2007 Yearbook

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Marcellin Champagnat

Founder, Marist Brothers

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Our Traditions

Edmund Burke said,
'Nobody made a greater mistake than they who did nothing because they could do only a little.'

Bunbury Catholic College has its foundations in Religious Orders who lived out this belief. I doubt that Catherine McAuley or Marcellin Champagnat would have had any idea that their love for the poor, the hope that they gave to the marginalised, would survive and grow to the extent that hundreds of years later, throughout the world, there would be schools founded in the tradition of the Mercy Sisters and Marist Brothers.

How do the lives of a man who lived in France in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, and a woman who lived in Ireland at the same time, have relevance to young people today? They provide role models in the way in which they lived their lives. Not because they were perfect, but because they modelled qualities to which we all might aspire. They made the love of Jesus visible through their actions.

During this year students have followed their example –assisting with the Red Cross Soup Van, donating to the Red Cross Blood Bank, fundraising for Caritas, an orphanage in Burma and CatholicCare; Making Hampers for the St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal, donating to the 'Give a Damn, Give a Can Appeal' and providing school materials for the Kuya Centre for Street Children in the Philippines and for a school in Pakistan.

Catherine and Marcellin never gave up hope despite tremendous opposition. They didn't make the mistake of doing nothing because they could only do a little. They believed that as individuals they could do something to change the world in which they lived.

I hope that BCC students, go out into the world with a belief that they can make a difference. That service projects are not just something that they do in their school years, but that faith in action becomes a part of their being. I hope that this is a lesson that the students learn from their participation in Service activities. That knowing that they have had fed even just one person through the soup van patrol or perhaps made the life of one elderly person more comfortable through the heat pack they made or brought a smile to a child who received a handmade toy this Christmas, brings with it the realisation that 'the little' is what makes all the difference.

Frederick Buechner said 'The life I touch for good or ill will touch another life, and that in turn another, until who knows where the trembling stops or in what far place my touch will be felt.'

The trembling which started nearly two hundred years ago with the loving touch of Catherine and Marcellin, continues to reverberate today, in places far from where it began, in the touch of students educated in the Marist and Mercy tradition. It is apt that the motto for our Christian Service Programme is 'Touching Hearts through justice, love and humility'.

The Cross which hangs in the new Performing Arts Centre, the work of Mr Rod Slater, is embedded with the emblems of the Marists and the Mercies. It is a powerful symbol of our mission - to make sure that the 'trembling' begun by the work of Catherine and Marcellin carries on.

Our Founders have left for us an enduring legacy of love by the way in which they lived their lives, and our mission as a College is to continue that legacy. If we are to be authentic to our mission, then what is really important in this College must be what is not tangible - the values that underpin it – justice, compassion, mercy, service. We can't just remember the dream of the Mercies and the Marists, we must work to achieve it.

Liturgies and Retreats

Liturgy has been a focal point of College life. We have gathered for key feasts of the Liturgical Year – Ash Wednesday, Holy Thursday and the Mass of the Oils – and for significant events in the College year – the Opening of the school year, Feast Day, Thanksgiving and Graduation. Liturgies have also been a focal point of year level Retreats. A group of Year Twelve students served the College as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Through their participation and reverence they gave witness to their faith.

Christian Service Learning

The College Christian Service programme was developed and expanded during 2007. Students at all year levels made a commitment to Christian Service, completing service hours and reflecting on the experiences. Upper-school students continued to donate blood to the Red Cross. Remar students and staff continued the important work of assisting with the Red Cross Soup Van. The Year Ten Retreat focused on Community Service and during November all Year Ten students participated in two full days of Community Service.

Religious Education

In Religious Education this year we consolidated the implementation of the Lower School Religious Education course using Outcomes and Levels in both programming and assessment. Staff and students have enjoyed the new approach which incorporates the opportunity to introduce innovative and creative methods as well as content that is chosen with the specific needs and abilities of the students in mind.

While the Beliefs and Values course continues in Upper School Religious Education, we are anticipating some minor organisational changes connected with the implementation of the Religion and Life Course in 2009. Consequently, all Year Eleven Religious Education

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classes will run over four periods a cycle in 2008. The new course offers the opportunity for several levels of application so it will be possible to tailor Religious Education programmes to suit the aptitudes and interests of Bunbury Catholic College students.

2007 saw the introduction of a Diocesan Religious Literacy Test for all Year Nine students. This is a new initiative by the Archdiocese which aims to ensure that students at Catholic schools learn the language and practices associated with our Church. Bunbury Catholic College students performed well in the test.

REMAR

REMAR, the Catholic Marist Youth movement, is an important part of College life. It encourages young people to find a relevant expression of their faith and to live this in their daily lives. A small group of Year Eleven students have participated in REMAR during the year, gathering for meetings and prayer and carrying out Christian Service Activities.

World Youth Day

Plans are underway for World Youth Day which will be celebrated in Sydney in July 2008. Thirteen students from the College will be attending the Marist International Youth Festival and the World Youth Day celebrations.

English

2007 has been a busy and successful year for the English Department. Staff continued to develop the English Course of Study in both Years Eleven and Twelve in order to fulfil the requirements of the Curriculum Council, whilst ensuring that the courses meet the needs of students. Work produced by Year Twelve students clearly demonstrated the way in which Course of Study encourages students to reflect more deeply on society and the issues that confront young people today.

'Students in the Spotlight' gave our Year Eight – Ten students the opportunity to display some of the fantastic work that they have produced during the year. Two of our senior students, Lisa Butcher and Michael Ayre, participated in the Rostrum Youth Speaking Competition. Both were true ambassadors for the College, holding their own against Perth schools. This is an area that we hope to develop further next year. Out of school hours the Department has continued its involvement with the South West English Teachers Association which offers opportunities for continued professional development, as well as valuable liaison with local schools.

Health and Physical Education

Staff were pleased with the high participation levels and enthusiasm from students in the area of Health and Physical Education. Not all students are athletic and as such the Physical Education programme is designed to include all students in the process of organising their own

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recreation which helps all students to be an important part of the lesson. The students are encouraged to organise teams, develop fixtures, maintain premiership tables, take on umpiring and resolve any other conflicts that arise. This culminated in their last term of lower school where the students made up their own game and then taught it to the rest of the class. It is rewarding to see the students take charge of their own and their peers' recreation so confidently, willingly and capably.

Information Technology

The Information Technology Team has been very active again this year, with the ever expanding demands of Information Technology being the driving force of change which is very evident in our school. We have increased the number of Interactive Whiteboards in classrooms, with this number more than doubling for the start of next year. These boards certainly increase learning opportunities for students, as well as allowing teachers to present material in a most effective manner for their teaching strategies. This year saw new technologies in the Science rooms, especially the new 'wet lab' which now houses very up-to-date technology. The Information Technology Department assisted the Media Studies classroom to be set up with editing labs as well as a mini theatre for viewing student work. We have also engaged 'wireless technology' to assist with internet access to the 'D' block classrooms. New computers have also been installed in the music section of the Performing Arts Centre.

Mathematics

In addition to the classroom programme students have had a number of opportunities to enrich their learning in Mathematics. Maths Week was a highlight of the year with the Maths staff hosting lunchtime quizzes, accompanied by Milo. Memories were stretched with the contest to find the person who could recite Pi to the greatest number of decimal places. The College hosted the Have Sum Maths competition and the Bunbury Catholic College team was successful with a first placing in the regional Lower Secondary competition. Students also achieved well in the Australian Mathematics Competition

Science

In addition to classroom learning in Science, students had the opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools – Science Competition. The students achieved very well; thirty-two students received Certificates of Credit and ten students received Distinctions. Adam Rowlandson, Year Ten, achieved a High Distinction with a score of 41/45. His score was better than or equal to that of 99% of Year Ten participants in WA. Emily Eakin was successful in obtaining a scholarship and a week of Science in action at UWA. Kaitlin Dubrawski has been selected to attend the 2008 National Science Youth Forum in Canberra in January 2008. Bunbury Catholic College took part in Western Australia's first Science and Engineering Challenge held in a regional area in Western Australia. The College was placed third out of seven competing in the South West Region and fourteenth out of forty-nine schools statewide.

Society and Environment

The Society and Environment Learning Area provides students every opportunity to learn and discover the essential knowledge of the major disciplines of Economics, Geography, History, Political and Legal Studies. To facilitate the development of key understandings and skills students participated in a wide variety of activities over the course of the year. The Year Eight students presented a moving Anzac Day ceremony and completed their History studies with Medieval Day held in Term Four. In Year Nine the students learned about law and government from Bunbury's local Member of Parliament, Mr Castrilli, by visiting the local Court House and participating in mock elections run by the Constitutional Centre.

Entering competitions and participating in student forums was an exciting avenue for the Year Ten students to broaden their understanding of society. The Harvey Rotary Club hosted the Model United Nations Assembly providing an excellent opportunity for our students to spend a weekend debating resolutions affecting the international community. The year culminated in a group of Year Ten students, Gerard Mazza, Samuel Wilson and Rowan Brady, winning the Regional Years Eight – Twelve Category of the Department of Consumer and Employment Protection 'Buy My Duck 2007' Competition. As a result of the team's success the College received $2000 to purchase resources.

The Arts

2007 was another big year for the Arts Department. In Term One the students and staff put together the Arts Extension Day, which culminated in the beautiful Holy Thursday ceremony. It was truly a multi-arts production with all five areas of the Arts represented- Visual Art, Media, Drama, Dance and Music. The new Performing Arts Centre saw Drama, Dance and Music classes moving to the new facility in early Term Two and the Arts students perform at the opening of the new centre in Term Three.

In the Dance arena, our students had enormous success, being declared the state winner of the Wakakirri Dance Competition and winning many awards. Students were given further opportunities to perform at the ACHPER Dance Festival and the College's Semester Dance Concerts, as well as at Masses and Assemblies throughout the year. Music has continued to grow at the College. Highlights have included the lunchtime concerts, the upper school music night "Sounds and Flavours", the Feast Day concert; introduction of Year Nine guitar classes, Children's Concert Tour; choir and the instrumental concert. Many College music students also had success at the Bunbury Eisteddfod and the

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Elevator Battle of the Bands competition.

2007 was our first year of Year Eleven and Twelve Media at the College, and in Term Two, a specialised Media classroom was created. Students wrote, performed, directed and filmed their own horror films, which were a huge success, as well as pitching game shows and action films. Visual Arts highlights for 2007 included the Art Camp and excursion to Perth in Term One, as well as having the works of several students accepted in the Iluka Visions exhibition, which showcases the best of student art from the South West. Year Eleven student Courtney Downes won the prestigious Iluka Prize of a two week internship at the Art Gallery of WA.

The 'Students in the Spotlight' exhibition in October was the culmination of the year's work in Visual Art, as well as allowing students from all other Learning Areas to exhibit their best work for the year. Highlights in Drama this year included the upper school trip to the Perth International Arts Festival; student performances at Bunbury Eisteddfod which won several awards; Year Nine One-Act Play Night; Year Ten Monologue Night; the Drama Tour to Sydney; performance workshops with director Andy King; Year Twelve productions '100' and 'Out of the Flying Pan'; the Original Productions Showcase in Term Three and the Upper School production of 'Romeo and Juliet'.

Technology and Enterprise

Technology and Enterprise covers the areas of Woodwork, Metalwork, Building & Construction, Home Economics and Business Studies. Students involved in these areas experience a very hands-on approach to their learning. Food Production students catered for a number of functions, the Early Childhood Studies students assisted at Childcare facilities around Bunbury and conducted their own playgroup. The Building & Construction students were heavily involved in paving and concreting around the Year Eight Oval, constructing workshop furniture, office furniture and seats on the Front Oval. Year Ten Accounting and Finance students conducted a very successful small business enterprise with funds raised being donated to the missions. The Learning Area was involved in the Year Ten Christian Service Learning programme, during which Year Ten students built two cubby houses, wooden toy trucks and designed labels for the toys.

Learning Centre

This year saw a number of changes in The Learning Centre. Mrs Sue Williams took over as Learning Centre Coordinator and the Centre gained another staff member bringing the total of teacher assistants up to six. A group of students took part in an additional course called 'Business Skills', taking on several business enterprises over the year including the making and selling of Mothers' Day Treat Boxes which were also exhibited in Perth. Another venture was producing a variety of morning tea experiences for the staff and the sale of these increased

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steadily. A group of students took part in a three day camp where they were required to plan and cook their meals for themselves. The camaraderie and cooperative skills between the students was impressive as was the variety of tasty well balanced meals.

In addition to catering for students with special needs the Learning Centre was also used as a venue for students who had missed out on assessments or who required certain texts read to them as part of their assessment. Those students lucky enough to be placed on the Mathletics Programme frequented the Learning Centre to avail themselves of the bank of computers, a quiet working environment and some individual attention. A homework club was operated from the Centre as an opportunity for students who were not confident of completing their work without assistance and they were assisted by a band of willing staff who were available to help explain tasks. It has been very gratifying to see the Centre put to use to cater for such a variety of needs.

Aboriginal Culture

The appointment of Mrs Sharon Cooke, as an Aboriginal Teacher Assistant has deeply enriched the cultural experiences at the College. Mrs Cooke has supported curriculum initiatives in Aboriginal culture and history. NAIDOC Week was a highlight of the College year. Bunbury Catholic College celebrated NAIDOC Week with a variety of activities. Author, Alf Taylor, and Artist-in-Residence, Graham Taylor, gave students an insight into Aboriginal culture and into the Stolen Generation. A focal point of the week was the Liturgy on Wednesday. Fr Jess Navarra and Pastor Len Wallam joined together to lead this Liturgy which focused on the theme, 'Fifty Years : Looking Forward and Looking Blak'. Other NAIDOC Week activities included Damper making, a Football Clinic and Didgeridoo making and playing and a Reconciliation Walk.

Year Eight

Year Eight students commenced 2007 and their Secondary Education with excitement, anxiety and trepidation. The College's 'Integrated Studies' programme ensured these students settled quickly allowing their talents to surface. Highlights include their enthusiastic participation during the Year Eight Camp in Busselton during Term One, the wonderful atmosphere they were able to generate at Medieval Day and their willingness to adopt leadership roles throughout the year. They have proved themselves to be a confident and creative group.

Year Nine

The Year Nine students had a very good year. For the first time the Year Nine group participated in a formal Christian Service Learning Programme. All students should be commended for their efforts in providing this service in their homes and to the College community. Another first for Year Nine students was participation in a two day retreat, with a focus on Sexuality. In August students took part in MSE9 Testing in English, Mathematics and Science. The students showed their prowess on the sporting field, doing extremely well in Netball, Soccer and Australian Rules Football competitions. Students who behaved well in class were given raffle tickets and rewarded at Year Assemblies. Congratulations to Hannah Wheeler and Luke Monks who won the semester draws.

Year Ten

Work experience has been reintroduced into the Year Ten programme this year and all Year Ten students were successfully placed in work experience for the last week of Term Two. The students also had a two day retreat in Term Three. One of these days focused on social justice. This was a lead in to the two days of Christian Service Learning in Term Four, during which the students had a choice of sixteen different activities through which they could help others and contribute to the community. After experiencing exams for the first time, the Year Ten students had a fantastic final day with an inter-House indoor beach volleyball competition.

Year Eleven

Overall Year Eleven students worked well and achieved sound academic results. A highlight of the year was participation in Outward Bound. Students accepted the challenge and participate in a positive spirit. Students were involved in Remar, sporting activities and the Youth Driver Development Programme. Year Eleven students have involved themselves actively in all aspects of College life. At the conclusion of the 2007 student leaders were elected and we look forward to their leadership role in 2008.

Year Twelve

The Class of 2007 started the year with the glitz and glamour of the College Ball, enjoying one of the most anticipated events of the year. The staff and students worked very hard and cooperatively to organise a successful evening at the Italian Club. The Year Twelve Retreat allowed students to explore their relationships with themselves, family, friends and God. It was a great success, helping each individual to grow in some way and enjoy the moments they shared together as a community. Year Twelve is an important year of study and it was pleasing to see that students who worked hard were rewarded with sound results. The student leaders are to be commended for their fine efforts and example to all students.

Bushrangers

Our Bushrangers have had another busy year. In first term they worked to propagate native seedlings in the shadehouse, marched for ANZAC Day and went canoeing on Wellington Dam. In second term the students all passed a Basic First Aid course and built bird boxes. They attended a regional camp at Margaret River

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where they went caving and did some rehabilitation work at Wharncliffe Mill. Third term started with their annual planting trip to Katanning, and in fourth term they went abseiling and rock climbing. Bushrangers finished the year with more canoeing, learning roll over and recovery exercises. Two of our senior cadets enjoyed a reward camp on the Leeuwin Sail Training ship. The cadet programme provides a great opportunity for students to get involved in some very practical and rewarding activities.

Sports

Once again the College can be very proud of the level of participation and the performances of the students who participated in inter-school sport this year. A highlight was the winning of the Australian Marist Cricket Carnival in December. From the competitions at the highest level, such as The Australian Marist Netball and Cricket tours, to the competitions that encourage students to 'have a go', such as SWISSA sport, the students at all levels have performed strongly.

We have had outstanding success once again in Netball making it to the finals in the South-west Netball League, winning the WA Marist Carnival, and being finalists in the South-west High Schools Cup and Aranmore Carnival. Football for our Junior team was also highly successful. After winning the Local Smarter than Smoking competition the boys then progressed into the State round in which they were finalists. Bunbury Catholic College were also third in the South-West Head of the River Rowing Regatta. The SWISSA Competition which comprised of Tennis, Basketball, Netball, Touch, Golf, Football and Soccer was again held after school on Wednesday and the College was well represented at both the Junior and Senior levels with mixed success.

Facilities

The College Performing Arts Centre was completed this year and was officially blessed and opened in September. This 'state of the art' facility includes a theatre, dance studio and music rooms. The students are very fortunate to have such a wonderful facility for learning and performance in the Performing Arts. At the end of the year we embarked on the process of renovating the Quadrangle in front of the C Block. The works include landscaping, paving, seating, planter boxes. External walls will also be rendered.

Thanks

The strong spirit of this community is nurtured by a wonderful sense of giving among its members. I would like to thank all those who have served the Bunbury Catholic College community this year. Thanks to Bishop Gerard Holohan for his support and to Fr Jess, our College Chaplain. I acknowledge the students leaders, particularly Head Girl, Annalise Blackwell and Head Boy, Lincoln Bertelli. I have appreciated their openness and commitment in fulfilling their leadership roles. Thanks

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to Mrs Debbie Easther and the College Board. The Board is visionary and hardworking in planning for the provision of facilities for both current and future students. Thanks to Mrs Pam Adlam and the Parents and Friends Association for their energy and dedication and to Mrs Leanne Depiazzi and the Art Extrordinaire Committee – their efforts in creating a wonderful community event, which is also a major fundraiser, are indeed extraordinary. Thanks to the parents and grandparents who support the College in so many ways – helping in the canteen, making cakes, supervising exams, assisting at the second-hand book shop and with the uniform shop and with many other activities.

The Bunbury Catholic College staff is very generous in its service to this community. They have needed patience and tenacity to keep abreast with educational change. In classrooms they promote excellence and also support those who find learning difficult. Staff work hard to ensure that students are given every opportunity to succeed, in whatever educational pathway they follow. I offer my gratitude to all staff – teachers, teacher assistants, technicians, office, grounds and canteen staff – for their hard work, positive outlook and support.

I express my sincere gratitude to the College Senior Management Team – Mr Mark Browning, Mrs Leonie Ridgway, Mrs Gobi May and Mr Brent Steere. I am deeply appreciative of their commitment and support. I have valued their openness, loyalty, their willingness to challenge and to deal with the hard issues. It has been a privilege for me to work with this team of people and I have learned a great deal from them.

When I began this year I would never have dreamed that my first year at Bunbury Catholic College would also be my last. Sometimes life takes us in surprising directions and while it is with a sense of excitement that I move onto to the position of foundation Principal of Ellenbrook Catholic College, this is also combined with a sense of sadness. It has been a wonderful experience to be part of this community if only for twelve months.

Alfred Tennyson wrote,
'I am a part of all that I have met' and I know that Bunbury Catholic College will always be a part of me. It has been a privilege to share this part of the journey with you.'

Mandy Connor
Principal

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As I sat contemplating what to say in this report, I started to think about what the school and the board has achieved over the year. As we are coming to the end of our current Capital Development plan, I started ticking off the completed items and was duly impressed with the financial status of the school. Then as I reflected further, it hit me. The achievements of the school are not the physical buildings or our bank balance, or the number of children on wait lists, wanting to attend our school.

Our greatest achievement is the community of Bunbury Catholic College. Our senior management, our administrative staff, our teachers and support staff, students and parents. Our physical achievements are wonderful, and yes they are important, but more importantly as we look back on the past year we need to recognize and celebrate the community of people that make this success happen.

There has been some uncertainty and challenges over the past year, but thanks to the hard work and commitment of the staff of the school at all levels, we continue to have a strong future.

There are many fantastic things that happen in our school over the year and I would like to acknowledge a few of these:

- The celebration of NAIDOC Week and the inclusion of Aboriginal studies in our school has enriched our school culture.
- The ongoing involvement in the SAL and Structured workplace learning, that has opened up more options for our students to explore careers.
- The ongoing success of our uniform shop managed so well by Julie Downs
- The ongoing success of the Art Extraordinaire.
- The completion and opening of Performing Arts Centre has been a great achievement, not only because of the quality of this new facility, but also because as a school, we were able to afford this new facility without any financial assistance.

The upgrading of the quadrangle, rendering of the Chapel and the original classrooms at the front of the school and the upgrading of power to the manual arts area which is currently in progress will almost see the end of our current Capital Planning Program.

Tom Hall has overseen all of this capital planning and has been committed to this school for the past 20 years. Thank you Tom for your commitment, wisdom and plain hard work that you have given so generously to our school. We will be indebted to you forever. But thankfully this is not a goodbye so I will thank you again for your ongoing support.

I would like to acknowledge the ongoing hard work of our Bursar, Mr Brent Steere. Brent and his staff keep us on track and I would like to recognize the extra support that he has given the Board and myself over the past year.

Strategic Planning will be high on our agenda as we move into 2008 and as we navigate the immanent introduction of year 7 to high school and the building of the second Catholic High school in Australind. The road ahead will be challenging, certainly interesting and I think, also very exciting. I believe that as a school community we have the skills and commitment to rise to this challenge.
I thank my fellow board members for their ongoing support of the school and I look forward to working with you as we plan the future development of the school.
Farewell to David Waycott, your wisdom will be sadly missed by the board.

We congratulate Mandy on her appointment as founding principal of Ellenbrook Catholic College. Thank you Mandy for your hard work throughout the year. I am sorry that we won't get the opportunity to continue working with you. We wish you all the best in your new appointment.

I would also like to welcome our new Principal, Ms Denise O'Meara. We look forward to getting to know you Denise and developing the future of our school with you.

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Mr Brent Steere (Secretary)

Parents & Friends' Report

It is with pleasure that I present this year's report on the endeavours and commitment of the Bunbury Catholic Parents & Friends. I would like to thank the Executive committee for their time and efforts over the past year, Mrs. Wendy McLean (vice president), Mrs. Ruth Hartnup (treasurer) and Mrs. Janet O'Hare (secretary). Thanks to our school board representative Mr. Neill Rowlandson who attends both Board and P&F meetings and keeps us up to date with Board Reports and also to Ms. Debbie Easther and the Board members for their continued support throughout the years.

The volunteer parents who were involved with fundraising events throughout the year I thank you all. Because of your interest and involvement within the school community the activities and projects during the year have achieved terrific success. The biggest annual fundraising event for Bunbury Catholic College is the Art Extraordinaire exhibition that has been running for over 25 years. This year again was another resounding success thanks to the hard work of Leanne Depiazzi and her committee and volunteers. Over $26 000 was raised, a fantastic result that is a reflection of the work involved and the popularity of the event in the wider South-West region.

The Canteen manager Mrs. Maria Travato has for many years provided nutritious and healthy lunches and snacks for our huge numbers of students. We thank Maria and appreciate her devotion and effort that she has tirelessly contributed to Bunbury Catholic College. To the band of merry helpers in the canteen thank you for offering to help on the roster system, we realise it isn't always easy to slot in a canteen roster amid increasingly busy lives and it is appreciated. Again I thank Ruth Hartnup both presently and ahead of time for her commitment as treasurer and coordinator of the second hand book store that is run in December. The amount of time and effort required by Ruth is above and beyond that of the usual volunteer and her endeavour does not go unnoticed. To Mrs. Julie Downs and staff in the uniform shop that keep our kids in uniform and to the many parents involved in supplying food and their presence at many BCC functions a huge thanks.

The College has had a new leader in Ms Mandy Connor appointed Principal at the commencement of 2007 after more than a decade with Mr. Ivan Banks, and she has provided support for the P& F during the year whilst learning the ropes of such a large school. However Ms Connor will be taking up a position later in 2008 at a new school and we will be sorry to see her go, just as we were all getting to know one another! Thanks to Mr. Mark Browning for his constant attendance, input and insight at our meetings!

Welcome to Ms. Denise O'Meara the newly appointed Principal of Bunbury Catholic College. We wish you well and the P&F look forward to working together for the benefit of our school. The success of fundraising has enabled the Parents and Friends to support a number of causes throughout the school. Major projects included:

- The fitting of stage curtains for the Performing arts centre and sound system for the music room at a cost of approximately $26,000.
- Sporting donations throughout the year to help offset some of the costs involved for BCC athletes for local and interstate sporting activities sports included netball, football and cricket.
- New equipment for the canteen - a larger oven.
- Funds to support the 'Parenting with the Brain in mind' workshop.
- Donation to assist with catering at the 'Students in the Spotlight 'exhibition.
- Donation for the 8CC graduation ceremony.

The P&F Bursary for 2007 was awarded to Miss Jayde Liesfield a student from St.Mary's Primary School, Bunbury. Congratulations Jayde, we hope the bursary will help towards the commencement of Year 8 at Bunbury Catholic College. Since the inception of four meetings a year in 2006 the attendance at the meetings is still poor. I thank the regulars who attended and hope next year will improve! With a parent base as large as ours it isa shame that more parents are not represented at the meetings. But we must be doing something right as they say 'Less Is more'. Over the years I have attended the last two P&F Federation of WA Inc. dinners and ACM's in Perth, attended the Mayors garden party and met with Mr. John Castrilli and other school P&F reps to discuss the Neighbourhood Watch program and school issues.

Finally, this is my last year on the Parents and Friends committee since 2003. I have enjoyed my time as vice president and president meeting new people, catching up with the ones I know and keeping in touch with the school community (somehow newsletters seem to go astrayll). I have had four children educated at the college since 1999 and they have enjoyed their friendships and valued their education that will and indeed has equipped them to tackle the outside world. So I bid farewell after 8 years at BCC and wish all students, staff and parents and friends well for the future,

Mrs Pam Adlam
- President, Parents & Friends Association

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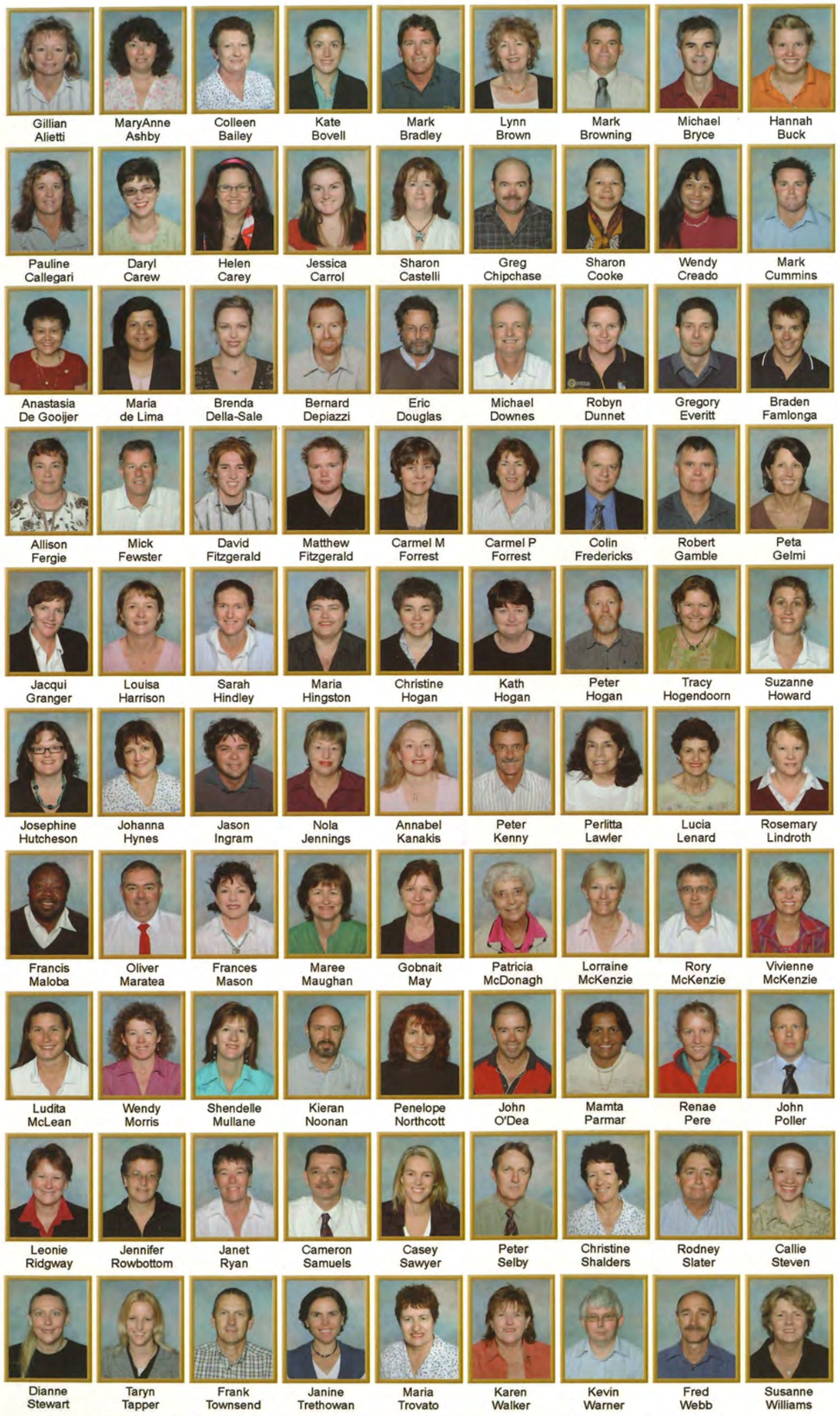

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Jacqui Granger, Louisa Harrison, Sarah Hindley, Maria Hingston, Christine Hogan, Kath Hogan, Peter Hogan, Tracy Hogendoorn, Suzanne Howard

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Francis Maloba, Oliver Maratea, Frances Mason, Maree Maughan, Gobnait May, Patricia McDonagh, Lorraine McKenzie, Rory McKenzie, Vivienne McKenzie

Ludita McLean, Wendy Morris, Shendelle Mullane, Kieran Noonan, Penelope Northcott, John O'Dea, Mamta Parmar, Renae Pere, John Poller

Leonie Ridgway, Jennifer Rowbottom, Janet Ryan, Cameron Samuels, Casey Sawyer, Peter Selby, Christine Shalders, Rodney Slater, Callie Steven

Dianne Stewart, Taryn Tapper, Frank Townsend, Janine Trethowan, Maria Trovato, Karen Walker, Kevin Warner, Fred Webb, Susanne Williams

Absent: Amalia Allen, Chris Barrenger, Sharon Burrows, Kelli Carlisle, Alison Conway, Graham Jones, Christine Maloba, David Norrish, Hannelize Reddin, Kelli Schmitt, Brenton Steere, Caroline Turner, Josephine Varndell, Tracy Ann Woodhouse.

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Mr Eric Douglas	Mr Jason Ingram	Mr John ODea	Ms Tracy Woodhouse

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WHAT A YEAR IT HAS BEEN!

We have been very busy all year, but have had an awesome time in the process. To start the term we partook in an action packed Swimming Carnival. Though not many people competed, all were enthusiastic and raring to go?

Then came the Year eight camp where we joined the students in rafting, swimming, hiking and played some fun-filled games. By the end of the week all were exhausted but glad to have been a part of the fun.

Our next event was the Cross Country. The few days prior to the major run the students were buzzing with excitement and it spread like a bushfire. Participation on the day was exceptional, and a good time was had by all.

Anzac Day – we all organised to meet on the morning of the annual ANZAC day parade, looking smart in our blazers with our perfect uniform and most reverent attitude to pay our sincerest respects to our fallen soldiers, men and women who died for our freedom. It was an amazing day and was great to see a large group of BCC students at the service.

Athletics day – who could forget it!?! Getting there especially early, our Superhero SRC helped a group of dedicated teachers set up and pack up at the end of the day. Being our last aths day we were all very enthusiastic hence the crazy costumes and team spirit was high. A great day with Marcellin the champs of the day.

Next on the agenda was the whole school social. Everyone was dressed up for a fantastic night. From Batman to John Howard we saw all kinds of different and amazing costumes. Overall, a smooth and enjoyable night.

By the end of the year we had raised enough money to go on a bit of a shopping spree, and so we did.

We bought a new wheelchair much to the joy of the school nurse. We have added a few new benches around the school, we funded the beautiful cross that Mr Slater made for the Performing Arts Centre and we even donated some money to designated charities.

Overall, the year has been fantastic, and we all feel very privileged to be able to give a little back to the school. We wish the SRC of 2008 all the best with their endeavours.

(AFTER ALL, THEY DO HAVE SOME PRETTY BIG SHOES TO FILL!!!)

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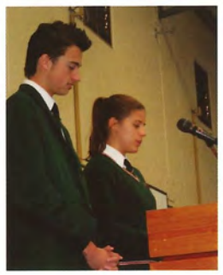

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Head Boy - Lincoln Bertelli
Head Girl - Analise Blackwell

Valentine

Kyle McCarthy / Nicole Depiazzi
Year 8 - Chris Laurino / Naomi Fimmano
Year 9 - Alysia Fogliani / Kyle Davis
Year 10 - Holly Kremer / Rhys Barrett
Year 11 - Erin Fee / Antony Russo

Marcellin

Graham Plint / Kelly Bastow
Year 8 - Aaron Offer / Stephanie Gann
Year 9 - Teagan Doyle / Jacob Poller
Year 10 - Bridie Fisher / Josh Barton
Year 11 - Kelli-Ann Beattie / Anthony Morabito

McAuley

Brenda Evans / Lewis Audino
Year 8 - Anthony Italiano / Rachel O'Donoghue
Year 9 - Kira Hough / Jarrad Gardiner
Year 10 - Bianca Fish / Jayden Prosser
Year 11 - Stephanie Pitcher / Owen Hingston

Xavier

Michael Ayre / Elly Busby
Year 8 - Nathaniel Risdon / Leticia Donovan
Year 9 - Hannah Wheeler / Raymond Giudici
Year 10 - Kaitlyn Burns / Tristan Ceccato
Year 11 - Courtney Downes / Patrick Smith

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2007 has been a significant year for Religious Education at the College. This year we expanded our involvement in Christian Service Learning, participated for the first time in the Bishops' Religious Literacy Testing and made substantial progress in preparing for the introduction of the Religion and Life course in Upper School in 2009.

Changes to requirements for graduation brought in by the Education Department saw the College initiate an extensive programme for Community Service with Year Ten students at the College. Over two days the students, supervised by staff and organised by Mark Browning, completed ten hours of voluntary work which is half of the requirement for graduation. The idea of Christian service to others has always been part of the Religious Education programme where students are taught about Christ's call for us to serve one another in the spirit of Christian brotherhood. Catholic schools will continue to emphasise the Gospel message about service while implementing Department of Education graduation requirements. It was wonderful to see how willingly the students engaged in the activities and how fulfilling they found the experience. Their written reflections, the format for which was prepared by Jo Hutcheson, show both a strong commitment to service and a developing understanding of the Gospel message of compassion and inclusivity.

This year Catholic Education introduced The Bishops' Religious Literacy Test for Year Nine students. The test was designed to measure the students' knowledge and understanding of the beliefs, practices, teachings and language of the Catholic Church. The students worked very hard to revise information learned in Primary school, in Year Eight and Nine and at home. The school performed well in the test achieving a mean score that was six points above the state mean. This test will continue in future years and is a useful diagnostic tool for us in preparing programmes for teaching Religious Education at the College.

Bunbury Catholic College students are offered opportunities to participate in prayer and liturgy both as part of campus ministry events or in homeroom and classes. Co-ordinated by Josephine Hutcheson, students attend whole-school, class, Year Group, Feast Day and Retreat Masses that invite them to participate in the Liturgy in ways that are meaningful and spiritually rewarding. The opportunities offered provide ample scope for students to pray using their particular talents. Students may join the choir, be readers, perform liturgical dance or become Eucharistic Ministers. Bunbury Catholic College students show a wonderful capacity to pray for those in need as witnessed by their participation in a special Mass in Term Three for members of the community who are ill or who have died .

Students at BCC are a particularly generous group of people and, consequently, it has been a very pleasant experience to provide them with the opportunity to exercise that generosity through collecting money for

the Missions, giving blood through the Red Cross, helping relatives with routine daily tasks and collecting food, toys and clothing for the St Vincent De Paul Society. Through the efforts of people like Josephine Hutcheson and Carmel Forrest students are learning that Christians are called to live by the gospel values of love and justice. Particular mention needs to be made of the BCC Young Vinnies group, which was enthusiastically supported by the students and ably led by staff. Similarly, the Remar group of students who have worked with Jo Hutcheson and Wendy Creado and Fred Webb have also been very pro-active in the community.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with staff and students in 2007. I look forward to 2008 with a great deal of confidence, knowing that BCC allows Religious Education to maintain a central place in the life of the community, we are blessed with an enthusiastic Religious Education staff, and students display a very positive attitude towards the Christian values embedded in the College ethos.

Mrs Gobi May
Head of Religious Education

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It has been a wonderfully busy year of Liturgies, Retreats and Christian Service Learning in the College this year. The Ministry program has reflected the diversity and rich opportunities available to the student body. The students at the College are always so enthusiastic when it comes to reading, serving, dancing, singing or playing at a Mass, donating blood, opening the Chapel or distributing the Eucharist. It has never been a challenge to get students to participate in the many events that I coordinate and this is testament to the students and families we have the privilege of teaching at the College.

In Term 1 we celebrated the Year 8 Welcome Mass, the Opening Mass in the College Sports Centre where we commissioned the new Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Ash Wednesday Liturgies of the Word in Homerooms and a Holy Thursday Mass in the College Hall. Term 2 started with Year 12 Retreats at Serpentine, Baldivis, Mornington Adventure Camp in Harvey and Boyup Brook, a Staff Mass, Year 8 Christian Service Learning, Year 9 Religious Education class Masses as well as some very brave Year 12's who felt 'called' to donate blood. We saw almost seventy students donate blood in 2007, coming equal third of all secondary schools who donate blood in Western Australia.

Term 3 saw the Year 9 Retreat, the College Feast Day Mass, both Year 10 and Year 9 Retreats and Year 10 Religious Education class Masses. Term 4 featured the Year 8 Retreat, a whole school Thanksgiving Mass and Year 12 Graduation Prayer Liturgy. We conclude the year with a Year 8 Mass with a theme of 'tolerance'. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the readers, dancers, servers, singers, musicians and chair setting-up people for their efforts in making all the great Liturgies we have had happen this year.

The 'E.M.E's' are a group of Year 12 students who were willing to stand in front of their peers and the College community as a whole and proclaim their faith as young Christians. These students have been instrumental to my role in helping to provide the College community with relevant Liturgical experiences and celebrations whether they were setting up the Chapel for a Mass or reconciliation, distributing the Eucharist at Masses for up to 1000 people or being rostered on to open the Chapel each morning. I would like to thank them for their efforts this year and I hope they continue in this role in their Parish communities as a result of their experiences in the College this year.

Julia Atkinson
Rebecca Bailey
Amy Barningham
Kelly Bastow
Analise Blackwell
Brenda Evans
Jenna Gilmour
Louise Harnett
Daniel MacNish
Florence Parsons
Graham Plint
Tegan Reilly
Amanda Voak

We recently trained 9 students in the role of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for 2008 and I look forward to working with them in our efforts to provide meaningful liturgies for the College over the next twelve months.

Natasha Carbone
Anissa De Lima
Lisa Ip
Rodwell Kahango
Emily Laurino
Daniel Nixon
Catherine Stevens
Ayla Wright
Hayley Palumbo

I would like to thank Father Jess Navarra our College Chaplain to the College community this past year. Thanks also to the Pastoral Assistant; Mrs. Sue Howard for her work with me this year in my role. She is a wonderful asset to me in my role, well-organized, eager and always ready with a smile or good advice.

I look forward to the challenges 2008 will hold and the students and staff that I will be blessed to work with.

Ms Josephine Hutcheson
Campus Ministry Co-coordinator

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In many of the classrooms around the College, there is a poster of St Marcellin Champagnat with his sleeves rolled up ready for work with a knowing and almost eager smile on his face. I have seen this man many times in the Remar Rowers of BCC over the past year; chatting about the days activities with local homeless people as they wait for soup to be served from the Red Cross Soup Van on a cold and rainy Sunday night or offering to give a cuddle to an upset small child as their mother also waits in line for soup from the soup van. Remar has been fantastically rewarding for the students, families and staff associated with it once again this year.

The ministry element of Remar plays a vital role in the program in 'keeping it real' and giving our students an insight into local needs for those who aren't as fortunate as themselves. I have witnessed the BCC students who choose to be a part of Remar to have grown to be richer, more giving and sincere and better for their experiences. The combined camps with Newman College and other Colleges nation-wide who offer Remar has helped form many unique relationships with other students, broadening the experience even further.

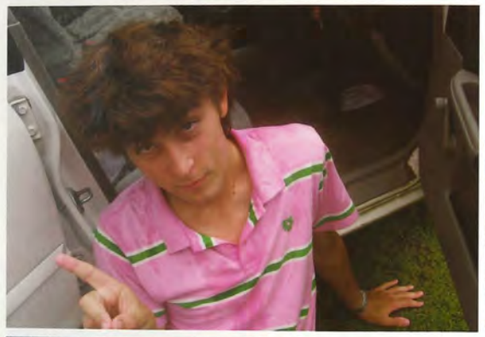
I would like to thank Miss Wendy Creado as the Blue Helm, for her dedication and sacrifice this year. Miss Creado left us as she headed off to live in Karratha as Mrs Creado-Williams. Mr Fred Webb has taken on the group of Blues as helmsperson as they head into Gold and their final year of Remar at the College. The group heads off to Jarrahdale in late January 2008 for their Gold Embarkation Camp with Newman College. The group is very dedicated to completing their Remar journey and is busy saving up to head to Sydney in July for the International Marist Festival and World Youth Day as a group.

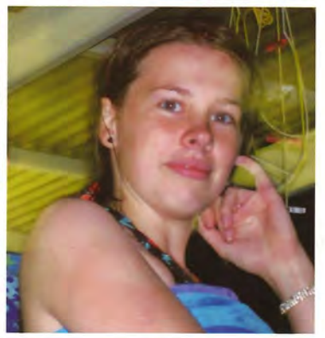
2008 will see Remar in its final year at the College. I would like to thank all Helmspeople over the past five years for their enormous dedication and sacrifice, to Mr Ivan Banks, Mr Declan Tanham and Mrs Leonie Ridgway for their undying support with the varied Remar commitments both financial, physical and emotional support for staff involved with Remar over the years. It has certainly been one of the most impressive and rewarding groups or organizations that I have had the pleasure of being associated with and I hope that all the good that Remar has achieved in terms of student spirituality can live on in the College. Remar has been a much loved part of the College for over 100 students.

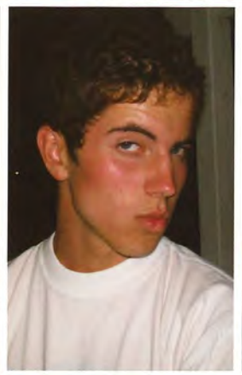
Blue Rowers (Year 11's)

Shelby O'Dea
Olivia Zoetelief
Louise Banks
Ben Durrell
Matthew Befumo
Mark Mason
Shevaun O'Callaghan
Jaxon Waterhouse
Hayley Palumbo
Rebekah Donald*
Owen Hingston*
Emily Lloyd*
Ashleigh Plaskett*
Catherine Stevens*

(* denotes students continuing with Remar in 2008)







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Year Eight Easter Project

Our Year Eight students participated in the 'For the Risen Christ Easter Project'. This was an opportunity to help poor children with their education. These children are living and studying in impoverished and marginalized overseas communities where our Catholic missionaries live and work. In preparing and sending educational gift parcels to children struggling to afford their education, our students at BCC will be giving tremendous hope to poor children in a very tangible way as well as reinforcing the work of the our missionaries in spreading the message of Resurrection to all. Students donated educational supplies for Catholic missions worldwide and they sent four packages, one each to Pakistan, Zambia, Philippines and India. The following letter was received from the Sisters of Saint John of God, Pakistan:

'Greetings from Pakistan and thank you sincerely for your gift received of supplies for our poor school children. The contents were gladly received by the children of a very poor school. All the coloured pencils etc. will give joy to so many of these children who really enjoy drawing and colouring. The effort of your school in thinking of children who have such poor facilities for study deserves real commendation, hard for Children who have such comfortable study facilities to realise the plight of so many who don't have these blessings. As you know or may not know the majority of the population in Pakistan is illiterate and there is a big effort going on to promote education. With a growing population of 162 million, 60% of whom live in rural areas, and having the youngest population in Asia, this is some challenge. We do our little to contribute to this great need. Once again thank you for your goodness and may your ministry continue to spread Christian values in society and our world. With deep appreciation and the assurance of our prayer.'

Sister Michelle McHale for the Sisters of St John of God, Pakistan'.

Mr Mark Cummins

Project Compassion: Homeroom Lenten Mission Fundraising

It was with great excitement that Bunbury Catholic College students presented a cheque for $3,500 to Mr. Ray Lowe; Diocesan Director of Caritas. Over first term at the College, students and staff have given money, shared lunches, exchanged chocolate hearts on Valentine's Day, had car washes and many other activities all in an effort to give to those less fortunate than ourselves. Ms Helen Carey's Year 12 Homeroom group managed to raise over $300, an outstanding effort.

Australia-West Papua Association

The following is an extract from a letter Ms Connor received in appreciation of donations in support of a West Papuan student:

"The Australia West Papua Association WA wish to thank your College for its generous donation to assist us with our support of Mambri Kapisa from Jayapura, West Papua. Mambri is in Perth now and enrolled in Aranmore Intensive Language Centre to start his studies. We have organised a homestay and gradually dealing with the details that need to be considered. Your donation will make these tasks easier. Thanks from all the AWPA WA members and supporters."

Mambri is the brother of Melania in Year Twelve. He is studying in Perth with the support of AWPA WA.

World Vision 40 Hour Famine August

56 students participated this year and managed to raise $5,875.75. All who participated in the 40 Hour Famine this year should be proud of their initiative and drive. They are a very tangible testament to our College motto to live justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with those less fortunate than ourselves. I am sure that the money raised will make a huge difference to the lives of the poorest living in Laos, the focus country for World Vision in 2007. As a College, we have managed to raise over $5,500. Special mention should go to students: Jessica Akl, Rebecca Bailey, Daniel Chegwidden, Kiara Damiani, Linda Do, Dannii-Elle Goff, Erin Pratt, Monica Raju, Megan Smith and Shauna Upton who raised between $200 and $550 each. A remarkable achievement indeed.

Ms Josephine Hutcheson - Ministry Coordinator

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Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day was a particularly successful day with proceeds going to the Cancer Council. My Year Nine Science class were responsible for selling daffodils, chocodils, badges, pens etc. and through their efforts they raised over $700, which when added to the Staff Morning Tea made our total of $1060.

Mrs Wendy Morris

Reach Project

Last year our school raised $900 towards the Reach Mali Project. The Reach program aims to raise the self esteem and confidence of young people in our community. It has assisted several thousand young people in a range of activities through courses, camps, seminars and major events. Reach and the communities in Mali were extremely thankful for our schools generosity in helping them make a difference in their community.

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A Valentine's day focus on Project Compassion

Bunbury Catholic College students were busy on Valentine's day sending messages and chocolates to their friends all in the name of raising money for a good cause. Over $200 was raised through an initiative which saw students make and compile Valentine's Day cards and chocolates. More than 50 year 10 students helped to put together cards and chocolates which they then sent to students within the School. Orders were taken and the gifts delivered on Valentine's Day morning. According to Ms Frances Mason who coordinated the activities, "we had increased interest in the cards and chocolates this year and as a result raised over $200 for Project Compassion.

This is the third year in a row that we have done this and the kids see it as a great way to have some fun and recognise some special friendships whilst at the same time raising money for a worthy cause. Because it is proving to be so popular I believe it will now become a regular fundraising event." The Valentine's Day initiative was just one of a large number of homeroom activities throughout the school that raised money for Project Compassion. In one homeroom, students donated a large bag of lollies of their choice and made up bags of mixed lollies which they sold for $1.00 each at Friday lunchtime. The students sold over 70 bags of mixed lollies, therefore making in excess of $70, and sold out in 10 minutes. Year 8's were their best customer!

Vinnies Christmas Appeal

We sincerely thank all students and families for their kind donations to the Vinnies Annual Christmas Appeal. Each year the Vinnies have more people asking them for help with Christmas gifts for their children or food for a festive Christmas meal. Your generosity is a wonderful way of supporting the work of these volunteers and building the true spirit of Christmas.

Mrs Carmel M Forrest

Feast Day Fundraising

This year on the College Feast Day, each Homeroom had a stall. The College raised over $4000 and the money raised from these stalls has been donated to the Sisters of Mercy 'Mercy Works' and the Marist Brothers' 'Marist Solidarity Australia', and the Bunbury and Leschenault St Vincent de Paul Societies. We are really thrilled to be able to continue to donate to missions both locally and internationally.

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Year 8 retreat

On our Retreat all the year 8's learnt about how there is a hero within us. A group called Youth Impact ran the retreat. We learnt how we all could be a hero and that real heroes are not people that can fly and burn down buildings with their eyes, instead real heroes are people that make life worth living and help us live like our parents. After doing a bit about heroes and God, we played a few activities, which I found quite fun such as one where we had to pop others peoples balloons without getting your own popped. Then we had lunch it was all right except that the pizza we had was only vegetarian or Hawaiian and no meat lovers but at least we could eat as much as we wanted. After lunch, we played a few activities and then we had a small church sermon. After the whole thing, I and a few other people were selected to clean up. Once we packed up the chairs, almost everyone ran away leaving Me, Josh Walker and Chris Laurino. We still had sweeping to do when Chris and I decided to run away as well. Just before we were about to join the big group we realised we could get lollies for helping clean up so we ran back in pretending to have been there the whole time. Retreat was fun because we got lollies and had a whole day off school.

By Shaun Wong

The Year Eight Retreat

The year eights of 2007 went to retreat at the boating club on the 19th of October, in term 4. The topic was "The Hero Within". This topic related to everyone as we all have a hero that we admire, look up to and respect.

Games were played to share experiences and emotions, and to bond with one another. We were put in groups but we all had the same topic and we were able to share experiences. We played a game where we could yell and scream as loud as we could while the character on the screen before us did an action. This let out all our frustration and emotions.

The after feeling was a great feeling, it was the feeling a hero would have once he had done a good deed. Over all, we all had a great time, and the day taught us that a hero doesn't have to wear a cape, or have super powers, it is someone that is special to you and you look up to them.

By Ellise Laventure

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Year 9 Retreat

After last year's retreat, we were really excited to go on retreat this year which was going to be for two days. We were all happy to have two days off school but when we found out what we were going to be learning, we started to doubt if we would actually have fun. This year's retreat was going to be about.., sexuality.

We were separated into two groups – boys and girls – and were taken to different places. On the first day, the girls went to the Eaton Scout Hall and the boys went to the Gelorup Community Hall and on the second day we switched places so the girls went to Gelorup and the boys went to Eaton. In Eaton, our teachers had organised different activities for us and we had a talk from the Young Mum's group telling us about the consequences of sex and that it is not the end of the world if you do get pregnant. We had a quiz about general knowledge to do, played games, had time to reflect and had Subway for lunch (which I know was a highlight for some).

In Gelorup, a group from Perth called Youth Mission came down and organised some fun activities for us to do. We acted in plays, played games, also had some time to reflect and had pizza for lunch (which was interesting as everyone wanted a Hawaiian pizza but didn't end up getting one – my group did though!). Overall it was surprisingly enjoyable and even most of the guys had fun. Thank you to all the teachers who helped organise the retreat – it was really fun.

By: Jessica Aki

Year 10 retreat

The year ten's attended their retreat for two day's. During these two days the boys and girls were separated to two different venues, the Kombana Bay Sailing Club and the Eaton Hall.

At the Kombana Bay Sailing Club we learnt about sexuality from the guest speakers from Perth. This provided an educating day including many different games and activities for the students.

Eaton Community Hall was organised by the Bunbury Catholic College staff provided a game called 'Star Power'. This game involved three groups each of different power and status. Eventually a super group was formed they were able to create any rule that they wanted to and so to were the rest of the students. This game taught us about how unfair society can be through 'social justice' and how we can deal with it.

These two days were enjoyed by most students and taught us something either sexuality of social justice.

Nicola Stevenson

Retreats

Faith, Life, Culture

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Year 12 Retreat

The 2007 Year Twelve Retreat was scattered over four locations-Baldivis, Busselton, Harvey and Serpentine-and started off with an excited bunch of students piling onto the buses. After four years of being told how great retreat is, from past students and siblings, finally it was our turn to experience the wonder and excitement that is Year Twelve Retreat.

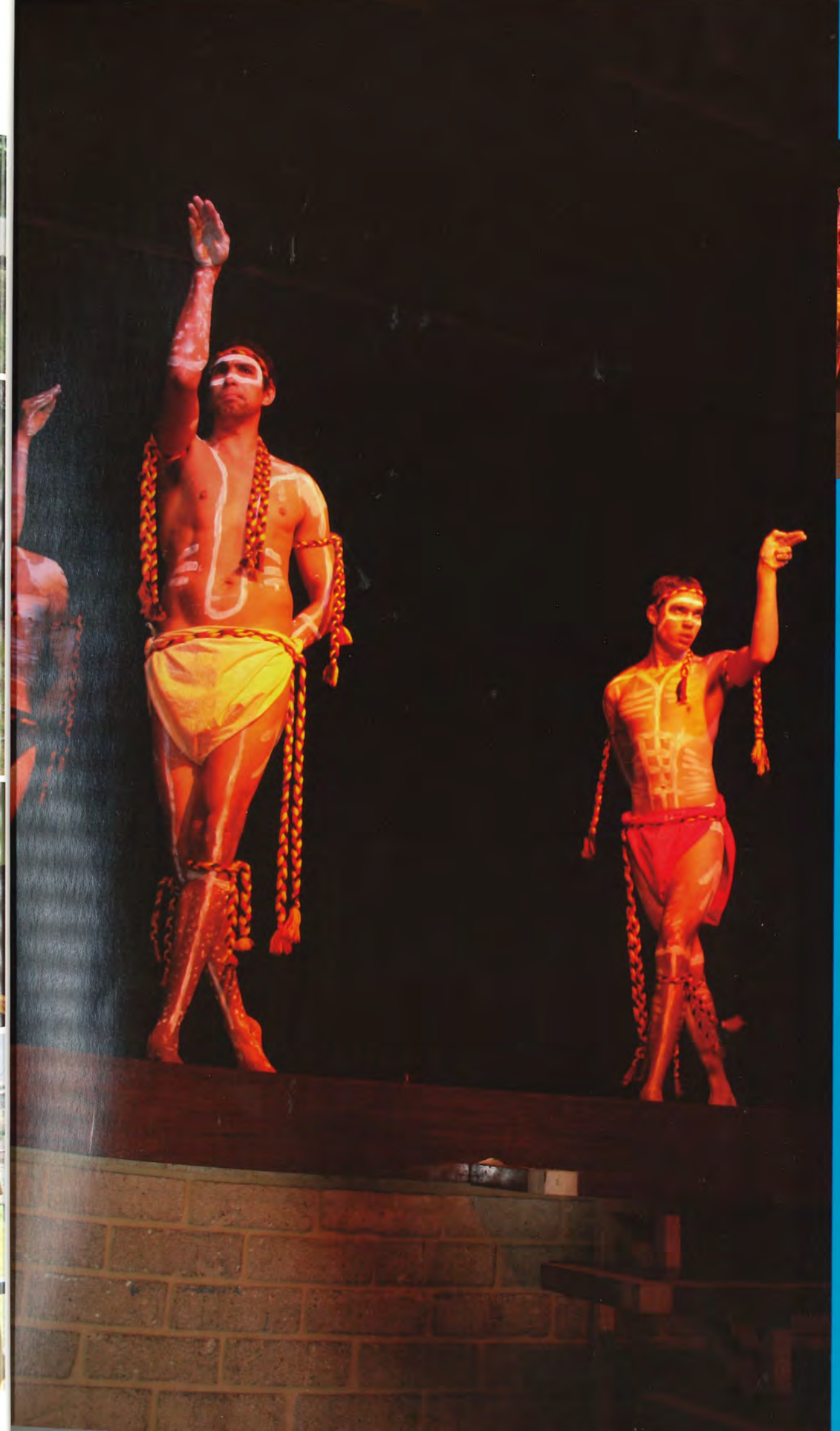
The first day was spent exploring our relationship with none other than ... ourselves!! We split up into our small groups and got to know each other by filling out a questionnaire. Other activities included talking about our influences both positive and negative and setting some goals for our future. A highlight of many peoples night was the "Mini Olympics", in which we competed in many fun events in our small groups.

After a good nights sleep, we awoke on day two to learn that the theme would be our relationship with our family and friends. The healing liturgy at night was an experience that many will not forget, as was the chance to sculpt out of clay our own personal image of God. The variety of images was proof of how God means a different thing to everybody and was an enlightening experience.

This led on to Day Three, in which we explored our relationship with God. We had a lot of fun painting each other's faces, trying to represent the person with the symbols we painted. Receiving our letters from our parents was also a highlight. That night, the Mass was a special time for many. By preparing it ourselves it became "Our Mass", and made the night extremely memorable for all.

Before we knew it, it was Day Four and time to head home, but not before getting a chance for more reflection and goal setting. Piling back on the bus we certainly were a content lot as we had learnt so much over the past four days.

An experience like Year 12 Retreat is unforgettable, and would not be possible without the hard work and dedication of all the staff involved-in particular Ms Hutcheson and Mr Downes. To all staff involved thankyou so much! I'm sure the memories we gained and lessons we have learnt will stay with us for life.



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Mother's Day

Year 8 Mother's Day Morning Tea

We thank God for Mothers and ask Gods blessings on them.

Father's Day

Year 8 Father's Day Breakfast

We celebrate and thank God for our Fathers.

Medieval Day

Medieval Day was Great Fun

We arrived to start of the day at Yr 8 Assembly where we did a fashion parade. We then got divided into homeroom groups and either sent to the year 10 oval to take part in Medieval Games or sent to the year 8 oval to take part in games with a group called Medieval Mayhem.

It was great fun and everyone participated.

After we finished doing the Medieval games we all came in and had recess. We then swapped to the other games which in my case I went to Medieval Mayhem. In Medieval Mayhem we first watched some fighting then looked at medieval armour. About 15 minutes later we went to the stocks and the archery.

Once we had finished at Medieval Mayhem we went for lunch. For lunch we had chicken, different types of salad, bread roles and dessert which consisted of biscuits, slices and cake. The food was really nice. We had a 45 minute lunch break and then went back to homeroom and we just stayed and talked with our friends until the bell went.

Over all medieval day was well organised and a great day!!

By Amelia Radford Yr 8

Medieval Day

Medieval day was fun and I enjoyed the entire day, in the morning we gathered in the usual place and we had a fashion parade of our costumes and they were all very good, then the fun began. One group went to one oval and the other group went to the other. On one oval there was a group from Perth called Medieval Mayhem. who wore real armour. At the beginning we saw them have a big fight with real swords and a pole axe (all weapons were blunt) and then they put us to work on some activities. One was archery, we shot rubber arrows at a man wearing armour. Then there was a station were we got to put on armour and there were the stocks.

On the other oval were various games like apple bobbing, tug of war, sack races and egg and spoon races after that we had the banquet there was lots of food and the desserts were very nice thanks whoever made the chocolate caramel slice thing. And then we basically ran around until home time. We should do this in year nine next year all we need is a new theme for a new year.

Chris Seymour

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We started our fun filled night without the dancing until two people plucked up the courage to dance and we all followed suit. Our night consisted of great dance music, a couple of slow dances and all-round fun!

Unfortunately before we knew it, it was all over. Nathan, Dommo and Carli were a few to win some great prizes and not too many people had to be dragged onto the dance floor.

We all loved the Year Nine Social. Many thanks to the parents, teachers and the netballers who all helped out to make the night such a success.

Chyna Williamson (9P) &
Alana Hammond (9P)

Christian Service Learning

I did the backyard blitz with the nuns, it was good because they gave us tons of food. It was fun
Trass

I did the cubby house building for the Christian service learning. I really liked working with different people on one project.
Ben Prowse

I did the painting the bus sheds and general maintenance at BCC. We were mostly gardening, pulling out weeds, raking and shovelling mulch into the gardens. It was hard work but I think that we made a difference to the school, as we got a lot of comments on how good the gardens look.
Jesse McDonald

I did the Lighting and Sound Maintenance. We had to do general maintenance on the lighting equipment in the PAC (performing arts centre) and it was fun because we got to listen to music while we worked.
Alex Dubrawski

I did the mural painting over the two days. It was an enjoyable experience and we were able to present the murals as a panorama of Bunbury to Ocean Star, an elderly home. It was a good feeling to give something away to people who need it more than we do.
Erienne Lette

For Christian Service Learning, I was helping to make Christmas cards for people affected by alcohol and drugs. Making the cards was incredibly fun and I really enjoyed it, while also helping the less fortunate people of Bunbury.
Judit

For Christian Service Learning, I helped to decorate bags for people affected by drugs and alcohol. We got covered in paint and sticky tape, but it was great fun!
Candy

BOOK NOW!...FOR A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME...and BOOKS

Release your Riley? Where did all those pink rats around the school come from? Riley the Rat was this year's logo for the Children's Book Week theme of READiscover. Our library display of old family treasures was based on this year's Picture Book winner "The Arrival" by Shaun Tan, which features the journey of immigrants leaving their old way of life to pursue new horizons. Mrs Brown and Mrs Castelli excelled themselves once again with their display.

A competition in which staff contributed childhood photos and their favourite book titles, created a wall of book journeys and a constant cry of "That has to be Mr/Mrs/Ms..... Who are these people? Two of our students -Breanne Ashby(Yr 8) and Gerard Mazza (Yr 10)- represented BCC at a community breakfast to celebrate Book Week, and presented well prepared book reviews to an audience of media personalities, teachers, librarians and parents.

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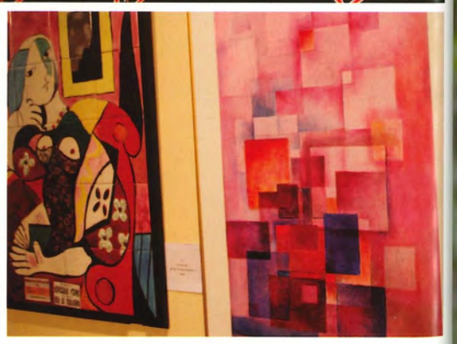
Our new Performing Arts Centre

The new state of the art $2.6 million Performing Arts Centre at Bunbury Catholic College was officially blessed and opened in September 2007.

The Centre was blessed by the Most Reverend Gerard Holohan, Bishop of Bunbury and officially opened by Ms Mary Retel, Deputy Director of Catholic Education. The opening featured music, drama and dance which showcased the talents of the BCC students.

A number of dignitaries attended included past Principals Mr Ivan Banks and Mr Val Murphy.

The two- storey facility features a big drama space, dance studio with retractable seating for 200 people, a band room and green room along with four practice rooms.



Art Extraordinaire a great success

Art Extraordinaire was a big hit once again this year. With a full house on Friday night for the opening and a constant stream of people during the weekend viewing and buying art, the Parents and Friends were able to raise over $20 000 and have a lot of fun whilst doing it!

The opening on Friday night gave us all a chance to meet guest speaker, Terry Cousins, whose art has inspired many of us for years. The auction pieces were hugely popular with much heated bidding taking place which was fabulous to see.

Art Extraordinaire chairperson, Leanne Depiazzzi took over the reins from a retiring Paul Fogliani and was delighted with the continuing success of the event. " Art Extraordinaire continues to grow in stature as one of the highlights on the art calender of the Southwest. It is a great opportunity to view and purchase some quality art, catch up with the school community over a glass of wine and at the same time raise funds for the school. I would like to thank my hard working committee for their dedication and work over the year and the many volunteers on the weekend that ensure Art Extraordinaire's continued success."

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New Zealand Ski Trip

New Zealand, home of Frodo and the ring and our home for 12 fantastic days. 52 kids, 5 teachers and 1 parent from BCC were lucky enough to be involved in the trip of a lifetime, a trip I'm sure many of us will never forget.

Leaving for NZ on Monday July 9, we arrived at our destination, Wanaka, on Tuesday in time to hire our gear and get used to the sub zero temperatures. We had 5 days of skiing and snowboarding at Cadrona and Treble cone and apart from Geoff, Taliha, Sarah, Liam, Grady, who were all taken to the medical centre (or had HUGE or little stacks Rachel & Shelby), the rest of us escaped with only sore backsides and a couple of bruises. The views were breathtaking and the skiing itself was an experience we will never forget.

After leaving Wanaka we made for an adventure packed Queenstown for 5 days chockers full of activities. We bungy-jumped, shopped, jetboated, rafted, shopped some more, luged, rode gondolas, played minigolfed, had mocktails at the minus 5 ice bar, ice skated, took great photos and after some more shopping it was sadly time to leave.

After a fantastic 12 days we were left exhilarated, tired and hungry for more all at the same time. A big thanks to Jonesy and Macca for their unceasing organization and thanks to Mr. O'Dea, Miss Dunnet, Mr Poller and Dazza for keeping us out of trouble. Look forward to 2009 because it is a trip we will never forget and something more than worthwhile doing.

Jade Pescud and Patrick Smith

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Year 10's at the Step to the Future YOUTH Forum

On the 22nd of August the 18 student representatives of Year 10 ventured out to the Bunbury Entertainment Centre for a day of inspiration and encouragement from speakers. The students took the opportunity to take part in a national youth programme entitled "Step to the Future". The year 10's learnt to believe in themselves and how to look for the positives in their lives.

The speakers involved were Erie Bailey — former NBA star who was told he would not live past 17 and was an orphan and couldn't read until he self taught himself at 14, Shelly Taylor Smith — 15 world records in marathon swimming (13 still stand), Amondo Hurley and Brett Murray. Seven year 10's were on the student committee who helped organise this wonderful day and had to also speak in front of the 600 plus audience. Congratulations to Gerad Mazza, Nicola Stevenson, Kathleen and Stephanie Waycott and Alex and Josh Dubrawski and Josh Barton for representing Bunbury Catholic College on this committee.

We also had a special treat from Michael Busby who was a finalist in Step Stars — singing "How to Save a Life" by the Fray, to 600 students from all around the high schools in the South West Region.

The day was a success, with many students leaving the centre with positive attitudes on student leadership. Highlights included a live Channel 7 news update from the Bunbury Entertainment Centre. All in all, the year 10 leaders enjoyed the day and would take up the opportunity to attend the conference again.

Year 10 SRC and House Leaders

CREATIVE WRITING COURSE

Nine of us attended a creative writing course hosted by the Fremantle Children's Literature Centre, featuring guest writer James Moloney. As most of us who attended the course either had studied one of James Moloney's novels for English, or are about to this year, he was a very relevant (not to mention interesting) author to learn from. About eighty students from schools in the South-West (some even as far as Boyup Brook) attended the course, which was held at Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School.

James opened the day by telling us a bit about himself, his books, and some of the amusing techniques he uses to create ideas for his novels. We then focused on characterisation within novels and started to create our own characters from scratch. Over the course of the day, we continued developing our characters and started to write the introductions to what will be our own stories (to be published by the Centre at the end of the year). James also helped us with some handy hints, like 'showing' the reader, not 'telling', and by dropping clues in the early stages of the intro to grab the reader's attention.

There will be two more sessions over the course of the year, with different Australian writers hosting each day. I encourage anyone who is interested not in just English, but any form of creative writing, to find out more information on next year's course (as it is expected that fantasy writer Isobelle Carmody will feature in next year's program). The day was an excellent opportunity to hone our writing skills and to learn from a great Australian writer. It is great that students from Bunbury have the chance to attend such a course. Thanks to Ms Mullane for coming with us on the day.

Elizabeth Mason - Year Ten

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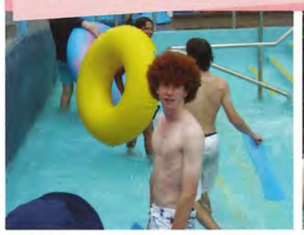
Adventure World

Year 12 Physics studied the pros and cons of movement at Adventure world! The day provided an enjoyable way to end their course and was relevant to the Movement Topic of the syllabus. They studied the Physics of playground equipment and rides. Forces, energy and motion.



Wellington Mills

On the 29th October Mr Samuels Society and Environment class went on an excursion to the Wellington Mills Discovery Centre in Ferguson Valley. To start the day we filled in some questions with maps that were supplied. During the day we had lots of activities to do such as measuring the PH level of the soil, tried to find traces of scats, foot prints and other left behind evidence to show that a breed of animal had been in that area of vegetation.

All of the tour guides were nice and explained everything so we could understand it. They made sure that the environment was a serious problem (which it is), in the middle of the day we had lunch out in the bush, after we had done the activities. After lunch we went back to the shaded area in which we completed the rest of the booklet we were given at the start of the day. This day was a complete success, in which we all have to thank Mr Samuels, Mr Norrish and Mr Chipchase.

Kathrine Prowse and Steffi Michel

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2007 DRUG AWARE PRO MARGARET RIVER

World ATP Professional surfer Jake Paterson talked to our Year Nine and Ten students on the Drug Aware message as part of his commitment to supporting the Drug Aware Pro in Margaret River. Jake is a well known Yallingup local and hearing these positive messages from such an icon of the World ATP Tour certainly holds a lot of credence to the students. Thanks to Jake for giving his time to the students.

Bell Shakespeare

The English Department hosted a visit from the Bell Shakespeare Company, who presented a workshop on the play Macbeth.

THE AMAZING BRAIN WORKSHOP

Year Eight students participated in 'The Amazing Brain Workshop' with John Joseph. John Joseph is a former classroom teacher and currently a conference facilitator for 'Brain-compatible learning' across Australia and internationally.

A new baby!

Will Granger (Jacqui Granger's baby) made a special guest appearance in the Early Childhood class. While Jacqui spoke about being a mum, Will made friends with all of the students.

Politics

Yesterday John Castrilli (MLA) came to talk to us about where and how he and the rest of the Government work. He told us that not only does he work in his office but outside of working hours too. Often he is walking down the street and someone sees him and they tend to ask him a question about something that he's working on.

Emily Bartholomew

MAKE POVERTY HISTORY

We welcomed Janine Murphy from Caritas into the College to speak with classes about ways that money raised by students during Project Compassion this year will be used by Caritas in developing countries. Janine also spoke about the need for awareness of the four year long genocide occurring in Darfur, Sudan.

Ms Josephine Hutcheson
Ministry Coordinator

DEC Bush Rangers

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It has been another busy year for the Bushrangers. In first term we recruited an enthusiastic group of year 8's and started work with our native seedlings in the shadehouse. We had our first camp at Wellington Mills. We learnt how the Dept of Environment and Conservation trap and record animals and went on a night senses activity. We did some more marching practice in preparation for ANZAC Day and on the Saturday morning went canoeing on Wellington Dam with Mr Leyendekkers.

In second term we completed a First Aid course and started building our bird boxes. We went to the regional camp at Margaret River where we were in tents. We went caving and did some rehabilitation work at Wharncliffe Mill. We had a great time at the evening concert.

Third term started with our annual planting trip to Katanning, where we stayed at the Katanning Hostel and met up with the Bushrangers from Katanning SHS and from Emmanuel College in Perth. Emmanuel have invited us to Perth next year. We took over about 1000 trees and all up we planted about 4000 trees in deep rip lines along a contour bank. We completed our bird boxes and they were displayed in the library before we took them home. We also had a Saturday morning excursion to the Leschenault Peninsula where we planted about 400 Golden Wreath and Coastal wattle trees grown from the seed that we collected out at the Peninsula last year.

In fourth term we met on Monday evenings down at the PCYC to learn abseiling and rock climbing with Mr Chris Watts. It was great to learn all the knots and all the equipment, not just to get 'hooked up' and go over the edge. Our final camp was at Wellington Dam where we went abseiling at the dam wall quarry and then camped in tents at Potter's Gorge to go canoeing on the Saturday morning with Mr Leyendekkers. By now some of us are becoming quite proficient canoeists. The rolling over and recovery exercises were great fun. Craig and Kailah also had a great time aboard the Leeuwin Sail Training ship for their reward camp.

Special thanks to Ms Mullane and Ms Tapper and Mr Noonan who came on camps and to the weekly meetings with us, and to all other staff and parents who have helped in various ways throughout the year. We had a great time and look forward to 2008!

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Outward Bound

Outward Bound is an experience that I wouldn't swap for the world. It's a place where tensions are felt, friendships are made and strengthened and fun is to be had. On Friday 4 May, we arrived in the middle of nowhere (Walpole) to be met by our enthusiastic South African instructor Mike. We walked to our first destination and learnt how to put up a bivvy, pack our sleeping bags and packs, met the bombie and Dug and Gene. That night, it rained and because I was sleeping on the outside, I got a face-full of it all night. On the second day, one of my friends who was situated at base camp came to our campsite and joined us for a bush cook and cake because it was his birthday. On the third day, we had to pack up our belongings and hike to our next campsite, some few kilometres away. Everyone nearly fell over when they first put on their packs. The first day of hiking was the mentally and physically hardest day for everyone. That night, we had no official campsite so we had to look for an improvised version (which was found after much searching). The fourth day started off with much groaning and stiffness from most people. Mike led us in a quick fifteen minute Yoga session, during which you could hear joints cracking. We set out to go to the beach and on the way there, we found a long drop (heaven!). We stayed on the beach for a few hours, talking, playing games and enjoying a relaxing liturgy. We also found some headless birds that smelt pretty bad. After some more groaning whilst putting our packs on, we set off for our next unofficial campsite, walking along the Bibbulmun track and got lost only temporarily.

That night, we lay and watched the stars, looking for constellations and falling stars. On the fifth day, we walked through dense bush and swampland (thanks to the boys for clearing the way) to reach our official campsite. We sat on the sand for three hours in solo/ reflection time. Then Mike rounded everyone up and we watched the sunset together in silence. That night, the cooks made bush Snickers which wasn't too bad actually and everyone pumped up the rafts. After that, we sat on the rocks and watched the stars. The sixth morning dawned with the prospect of rafting to our next camp. We eagerly got into our rafts and started paddling. I soon discovered it wasn't such a great idea to be stuck behind Geoff. After a quick morning tea, we arrived at the edge of the inlet and walked the rest of the way to the beach. We weren't allowed to swim and only stayed there for ten to fifteen minutes. We had lunch back at our rafts and started paddling again to the other side of the inlet (rafting past where we had started from). In total, we had rafted 18 kilometres in one day. That night, we lay on the rock and after waking some people up, had a group discussion and then it was time for bed. That night, we were woken by the sound of Sam screaming "Help!" as she had lost her way whilst walking back from the toilet. Mike quickly found her.

On the seventh morning, we woke up and the navigators informed us that we only had to raft half of what we had done yesterday. Many songs were sung by all (including Ms McLean) and Mike taught us a new song called "The Bubblegum Song". We reached our final campsite and had to have everything neat and ready so it could be packed up easily the next day. It was a late night and we had our final de-briefing session. I fell asleep to the sound of Cameron singing (again). Day eight. Mike woke us early to watch the sunset but we missed it because of the dense cloud cover. Mike told us the Outward Bound story and we hung out our sleeping bags, etc. The troopies then came to pick us up and we all piled into the back, eager to be moving without any effort involved. Whilst we were waiting for the bus, we were able to change into clean clothes and we all grouped together for final photos. Mike led us in one last round of "The Bubblegum Song" and 'Beat-Boxing' and it was time for us to go home. I was sad to go home because I had learnt so much about everyone and I had met new and interesting people but I was a little bit happier when the bus stopped at Manjimup and we all piled out to use the flushing toilets.

Catherine Stevens

Emily Eakin

Friday 4 May saw the Year Eleven group excited, nervous and anxious about the eight day journey we were about to embark on. Our knowledge was only based on the opinions of other people, and everyone was either eager or terrified about what would come out of this experience. On our arrival, a very friendly, lighthearted instructor named Michael welcomed our group of seventeen students, and Ms McLean. Michael was always there to help, teach and encourage us. He took his job seriously, but always made us laugh and let us have lots of fun. After participating in the ropes courses, giant ladder, three-day hiking expedition and two days of rafting, we all felt like we had achieved something. And after the evening debriefs, and then sleeping under plastic sheets, we all learnt new things about each other, including talents in leadership, joking, singing and dancing. As a team, we learnt to all pull our own weight, and as a result we became closer to each other. Outward Bound was such a great life experience, as people showed their true colours, not the person they can be overshadowed by at school. After our solo time we realised just how much Outward Bound taught us about ourselves, and also how much it made us appreciate our own lives. I would especially like to thank Ms McLean, all the other staff who led groups and also the Outward Bound team for enabling our group to take on this adventure.

YEAR 8 CAMP

On February 14, Valentines day, 3 homerooms got on a bus and went to Baptist youth camp just between Busselton and Dunsborough. We arrived at lunch time. After lunch we got into our homeroom classes and did some activities. These were spiderweb, rafting and kayaking. I liked kayaking because we could go wild and not do completely stupid things but have lots of fun. I also liked spiderweb because it was challenging but raft building wasn't really raft building because the rafts were already made.

I didn't really like dinner but that is because I don't really like tomato sauce. Then we had free time until we started doing a quiz that my team won (but everyone was too noisy). After the quiz we went to bed but the dorm next to ours was really noisy so we talked not very loudly though. Next day we went to Bunker Bay and went to the light house. We also went kayaking, surfing and played games. I thought they were all cool but I had a headache because it was very hot.

I can't remember what we had for dinner but I know I liked it and this night we went straight to sleep. Next day we had breakfast that was the same as yesterday; cereal and toast. Then we did a series of games to get keys to open a box with lollies. We had hot dogs for lunch and went home.

By Christopher Seymour

Wednesday 14th of February

Three eager year 8 classes arrived at BCC, with lots of luggage, their sleeping bags and a heap of excitement. We left for Busselton on two buses at 9.00am to arrive at the Baptist Youth Camp at 10.30am. The first day was jam-packed full of fun activities! After our dorm allocations, we started the day's activities. There were 3 groups, our homeroom classes. We then took on some challenging tasks, including rafting, sea-kayaking, and team games. The food was great that night. Spaghetti Bolognese- yum! Finally, bed time.

Thursday 15th of February, 2007. This day was even busier than the first! After an early wake-up, we had breakfast and hopped on two buses heading towards Bunkers Bay. Sea-kayaking, a long hike and beach activities was the order of the day. This was definitely the most enjoyable, but the most tiring day of camp. After eating up our chicken and vegetables, we went back to our dorms all ready for bed. We slept well that night!

Rise and shine! Friday, 16th February. Our last day on camp! After breakfast, a big clean-up and all of our luggage being put onto the buses, we were ready for our final challenges. Today was a little different as opposed to the previous days, as this time we were put into four randomly picked teams. This gave us an opportunity to meet new people and to be put out of our comfort zones. We had to complete various team games in order to open the treasure chest. The bus trip home was quieter than the way there! Camp was awesome, and a very fulfilling 3 days.

By Mercedes Whelan

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Year Ten Outdoor Ed Bushwalking Camp - Cape Clairault to Cape Naturaliste

THURSDAY 14 - FRIDAY 15 JUNE 2007

It was a bright and early start for most, but we all knew it would be worth it for Mr Famlonga and Mrs Pere's enthusiastic Outdoor Ed classes who were going on a two day bushwalking camp.

Once the bus was all loaded up we headed off at about 7.30am, which was very good considering that it was our target time to leave. After a tiring hour and a half bus trip we arrived at Cape Clairault where we were introduced to our guide, Mr John Leyendekkers. Once we were given a briefing of the day we headed off on our mysterious expedition.

We started off walking along a beach and about fifty metres along we looked back and said to each other "Is this all we have walked? Grrrr!" But we were fortunate that a rule was put in place that we had to stop at least every forty five minutes for a break.

During this time we would readjust our packs, if necessary, have a quick snack and all come together as a group. We would then designate certain jobs/roles for certain people to take on. Different people would get turns in leading the way, some got the group lost, but did manage to find their way eventually.

We finally stopped for lunch just before Smith's Beach, where the girls were glad to see a flushing toilet (even after just a couple of hours!) We continued walking until we reached Yallingup where we refilled all bottles with water, and a few boys took a quick dip. After a few more hours of strenuous but thrilling walking we arrived at our campsite at around 3.30pm.

First we set up our new homes which were just large pieces of plastic called 'bivvies'. Once we were set up it was time to cook up a storm. Most of us just made some form of pasta, which was good enough to satisfy our starving tummies. We must have looked a sight in our thermals and beanies. We did as we pleased until about 6.30pm when we were all called in for a de-briefing of the day that we had just accomplished.

The next morning we were all sweetly and gracefully woken up by Mitch and Matt! It was still dark and I don't think many of us appreciated being woken up with a torch shining in our eyes and their subtle voices telling us to get out of bed at 6.00am in the morning!

So we followed their orders and packed up our gear, had some brekkie then were taught the 'Banana' Song by Mr Leyendekkers. We knew Friday's walk was only about eleven kilometres long, about two kilometres shorter than the previous day's walk. And today we also had something really good to look forward to…...the Dunsborough Bakery!!

Friday's trip included a lot more cliffs but a lot less beach which was pleasing. The scenery was beautiful, but then again we were right on the coast the whole time so what could we expect. It was absolutely stunning!

Although the walk started to get quite boring and tiring, the girls still managed to make a chant about our chief! Chief Pere was she, but Mr Famlonga and Mr Leyendekkers got jealous so we had to include them in it too. Finally we reached the lighthouse! Our journey was nearly complete, all we had left was the bakery, which was probably one of the highlights of the camp!

We all had a magnificent adventure that would not have been possible without all the work put in by Mr Famlonga and Mrs Pere. Also enormous thanks to Mr Leyendekkers, our guide, who probably put up with a lot after spending nearly two whole days with twenty or so year ten students.

By Maddisen Fitzgerald and Bridie Fisher

Achievers

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Presentation Night Awards

Kelderman Award winners.

2006 Kelderman Award Winner -
Stephen Paull : 99.55

2007 Kelderman Award Winner -
Michael Ayre : 99.7

The Kelderman award is one of the most prestigious awards that a student of BCC can receive. It recognises the efforts of the Year 12 student who achieves the highest TEE score and is presented by the Kelderman family.

Have Some Fun

The 2007 Have Some Fun competition took place in the BCC Hall. A total of fifteen teams from Bunbury SHS, Manjimup SHS, Australind SHS, Frederick Irwin Anglican Community School (Mandurah), Bunbury Cathedral Grammar, Ocean Forest Lutheran College, Halls Head Community College and Bunbury Catholic College participated.

This year the Bunbury Catholic College Team was successful with a first placing, closely followed by Bunbury SHS in second place and Frederick Irwin ACS in third place. Congratulations to the following students who formed the winning Bunbury Catholic College Team!

Year 8: Daniel Chegwidden and James Nicholson

Year 9: Johanna Lee and Jessica Akl

Year 10: Andrew Brandis

Australian Mathematics Competition 2007

Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2007 Australian Mathematics Competition. Among the certificate winners were three students who achieved a High Distinction – Tristan Depiazzi (Year Eight), Jessica Akl (Year Nine) and Michael Ayre (Year Twelve). Tristan was also the Prudence Award Winner for answering sixteen consecutive answers correctly.

YEAR 8 CREDIT
James Beard
Shenae Bearman
Patrick Bendall
Samantha Cotterell
Emma Dalton
Elliot Frost
Thomas Jackson
Antonia Keen
Stephanie Nicolao
Stephanie Parmar
Myriah Powley
Marshall Roberts
Christopher Seymour
Tahlia Strother
Daniel Chegwidden
Sophie Cook
Declan D'Agostino
Lauren Dale
Rhys Griffith
Noel Hinton
Georgia Leyendekkers
Mark Manea
Caris Panizza
Kiera Rodgers
Ryan Rowlandson
Sophie Starr
Emma Townsend
Joshua Walker

DISTINCTION
Jack Bartholomew
Jye Horan
James Nicholson
Timothy Peskett
Benjamin Szabadics

YEAR 9 CREDIT
Katherine Brandis
Teagan Doyle
James Drummond
Jordan Dwyer
Phoebe Gadd
Hannah Keeffe
Emma Vincent
Holly Wilson

DISTINCTION
Brandon Bode
Jarrad Gardiner
Robyn Heslop
Johanna Lee
Jacob Poller

HIGH DISTINCTION
Jessica Akl

YEAR 10 CREDIT
Tabitha Browning
Kendall Ferraro
Brianna Hynes
Brigette Macfarlane
Kathleen Waycott

DISTINCTION
Andrew Brandis

YEAR 11 CREDIT
Michael Arnold
Ben Batten
Jakeb Cumming
Jaysen De San Miguel
Alexander Gadd
Cono Galati
Jesse King
Hai Le
Blair Maughan
Elliot Panizza

DISTINCTION
Kaiden Brindley
Hayden Cross
Matthew Leach
Daniel Nixon
Elliot Roberts

YEAR 12 CREDIT
Nicole Depiazzi
Ashley Dilley
Ben Fennell
Emma Linton
Daniel Macnish
Sarah Maloba

DISTINCTION
Benjamin Dorant
Daniel James
Christopher Mennell
Alexander Roberts

HIGH DISTINCTION
Michael Ayre

PRUDENCE AWARD
Tristan Depiazzi

Achievers

2006 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools - Science

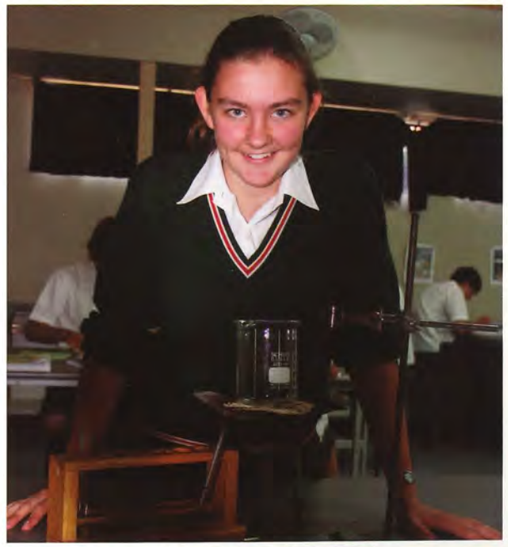
Adam Rowlandson gained a High Distinction in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools - Science Competition 2007 (formerly the Australasian Schools Science Competition). The competition is an initiative of the Educational Assessment Australia of the University of New South Wales and involved schools throughout Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India, China, Hong Kong and the Pacific region.

NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM - 2008

Kaitlin Dubrawski, from Year Eleven is one of 100 students in Australia invited to attend the National Youth Science Forum in January 2008. The Forum is held in Canberra for two weeks in January. Kaitlin will live on campus at the university and will meet and work with a range of scientists and researchers.

LIONS CHILDREN OF COURAGE AWARD

Gillian Yates, Ashleigh Hawke and Hannah Wheeler who received a 'Lions Children of Courage Award' for acting quickly and calmly in responding to another young person in need. The students were presented with their Awards at a ceremony in Perth.



ROSTRUM VOICE OF YOUTH COMPETITION

Lisa Butcher and Michael Ayre competed in the semi-finals of the Rostrum Voice of Youth Competition. Lisa spoke very convincingly on the topic 'Skating On Thin Ice'. Michael entertained the audience on the topic 'A Measure of Intelligence'. Both students were outstanding ambassadors for BCC and are to be commended for their hard work and commitment. Michael was selected as one of three State finalists to compete in Perth.

AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Certificates were presented to Year Eleven students who participated in the Australian Geography Competition. Congratulations to Marcus Serravite who achieved a high distinction, to Alexander Whittock who achieved a distinction and to Emily Eakin and Rhys Remeika who achieved credits.

Achievers

Bunbury Eisteddfod

Congratulations to students who participated in the Bunbury Eisteddfod held at the Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre.

Our students performed extremely well with the following results

Breanne Ashby, Abbie Reilly and Johanna Lee:
First Place in the Under Eighteen's String Quartet and performed at the Gala Concert.

Breanne Ashby
First Place Under Fourteen's Duet
Third Place in the Under Fourteen String Solo.

Rebecca Bailey
First Place in the Sacred Solo and performed at the Gala Concert.

Amy Barningham and Monique Ceccato
were awarded several places and awards for the Dance Section and danced at the Gala Concert.

Caitlin Davis
Three First Places and a
Highly Commended in the Under Eighteen Dance.

Courtney Downes
First Place in the Young Entertainers Section,
First Place and
Highly Commended in the Rock Band Section and performed in the band 'The Stratz' at the Gala Concert.

Joshua Luff
Placegetter in the Singing section

Abbie Reilly
Second Place in the Under Thirteen String Solo
Anthony Galati was awarded a First place,
Two second places and a
Third place in the Under Fourteen Piano Solo and
Two second places and a
Third place in the Under Fourteen Singing Section.

Brodie Stewart
Three First Places, One Second Place,
One Third Place in the Piano Section
Two First Places in the Drum Section
First place in the Young Entertainers Section
Three First Places and a Highly Commended
in the Rock & Jazz Band Section and performed at Gala Concert in the band 'The Stratz'
Won the Phaedra Taylor Memorial Trophy for the best performing 12 to 14 year old for his Piano Performance.

Sam Wilson
Two First Places and a
Highly Commended in the Rock Band Section and performed in the band 'The Stratz' at the Gala Concert.

Congratulations also goes to:

Courtney Downes, Brodie Stewart and Sam Wilson who were members of the Winning Band in the Eisteddfod, 'The Stratz'.

Congratulations to the Year Twelve Drama students who performed their Drama assessment in the Bunbury Eisteddfod Under Eighteens Monologue section. Special mention goes to Sarah Jackson for achieving first place; Brenda Evans and Matt Peskett for second place; Julia Atkinson, Emily Lloyd and Julie McDonnell for third place and Danni Goff for an honourable mention.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

Congratulations to Brodie Stewart, Year Eight, who performed in the Catholic Schools Performing Arts Festival. Honourable Mentions are awarded for performances of Excellence and Brodie received an Honourable Mention for his Piano Solo. He was also awarded the 2007 Vera Chidlow Pianoforte Scholarship, valued at $500.

ILUKA VISIONS STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

Our school had ten pieces included in the display. Congratulations to the artists. The most prestigious Iluka Scholarship Prize went to Courtney Downes in Year Eleven.

ALCOA FUTURE WOMEN IN INDUSTRY

Shauna Upton, Year Eleven, completed the programme for recipients of the Alcoa Future Women in Industry Scholarship. The Scholarship Program gave Shauna a valuable opportunity to explore career pathways in Environmental Science. She attended a breakfast, a workshop on polishing skills to enter the workplace and a network evening. Shauna also spent three days at Alcoa in a 'buddy programme', working with an Environmental Scientist, Geologist and Technician. Another bonus of the programme was that Shauna was awarded $800 towards her education.

BUNBURY BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Of the six bands who were invited to play in the final of the Elevator 07 Battle of the Bands at the Bunbury Entertainment Centre, three had members from our school. Congratulations to This End Up who won first prize, and also to Distraction and The Stratz for their fine performances.

Achievers
Sporting Glory
Presentation Night Awards

Sporting Glory

Achievers

Sporting Glory

Presentation Night Awards

Congratulations to Kyle Davis (9F) who was awarded 'South West Cricketer Of The Year'. Kyle travelled to the WACA to watch the WA vs NSW game and during the lunch break was presented with a signed Warriors Cricket Bat by Peter Worthington. Kyle had a private box for all games during the year and also had the opportunity to tour the Cricket Museum and Scoreboard.

Congratulations:

Six top sporting achievers from the College have been awarded a Department of Sport and Recreation "Smarter than Smoking" Country Development Scholarship to assist them to continue to rise to the elite level of their chosen sports. It is the fourth year Kelly Bastow has been rewarded for her on-going consistent performances, along with Samuel Sopolinski in Basketball. Alex Hagan and Nicole Depiazzi have achieved in Rowing, Nicholas Godsell in Surf Lifesaving and Erin Fee in Netball. Our former students Jayden Edwards, Josh Williams, Rhys Gelmi (all rowers) and Gemma Triscari (cricket), also achieved awards.

Congratulations to Madeleine Tyrrell who was selected to represent WA in the Under Sixteen State School Girls Hockey Championships held in Melbourne.

Michael Buller created history in Bunbury Tennis by becoming the youngest ever winner of the Bunbury Tennis Clubs Men's Singles Final. Having recently won the Junior Singles title, Michael, at sixteen years of age, took out the Premier Tennis Event Final against a very experienced and skilful Jason Frisina. Michael partnered Laura Nation in the senior Mixed Doubles Championship, on the following day. They both played impressive tennis to ward off the best of the adult pairs and went on to win the final. James Daly partnered Michael in the Junior Doubles Championship Final, two weeks previous and the boys went on to take the title. Michael also attended the Brisbane Junior Age Open Championship.

Congratulations also to Erin Fee who was selected to represent Western Australia in the 2007 17 & Under State Team at the Athlete's Foot Netball National Championships.

Congratulations to Alex Hagan who returned from the Australian Rowing Championships at Lake Nagambie in Victoria with three gold medals and one silver medal. Alex retained her title as the Fastest Sculler in the Under Seventeen Division and also won Gold in the Schoolgirls Single Scul event representing Bunbury Catholic College. This prestigious event had a prize of a new boat and oars to the winning schoolgirl and schoolboy. Her third gold medal was in the Women's Under Seventeen Double Scull rowing with Georgia Gibbs from BRC and a silver medal in the Under Seventeen Coxed Quad - another all Bunbury crew. She also represented WA in the Interstate Women's Youth Eight where they came in 5th.

Congratulations also to Nicole Depiazzi who rowed very well to score a bronze medal in the Women's Under Nineteen Quad, rowed in the Under Twenty Three Lightweight Single Sculls and also represented WA, along with Alex, in the Interstate Women's Youth Eight.

Congratulations to Bianca Donovan, Year Nine, who has been selected in the Under Sixteen State Country Basketball Team. . Bianca travelled to Gosford, NSW in the July school holidays to compete in the Nationals.

Congratulations to Lauren Reynolds from Year Eleven who came third in the final of the World BMX Championships in Victoria, Canada. Lauren was selected in the Australian Team, having won the national Ranking Series after eleven rounds of competition, held over three to four months, throughout Australia. Lauren was one of only three females in the junior team and the only sixteen year old represented. After three qualifying rounds at the World Championships, Lauren advanced to the semi-finals. Achieving a top four finish in her semi, she advanced to the final where the top eight competitors prepared for their ultimate challenge. Lauren finished third in the final to proudly claim a podium finish at the 2007 World Championships!

Sporting Glory

Congratulations to Logan Triplett and Marshall Roberts from Year Eight for their selection in this year's Regional Hockey Championships. They were selected from trials of players from all over the Southwest.

Congratulations also to Kaitlyn Burns from Year Ten who was awarded the Rhonda Bozzelli Medal for Senior Women's Hockey Goalkeeper of the Year for 2007. This is quite an achievement considering Kaitlyn is only fifteen and this was her first season playing in the Women's A1 Division for the Associates Hockey Club.

Congratulations to our basketball achievers! Kelly Bastow, Year Twelve, has been selected as Captain of the State Under Eighteen Country Basketball Team for the second year. Sam Sopolinski and Cameron Raper, both from Year Twelve, have been selected into the Men's Under Eighteen Team. They headed off to Launceston, Tasmania, to compete in the Nationals.

Congratulations to Emily Eakin and Luke Darlow from Year Eleven, who recently returned from successfully competing in the Taekwondo Nationals in Adelaide. They were awarded a Gold Medal for their Pairs routine. Luke received a Silver Medal for his individual performance and Emily was awarded a Bronze medal in her individual routine.

Congratulations to Anthony Morabito who was been selected in the State Under Sixteen Football side. A team of twenty five players were selected from all players throughout the state.

Congratulations:

Jeremy Mason and Adam and Ryan Rowlandson competed at the 2007 State Inline Speedskating Championships held both in Bunbury and Perth. Jeremy competed in the forty two kilometre Junior Marathon on road, finishing in first place. This was the first time that Adam and Ryan have competed at States and they performed extremely well considering they only took up rollerskating a little over twelve months ago. This was Jeremy's fourth State Championship, gaining him two silvers and a bronze.

All three boys have now gained selection in the State Team for Nationals in 2008 to be held in Perth in January.

Casey Webb and Haley Castrilli represented WA in the state under 17 soccer team in July in Coffs Harbour.

Presentation Night Awards

Achievers

Sporting Glory

Presentation Night Awards

Subject Awards

YEAR 8

Patrick Bendall	Maths/ Science
Daniel Chegwidden	Physical Education
Tristan Depiazzi	English / Society & Environment
	Maths / Science
Erin Dilley	English/ Society & Environment
Dena English	Physical Education
Mary Jack	English/Society & Environment
	Maths/ Science
Ellise Laventure	English I Society & Environment
James Nicholson	English/ Society & Environment
	Maths/ Science
Caris Panizza	Maths/ Science
Nicola Panorios	Maths/ Science
Stephanie Parmar	English I Society & Environment
Myriah Powley	English I Society & Environment
Christopher Seymour	Maths/Science

YEAR 9

Jessica Akl	Mathematics / Science
	Wood Design Technology
Ashlin Brindley	Drama / English
Chelsea Busher	Art
Dara Carlin	Outdoor Education
	Physical Education
Jordan Dwyer	Metal Design Technology
Courtney Gledhill	Dance
Alana Hammond	Home Economics
Johanna Lee	Music / Society & Environment
Harley Loffler	Building & Construction
Marco Satti	Digital Graphics
Hollie Webster	Physical Education
Rhys Williams	Aero Modelling

YEAR 10

Shannon Boyle	Media Studies
Ethan Depiazzi	Outdoor Education
Bree-Anna Dorant	Art
Brendon Giudici	Wood Design Technology
	Metal Design Technology
Alesha Heath	Science
Carly Maughan	English / Home Economics
	Mathematics / Society & Environment
Adam Rowlandson	Digital Graphics
Eleanor Ryan	Dance
Shanelle Schramm	Music
Ryan Seale	Physical Education
Nicola Stevenson	Accounting and Finance
Stephanie Waycott	Physical Education
Morgan Young	Drama

YEAR 11

Louise Banks	English 2A/2B
Marleen Boom	English IC/ID
Taylor Buoro-Long	Drama Studies
Sarah Carbone	English IA/IB / Work Studies
Candis Combes	Dance
Madelaine DePilato	Senior Science
John Dewhurst	Belief & Values
Courtney Downes	Music IA/IB / Visual Art IA/IB
Kaitlin Dubrawski	Belief & Values / Biology / Chemistry
	English Literature
	Introductory Calculus / Physics
Emily Eakin	Geography
Melissa Foss	Music
Dean Fowler	AIT - Digital Media 2A/2B
Alex Gadd	Human Biology
Julie-Anne McLean	Physical Science
Phillip Newman	Technical Graphics
Matthew Peskett	English 1A-1B
Jordan Sell	Furniture Design Technology
Jacki Taylor	Human Biology
Camille Wilson	Early Childhood Studies
Danielle Keep	History
Jonathon Krawec \ Flynn	Physical Education Studies
Matthew Leach	Geometry & Trigonometry
Craig Lenard	Building and Construction
	Furniture Design Technology
Taryn McClements	Business Information Technology
	Mathematics In Practice
Jazze McNeill	Accounting
Pendwe Msapenda	Food Production
Shelby O'Dea	Art / Media Production Analysis IA/IB
Mark Pedulla	Structured Workplace Learning
Ashleigh Plaskett	Technical Graphics
Rhys Remeika	Physical Science
Jessica Riley	Foundations in Mathematics
Benjamin Rossiter	Belief & Values
Megan Smith	Early Childhood Studies
Madeleine Venables	Economics

YEAR 12

Jacinta Andrade	Belief & Values / Biology
	English Literature
Michael Ayre	Applicable Mathematics / Calculus
	Chemistry / English 3A/3B / Physics
Rebecca Bailey	Music in Society
Lincoln Bertelli	Discrete Mathematics
Michael Buller	Physical Education Studies
Monique Ceccato	Dance
Lauren Dunning	Belief & Values / Food Production
Renee Fish	Art & Design
Sabrina Fogliani	Physical Science
Luke Ghasseb	Technical Graphics
Adam Giust	Structured Workplace Learning
Lukas Griffin	Geography
Brett Haylock	Economics
Asha Hough	Early Childhood Studies
Sarah Jackson	Art / Drama Studies
Kate Jameson	Business Information Technology
Catherine Kouw	Senior Science
Alanna Kusin	English 2A/2B
	Modelling with Mathematics
	Work Studies
Jeremy Lee	Information Systems
Trent Macri	Media Production & Analysis 1A/1 B
Kyle McCarthy	Building & Construction
Julie McDonnell	History / Political & Legal Studies
Matthew Peskett	English 1C/1D
Jordan Sell	Furniture Design Technology
Natalie Sgambelluri	Accounting / Human Biology
Christina Soulos	Drama

Christian Living Awards

YEAR 8

Rebecca Clark	Mark Cleggett	Leticia Donovan
Anthony Galati	Zane Gordon	Noel Hinton
Mary Jack	Jorja Madaffari	Chelsea Mighall
Maxwell O'Connell	Rachel O'Donoghue	Megan Pedulla
Marshall Roberts	Cameron Vallesi	

YEAR 9

Jessica Akl	Brownwyn Ayre	Alda Bafobusha
Katherine Brandis	Chelsea Busher	Elliot Chambers
Kyle Davis	Riley Della-Vedova	Bronwyn Doyle
Thomas Poga	Dylan Resta	Luke Russo
Sophie Smith	Hayley Tyrell	Emma Vincent

YEAR 10

Michael Busby	Adriana Chiera	Rianne Colyer
Jessica Davis	Lauren Dixon	Jake Dunning
David Faulkner	Judit Gildenhuys	Brett Gullotti
Monique Italiano	Joshua Luff	Stephanie Plint
Oliver Richards	Ryan Seale	Candy Taylor
Luke Walker		

YEAR 11

Matthew Befumo	Rohan Bowles	Taylor Buoro-Long
Hayden Cross	Kaitlin Dubrawski	Lisa Ip
Mark Mason	Jazze McNeill	Bree-Anne Milligan
Daniel Nixon	Hayley Palumbo	Ryan Risdon
Elliot Roberts	Antony Russo	Catherine Stevens
Madeleine Venables		

YEAR 12

Andersson Robert	Michael Ayre	Lincoln Bertelli
Michael Buller	Eleanor Busby	Brenda Evans
Renee Fish	Tavis Hall	Emma Linton
Lauren Lofthouse	Daniel Macnish	Graham Plint
Natalie Smith	Kailah Thorn	

Sporting Awards

Junior Sportswoman	Lauren Lander
Junior Sportsman	David Mckay
Senior Sportswoman	Kelly Bastow
Senior Sportsman	Michael Buller

Mission Award - 12C This award is presented to the Homeroom which has shown the greatest enthusiasm for the missions in an effort to make a difference to those in need.

House Trophy - Marcellin
Acknowledges the combined efforts of students representing Marcellin, McAuley, Valentine or Xavier House in swimming, athletics and cross country carnivals during 2006.

Caltex Best All Rounder - Analise Blackwell The recipient of this award has demonstrated a commitment to excellence in the academic, sporting, cultural and leadership aspects of Bunbury Catholic College.

Year Twelve Engineers Award
Michael Ayre / Kasun Jayasekera

Worsley Engineering Scholarships
Benjamin Dorant / Brett Haylock
Daniel Macnish / Benjamin Donald

Positive Image Award - Melania Kapisa This award recognises the student who through their willingness and generosity to participate in all school activities is seen as an excellent role model by the Student Representative Council.

Tom Hall Vocational Education & Training Award - Aleisha Scimone

ECU Business Award - Natalie Sgambelluri

Community Award - Tegan Reilly
Kyle McCarthy / Eleanor Busby
For service to the College Community.

Leadership Award - Lincoln Bertelli

Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Award - Analise Blackwell / Owen Hingston
Nicola Stevenson

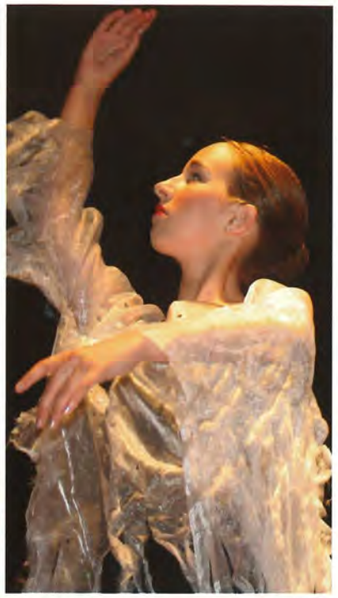
Sr Martha Bursary - Joshua Barton
A staff funded bursary in memory of Sr Mary Martha, a Sister of Mercy, who was a founding staff memberof our College. This bursary is awarded to the Year 10 student who strives to give of his/her best in every aspect of the College Life.

Bunbury Marist Old Boys' Assoc Bursary - Bree-Anne Milligan / Daniel Nixon This bursary is awarded to a Year 11 student who has consistently demonstrated a conscientious effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.

Graduation Award - Lauren Giudici The recipient of this award has achieved excellence in the Year 12 school based subjects.

Academic Excellence - Michael Ayre The recipient of this award has achieved the highest academic final results in the Year 12 TEE programme.

Vincent Ryan– Principal's Award - Analise Blackwell This award is in memory of our foundation principal Vincent Ryan, a man of vision, learning and compassion. The recipient of this award has demonstrated application towards academic progress, together with integrity, courage and commitment to the witness of Catholic values both within the school and wider community. Presented by Mr Ivan Banks.



Presentation Night Awards

Achievers

Sporting Glory

Presentation Night Awards

Drama

Year 8

Year Eight students enjoyed their brief "taster" of Drama this year, with each group being guided by Miss Sawyer in creating a performance for a concert at the end of their course. The students relished their moment in the spotlight, and we look forward to welcoming many of them into Drama in 2008.

Year 9

In Semester One, the Year Nines developed skills in improvising, which culminated in a hilarious TheatreSports competition with many weird and wonderful costumes for the teams involved. In Semester Two, Ms Carey's Year 9 Drama classes performed one-act plays for the Year Nine Drama Night, where parents and friends were invited to watch the performances of Snow White, The Waiting Womb, and Switch On, Turn Off. These comedies were a huge hit with the audience, and testament to the hard work put in by the students involved. Few will forget the birthing exercises executed by the "pregnant" Year 9's!

Year 10

Year 10's performed an evening of monologues, Journeys in Semester One, which was a big success. Students selected from a variety of scripted monologues, which resulted in an eclectic mix of characters, providing everything from lighthearted entertainment, to moving dramatic pieces, some of which were also performed at Presentation Night. In Semester Two, students focused on Elizabethan Theatre, culminating in an incursion to see the Year 11 and 12 production of Romeo and Juliet, and later getting to use the beautiful costumes from the performance in their own Shakespeare work. Term Four saw the Year 10's relish the opportunity to delve into musical theatre, with some highly entertaining performance assessments from Grease, Little Shop of Horrors and Annie.

Perth International Arts Festival

The Year 11 and 12 annual pilgrimage to the PIAF took place in Week Five of Term One, with this year's production being William Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew" performed by UK group Propeller. This hilarious performance of one of Shakespeare's more controversial comedies was played by an all male cast, which gave students a unique insight into the way this play may have been performed in Elizabethan times, as well as the opportunity to write a theatre analysis for assessment.

Year 11 Drama:

The major task for Year Eleven this year was the performance of William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet in the new Performing Arts Centre. The Year Elevens rehearsed tirelessly from the beginning of the year on this project, studying the play and it's origins, learning the language of Shakespeare and the conventions of Elizabethan Theatre to be able to perform it. Careful detail in the development of their characters allowed the students to create realistic and believable performances, which were held over two successful evenings and a matinee performance with alternate casts. I was extremely impressed by the dedication and commitment of these students who learnt a huge deal about staging a major production. In Term Four, the Year Elevens had the opportunity to test their creativity and collaboration skills when they wrote a piece of devised theatre, Rat Race, which they performed for their peers.

Year 12 Drama:

The Year Twelves worked this year with professional director Andy King on scripted monologues which were performed for the Semester One exams at the Bunbury Eisteddfod where the students were successful in winning several awards. The Drama Studies students performed the challenging one-act plays 100 and Out of the Flying Pan which allowed them to explore performance styles other than the traditional realism, whilst the Drama students performed with the Year Elevens in Romeo and Juliet in Term Three. Students were required to produce their plays as well as perform them, and were kept extremely busy creating sets, props, costumes, soundtracks, publicity and stage managing the productions. The year culminated for the Year Twelves with the performances of their Original Solo Productions in conjunction with Students in the Spotlight. Students were required to conceive, write, produce, direct and perform their own 7 minute, one-person play for assessment. This task was repeated for TEE students in the practical TEE exam in the Term 3 holidays.

Sydney Drama Tour 2007

Fifteen students. Four teachers. And a trip across the country that would change our lives forever.

A bit dramatic? Maybe. But that was really the point of this year's Sydney tour: drama students being given the chance to improve their skills after a week of coaching at the most prestigious drama academy in Australia, the National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA).

On the 13th of July 2007, 15 students (10 from BCC along with 5 from Mackillop Catholic College in Busselton) and 4 teachers, including BCC's own Ms. Carey, embarked from Perth airport to make our way to Sydney. Our excitement began to rise as we finally arrived, stepped out of the airport and onto our very own minibus, to be driven by the one and only Len (who remained our faithful chauffeur for the entirety of the trip) to the University of New South Wales (UNSW) campus, our home for the next week.

After two days of shopping, sightseeing, and taking in spectacular shows such as local smash Priscilla and Broadway hit Spelling Bee (starring Magda Szubanski, Lisa McCune and Marina Prior), it was time to begin our NIDA course.

Day one was a daunting experience as we entered the expansive NIDA campus, walking the same hallways as great actors like Nicole Kidman and Mel Gibson had before us. A typical day at NIDA, we soon learned, was not typical at all. Dance studios, black-box theatres and art exhibitions glittered throughout the campus alongside standard classrooms, as well as photos from past NIDA productions lining the walls... at second glance we could even spot now-famous Australians in their earlier acting days. To see the humble beginnings of such Australian acting greats was both intimidating and inspiring, providing us with new motivation and enthusiasm as we began our own classes.

Each of our five days at NIDA consisted of:

8.40-10.30: Voice Studies with Carmen (famous for frequently instructing us to "release our inner zombie").

10.30-10.45: Recess with banana bread, hot chocolate or Killer Pythons from the NIDA canteen.

10.45-12.45: Movement Studies with Wendy (our first celebrity encounter: Wendy is a regular on TV's All Saints. Now she is "our mate Wendy" whenever we see her on TV).

12.45-1.15: Lunch at UNSW campus.

1.15-4.00: Improvisation and Play-building with Paul (taught us how to trust our instincts and listen to our impulses).

Each class was a unique experience, especially in Improvisation, where we created and performed our own unique piece of theatre as a group (enter... .."The Dragon"!). Throughout the week we learnt invaluable skills that will undoubtedly help us as actors in the future. Highlights during the week included not only our classes at NIDA, but the shows we went to see, especially "Exit the King", an absurdist piece starring Academy Award winner Geoffrey Rush (another little brush with fame for us).

The Sydney tour was certainly an experience worth having as we made new friends, saw new places and learned new things in between buying souvenirs and checking out the best food places around. And as we returned home, exhausted, and with arms full of shopping bags, we knew for sure that it was a part of our lives we'd never forget.

By Emily Laurino, Taylor Bvoro-Long and Hayley Palumbo

Thanks!

Special thanks must go to the staff who have supported the Drama Department in 2007 with the setting up of technical equipment, driving of buses, and assisting with supervision and performance evenings in a variety of ways. A big thankyou to Mr Maratea and Ms Steven, Mr Kenny, Mr Fredericks, Mrs Morris, Miss Sawyer, Mr McLean, Mrs May, Ms Bovell, Mrs Parmar, Ms Hutcheson, all the Arts Staff, and anyone else who assisted us in any way. Extra special thanks go to Mrs Karen Walker for her assistance, especially the costuming, including the stunning Romeo and Juliet costumes which she designed and hand made.

Ms Helen Carey

Drama

Dance

Visual Arts

Music

REMIX – It's our time to shine

Our 1st semester dance production was held on Tuesday the 26th of June. This was a culmination of year 9, 10, 11 & 12 dance students. The dance evening, which was held in the College Hall was presented by the year 12 dance students as part of their course. The night was a great success, well done to all performers, especially to year 12 Divas.

ACHPER 2007

Our dance students excelled in the ACHPER Dance Festival held in June at the Bunbury Entertainment Centre. ACHPER stands for Australian Council for Health Physical Education and Recreation. All schools offering dance as part of the curriculum are asked to showcase their talents. Year 12 students presented a Spanish Dance and a contemporary piece titled `Overcome.'

Mrs Dianne Stewart

Wakakirri

The national story festival also known as 'Wakakirri' is Australia's largest multi arts event. Primary Schools and High schools from all over Australia enter and create stories about issues and problems that are present in society.

Bunbury Catholic College entered for the second time in the Story Dance section. Our previous entry was two years ago. This year, a group of students ranging from year 8 to year 12 joined up to be part of the experience. After months of rehearsals and organising by students and teachers we had finished our piece called 'Live and Let Burn'.

'Live and Let Burn' was a performance about Skin Cancer and how wearing sunscreen could save your life. The act featured rock lobsters, lifeguards, doctors, tumours, wedding and college scenes and much more. We performed it to a live audience at the Regal Theatre in Subiaco.

We competed against fourteen other schools to go to the nationals and to our surprise we won the WA state division. As well as this honour our entry was awarded the Eco Zone Award for the most environmentally sound props and costumes. The Live Pop Singing Award was won by Brodie Stewart. This allowed Bunbury Catholic College to participate in the National Wakakarri Competition as the Western Australian for Secondary School Story Dance.

Overall it was a great experience and I had heaps of fun. I can't wait to do it again and hope everyone gets a chance to be involved.

By Taryn McClements Year 11

METADANCE – Semester 2 Performance

We concluded the year with our second semester performance of Metadance in December. It was a culmination of all the second semester dances from years 9 – 11. The evening was a huge success and finished off with a special presentation of flowers to Rhiannon Smith for assisting backstage and Aleisha Scimone who is leaving the College to commence her apprenticeship. The evening commenced with Courtney Downes providing vocal entertainment. The dancers also had the opportunity to showcase their talents to local feeder primary schools during a matinee session.

Congratulations to all those on and off stage for such a professional job. It has been a very exciting and rewarding year of dance in 2007.

Well done everyone.

Visual Arts

Drama
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Music

Students in the Spotlight

On the 25th September Bunbury Catholic College hosted the 'Students in the Spotlight' Exhibition. This annual event showcased the diverse talents of our students. Originally 'Students in the Spotlight' provided an opportunity to display TEE Art student works from that year. It has since been extended to all subject areas and this year included a wide variety of work from areas such as Aero-modelling, Building and Construction, Dance, Design and Technology, Early Childhood Studies, English, Home Economics, Mathematics, Religion, Science, Technical Graphics and Yr 8 Integrated Studies.

This year we once again welcomed the work of our talented teachers. Thank you to Mr Depiazzi, Mrs Hogan, Mrs Kanakis, Mrs Lenard, Mrs. Maughn, Mr. Poller, Mrs. Ridgway, Ms. Trethowan and Mr. Slater for showcasing their fantastic pieces. Throughout the night there were performances from the Yr 11 and 12 dance classes. Guests were able to enjoy the evening's entertainment while perusing the exhibits. Wine and cheese was generously donated by the P & F Association and kindly served by Mr Townsend and the Yr 12 Art Class.

This year saw the largest turnout since its humble beginnings seven years ago. Its success would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication from the BCC staff and students. Ms Brenda Della-Sale was extremely grateful for the College Community's tremendous support of this event.

Ryley Remeika - Yr 12 Art

Iluka Visions Exhibition 2007

From the 20th October to 25th November the Iluka Visions Student Art Exhibition was held at the Bunbury Regional Art Galleries. This exhibition gave students from Secondary Schools around the South West an opportunity to have their work displayed in a professional gallery space and to be viewed by members of the community.

This year Bunbury Catholic College was proud to be represented by 10 artworks from the following 9 students: Shenae Bearman , Elliot Frost, Rachel O'Donoghue and Brodie Stewart from Year 8. Aiden Dilley, Bree-Anna Dorant from Year 10. Courtney Downes, Shelby O'Dea, and Marc Papalia from Year 11. Congratulations to these students and to Courtney Downes for winning the Iluka Prize, a one week internship at the Art Gallery of Western Australia. You should all be very proud of your achievement.

Mrs Brenda Della-Sale and Mrs Penelope Northcott

Year 12 Art camp

Over the 9th, 10th and 11th of February, the Year Twelve Art students travelled with the Art students from Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School "down south" for a weekend of sun, surf (well capturing it) and art. We spent the weekend visually recording the scenery of Margaret River, Augusta, Leeuwin Lighthouse and Hamelin Bay. Our aim throughout the camp was to explore the theme "Living on the Coast" for our Project One Visual Diaries. We were given the chance to approach artwork as the Impressionists did, painting from what we saw and capturing the fleeting effects of light. Drawing and painting on the spot allowed us to develop our skills and techniques, helping us grow as artists. We enjoyed the local cafés and galleries where we were able to view the works of local artists.

Overall it was an enjoyable weekend, the weather was magnificent and the paintings, sketches and photographs we attained from the camp provided us with all the ideas and inspirations that we needed. It is definitely an experience prospective Year Twelve students can look forward to. A special thanks to Ms Della Sale and all who helped make this camp a success.

Sarah Jackson - Year Twelve Art Student

Music

2007 has been another year of growth in music at the school. Once again there have been plenty of opportunities for students to learn and perform their music. Moving to the new performing arts building has been one of the biggest challenges, but after a few hiccups and a prolonged changeover period, we have finally found some semblance of normality in the new space. It has been useful for staging our lunchtime concerts and will certainly be suitable as a recital venue.

Sounds and Flavours

On Friday 14th September, the Upper School Music class with Mrs Northcott presented the annual music night – Sounds and Flavours. As part of the Year 11 and 12 course, the students are given the task of planning the night which includes organising performers, publicity, tickets sales, sponsorship and decoration, as well as rehearsing their own musical items. The supper was again provided and served by the Year 12 Food Production class with Mrs Lenard as part of their course. This year the evening was sold out completely and the hall was packed with appreciative patrons. There were four hours of continuous music with over 70 performers. It certainly proved to be one of the best ever music events at our school.

Creating Original Music

This year as part of the Arts Extension Programme, a select group of music students spent an entire day with Mrs Northcott composing and creating original music which formed the soundtrack to the Holy Thursday Para Liturgy. The sound was well polished and the improvised music blended well with the other dramatic elements on stage.

Feast Day Concert

Once again this year there was a wide variety of acts from students across the school making up the entertainment for the school during the last hour of the day.

Guitar Class

This year Mr. McKenzie has introduced a guitar class into the two period Year 9 Music class. This has proved to be quite popular and will continue through next year.

Children's Concert Tour

Over this year the three period Year 9 class has worked on a range of activities with Mrs Northcott including the successful self devised Children's Concert Tour on Monday 26th November which was a joint project with two period Year 9 Dance. Over a few weeks in Second Semester, they worked to create and polish a 40 minute combined concert suitable for performing to young children. The tour included the preschoolers at Saint Mary's in the morning and the toddlers at Early Stars Childcare Centre in the afternoon. The aim of the day was to give the students the opportunity to experience performing in different and unknown locations which requires adapting on the spot to unexpected issues such as space restrictions as well as to be literally involved in the lugging and setup of equipment. Our students were very well received by the young children who danced and clapped along throughout the concert which certainly gave our students a very immediate feedback to their show.

Instrumental Programme

This year our instrumental programme has grown to more than ninety students enrolled in individual music lessons. We have introduced a guitar ensemble as well as continued the concert band. With such a big load, the school employed our guitar and drum teacher Mr Luke Campbell midway through the year as the fulltime Instrumental Coordinator and tutor. Our other teaching staff has included Laurie O'Connell teaching brass and Ray Risdon teaching singing. This year we have introduced an end of year concert for students of this programme. This was held in the new theatre enabling students to showcase what they have been working on to their parents and peers.

Choir

Following on the successes from last year, Mrs Northcott continued coordinating the school choir, with a Choir Homeroom every Tuesday and Friday mornings. Over the course of 2007 this relatively small but tight knit group has worked hard to provide music for each of the school masses and major liturgical services as well as some of the other events including the Opening of the Performing Arts Centre and Presentation Night.

Mrs Penelope Northcott

The Arts

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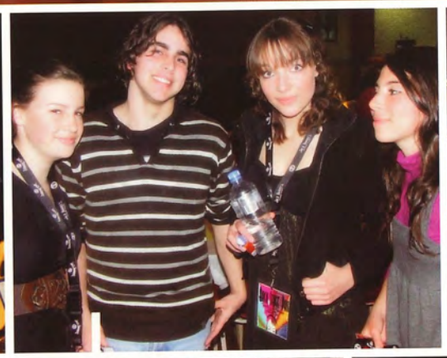
Music



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Swimming Carnival

Our students competed in the Interschool SWISSA Swimming Carnival which was held at the South West Sports Centre. Even though the day brought very hot and sticky conditions, students' energy levels were still high and the day was a success.

Despite not having an Under 20 Boy's Team, the students performed well coming a very close fifth out of eight schools. Fredrick Irwin won the day for the eleventh consecutive time. Special mention goes to David McKay and Kelly Bastow for coming runners-up in their age divisions. Thanks to Mr John O'Dea for helping out on the day and to Tania Banasiak, Helen Hunter, Grant Ruland, Rod Burns and Hannah Buck for helping record.

Congratulations to all swimmers on a great effort!

Ms Robyn Dunnet - Sports Co-ordinator

SWISSA Basketball

The senior boys and girls basketball teams both played on Wednesday afternoons, against MacKillop Catholic College, Georgiana Molloy (girls only) and Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School. Both teams achieved mixed results with the boys and girls teams winning close games against MacKillop. The girls travelled to Busselton for a close but unsuccessful game against Georgiana and both teams went down to an experienced BCGS outfit.

This year the junior competition was played in a one day carnival at the South West Sports Centre. Both boys and girls teams did exceptionally well. The girls finished on top of the table, having won all their games by quite big margins. The boys too did well, defeating Georgiana Molloy and Ocean Forest Lutheran School and went down in some close games to MCC and BCGS. All games were played at very high standards and students conducted themselves in a very sportsmanlike manner. Well done!

Mrs Renae Pere

Cross Country

On Tuesday 15 May, students from Years Eight to Twelve represented the College in the SWISSA Cross Country at Camp Mornington, Harvey. The course proved to be more challenging than some students were used to, however all students performed exceptionally well. Each age group had approximately sixty competitors from which we had a number of top ten runners. In the under fourteen division, Mathew Lancaster came seventh.

In the under fifteens we won the overall division with Lauren Lander coming third, Bianca Donovan fifth, Shannon Verhagen seventh and in the Boys we had David McKay taking out the Champion Boy, Jacob Poller coming seventh followed by Carlo Chiellini ninth. Georgia Sobejko came ninth in the under sixteen girls and Nic Godsell came fourth for the boys. In the under seventeens Casey Webb came fourth for the girls and Michael Parisella came fifth and Antony Russo eighth in the boys. Kelly Bastow was the fourth female in the open division and Kyle McCarthy was third over the line for the males. Well done to all our students!

Ms Robyn Dunnet - Sports Coordinator

SWISSA Golf

This year the golf was a highly competitive affair with teams from Georgiana Malloy and Ocean Forest playing for the first time. The mozzies were really hungry and affected our concentration at times; however, this did not deter our enthusiasm. The games were played in a great spirit and we did okay as a team. The junior team was third overall, but the seniors did a lot better by winning. Thanks to the players who turned up when it was their turn to play.

Raymond and Dylan

Hockey

Once again the South West ACC Lightning Carnival was of a very high standard, with both overall winners taking out the State ACC Hockey Championship. The Girls had a successful carnival with one of the better teams in past years. Some new first year players such as Marlene Boom and Paige MacKenzie gave the team some valuable depth. Real credit must go to Melissa Hickey, Teagan Reilly, Verity Adlam and Cassie Johnson, these girls have represented the College in the past four years. Despite numerous setbacks in that period these girls have continued to be the heart of the Girls Hockey First XI. The Boys had their most successful year ever, with solid victories over Mackillop and Frederick Irwin. The Grammar team was much too strong for the Boys, however the team did manage to score one goal against them. Lewis Audino and Alex Roberts provided excellent leadership through out the carnival. Big thanks should go to Mr Peter Tyrrell who, for the past two years, has given of his valuable time to coach the girls.

Tennis

The SWISSA competition took place again on Wednesday afternoons and we had a very successful year. Numbers increased with the inclusion of Ocean Forest Lutheran School and Georgiana Molloy Anglican School as well as Bunbury Grammar and MacKillop.. In the girls open team we had Kim Wong and Camille Wilson who played every match, Laura Nation who played all but one and Jess Wallrodt, Shelby O'Dea, Leticia Donovan and Erienne Lette all played a match each. The girls won against Ocean Forest and drew against MacKillop and Grammar.

The boys also performed well. Kieran Quinn was our player, playing all matches followed by Gerard Atthowe who missed one match. Josh Walker and Luke O'Hare played two and Will O'Dea, Jesse McDonald and Sean Wong all played one match. The boys blitzed Georgiana Molloy, won against Grammar and had a narrow loss against MacKillop. All players displayed great sportsmanship and good skills. Well done on a great term of tennis!

Ms Robyn Dunnet

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Boys Junior SWISSA and Smarter than Smoking Soccer Season 2007

The beginning of term 2 meant the start of another junior soccer tournament. The season looked hopeful as the team contained a host of skilful players from Year 9 and Year 8. The team traveled to Dalyellup for their first game and eased to an 11-0 win. They then went on to win the rest of their games in the SWISSA league against MacKillop, Georgiana Molly and Grammar without conceding a single goal to seal a place in the Smarter than Smoking competition where the best of the soccer teams from around the state compete.

BCC was faced with a tough home match against Trinity College who had proven themselves by beating the favorites John Curtin soccer academy, the team that won the title in the two previous seasons. The game started well with Captain Luke Monks sending a perfectly weighted through ball to Joshua Poller who kept his nerve confidently finishing sending BCC 1-0 up. Trinity attacked constantly but the back four held strong. Yet early in the second half Trinity's pressure paid off and they equalized. Extra time looked on the cards until up and coming year 8 Callum Peniment Smye scored from a rebounded Chris Lovitt shot four minutes from time. BCC were in the final 16 with this fantastic 2-1 win.

A home game lay on the fixture list yet Seaton Catholic College refused to travel south and forced us to play on a neutral ground close to their school. The game started well with BCC scoring an early goal but Seaton came back strong and equalised very quickly. Then in the second half we again scored early putting us in the lead 2-1. We held onto this lead until 15 minutes from the end when Seaton equalised again and at 2-2 the game was evenly balanced.

Then BCC broke free with Chris Lovitt scoring a fantastic solo effort only to be robbed by an official running the line on behalf of Seaton, who judged the goal to be offside after prompting by the Seaton coach. The BCC player's contested this decision and in the confusion Seaton broke free and scored a goal with 5 minutes remaining. The BCC players tried very hard to get back in the game and pushed everyone forward but the Seaton goal keeper pulled off some fantastic saves and right on time Seaton scored a fourth. The final score was 2 – 4 and after the game the referee told the boys he had a great deal of sympathy for them as he felt that our goal was on side but he had to up-hold his linesman's decision.

Although it was a disappointment going out of the competition this team can be very proud of themselves. They did better than any previous BCC junior boy's soccer team. The future is bright for soccer at BCC and I am certain it will not be long before we get to the final. During the course of the season we had a new set of soccer goals installed on the Year 8 oval and purchased a new strip for next season.

Well done boys and keep up the good work

Mr John Poller

Senior Boys Soccer

The Senior Boy's team once again had a successful season. Although we lost one game against local opposition we progressed through the South West Champion School to the state-wide Champions School Trophy. In the local competition we try to give all boys who are interested in playing for the school at least one game. Over 20 boys represented the school in this comp.

The strongest team is picked for the next rounds against Perth schools. Our first game was against Safety Bay SHS "C' team in Bunbury. We won this game easily 7-0. In the second round we were drawn against Safety Bay SHS "A" team at their ground in Perth. Safety Bay is a specialist soccer school so a hard game was anticipated. After a very tight game the two teams were locked in a 1-1 draw and could not be separated even after extra time. Both teams had chances to win the game, we missed 3 one on ones with the keeper and they also missed an open goal. A penalty shoot out went in favour of Safety Bay.

Once again the Senior Boys acquitted themselves very well and did the school proud, playing with great sportsmanship and pride.

Mr Mick Fewster

Athletics

BCC Inter-house Athletics Carnival

Who would have thought that we would end up with such a beautiful day on which to hold this years Carnival? Well we did and everyone made the most of the day by giving their best - be it competing or officiating. All students need to be congratulated on their spirit and involvement on the day - but this couldn't happen without some wonderful 'behind the scenes' work. Thank you to all and well done.

Mr John O'Dea
HOD Health & Physical Education

THE FINAL RESULTS OF THE CARNIVAL WERE:

Valentine	3030.8 points
McAuley	3175.5 points
Marcellin	3638.3 points
Xavier	2850.3 points

INDIVIDUAL AWARD WINNERS:

U/14 Female Champion	Dena English (Valentine) 63.8 points
R/Up	Stephanie Gann (Marcellin) 40 points
U/14 Male Champion	Nicholas Banasiak (McAuley) 77 points
R/Up	Marshall Roberts (Marcellin) 56 points
U/15 Female Champion	Julia Phillips (McAuley) 75 points
R/Up	Stefanie Italiano (Valentine) 51 points
U/15 Male Champion	Keiran Jones (Valentine) 38 points
R/Up	David McKay (Xavier) 33 points
U/16 Female Champion	Erienne Lette (Marcellin) 78.5 points
R/Up	Georgina Sobejko (McAuley) 52 points
U/16 Male Champion	Ashley Chapman (Marcellin) 70 points
R/Up	Nicholas Godsell (Marcellin) 67 points
U/17 Female Champion	Erin Fee (Valentine) 103 points
R/Up	Casey Webb (Marcellin) 71 points
U/17 Male Champion	Anthony Morabito (Marcellin) 62 points
R/Up	Geoff Downes (Marcellin) 43 points
Open Female Champion	Brenda Evans (McAuley) 67.5 points
R/Up	Caitlin Davis (Marcellin) 60 points
Open Male Champion	Michael Buller (McAuley) 84 points
R/Up	Kyle McCarthy (Valentine) 82 points
Athlete of the Meet	Erin Fee
Officials of the Carnival	Tom Browning and Ashley Dilley

Swimming

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BCC INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year's Swimming Carnival was a great success and I would like to thank all who helped for making it so! The biggest thank you must go to the participants who make the night by their positive attitude to 'having a go' and enjoying the night in the right spirit.

Final standings saw Marcellin win both the Junior Division and the Overall Shields, looking like they might dominate for a long while.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ON THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS:

Under 14 Boys	Nicholas Bansiak Declan Jackson
Under 14 Girls	Sophie Cook Magan Fensham
Under 15 Boys	David Mckay Jamie Crane
Under 15 Girls	Lauren Lander Eloise Yates
Under 16 Boys	Nicholas Godsell Sam Hovard
Under 16 Girls	Kaitlyn Burns Tamsyn Roberts
Under 17 Boys	Daniel Cole Luke Freeman
Under 17 Girls	Amy Ruland Ashleigh Plaskett
Open Boys	Adam Guist Patrick Godsell
Open Girls	Kelly Bastow Paige McKenzie

Mr John O'Dea
HOD Health & Physical Education

Football

Smarter Than Smoking Cup 2007

Congratulations to our 'Smarter Than Smoking Football Cup' Squad who travelled to Perth to compete against Trinity College in the Semi-Finals. Our students have worked tremendously hard since May this year, winning the Swan Districts Division which secured them a place in the final three. This gained them their place in the semi-finals in a competition that 220 schools Statewide competed in.

Although our boys were defeated by Trinity College on the day, they tried exceptionally hard and stuck at it to the very end. They showed great sportsmanship, team spirit and their attitude and behaviour should be commended. We are very proud of their achievements! Thanks to our Umpires, Michael Parisella and Kyle McCarthy for their contribution and also to Mr John O'Dea, Ms Robyn Dunnet and Ms Hannah Buck for accompanying us on the day.

SMARTER THAN SMOKING FOOTBALL CUP SQUAD 2007

Ben Arnold
Jamie Crane
Dane Crognale
Peter Daly
Kyle Davis
Ray Giudici
Branden Hastie
Jack James
Brett Lofthouse
Nathan Marchetti
David Mazza
Shane McCarthy
Simon McDonnell
David McKay
Morgan Melvin
Luke Morabito
Will O'Dea
Brendan Philipps
Thomas Poga
Zac Relph
Nathaniel Risdon
Jakub Roney
Julian Rossiter
Cameron Seale
Kahil Tognela
Jayden Zappelli

Mr Braden Famlonga – Coach, Smarter Than Smoking Football

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Marist Netball 2007

2007 was very successful year. We had 20 teams participating in various associations with 166 players. There were 4 teams in the Bunbury Association in which all 4 teams made it into finals with two teams making it to the grand final.

There were 15 teams in the Leschenault Association with 7 teams making finals, 4 making the grand finals and 3 teams winning their Division 1, 2 and division 5 respectively. Finally the Touring Team made it to the Grand Final in the South West Regional Football / Netball League and only just lost by 3 goals.

Throughout the year, Bunbury Catholic College Marist Netball Teams were involved in several carnivals. In the Aranmore Carnival in Perth in term 1, the Year 9 rep team 1 lost the grand final by a narrow margin of 3 goals and the Year 10 rep team only lost one game in the round robin and played off for 3rd position. Another successful carnival result.

In term 2, there were 7 Bunbury Catholic College Marist Netball representative teams who competed in the South West High Schools cup in Bunbury against many schools throughout the south west. Bunbury Catholic College Marist Netball won both the junior and senior divisions (and came 3rd in the intermediate division). The two winning teams, the year 9 rep 1 team and the "touring team" went through to the elimination day representing the South West Region.

In term 3 these two teams played in Fremantle against other regional winners. The Touring Team narrowly missed out on a place in the Grand final, coming 3rd in the state. The Year 9 rep team also missed a spot in the grand final coming 3rd after 2 sets of overtime due to drawn results.

SPECIAL MENTION TO THE FOLLOWING LNA PLAYERS:

Hannah Wheeler (Legends) -
Div 2 Grand Final Fairest & Best, Div 2 Runner Up Fairest & Best
Leticia Donovan (Mars Bars) -
Div 3 Grand Final Fairest & Best
Stephanie Waycott (BCC Pink) -
Div 2 Runner Up Fairest & Best
Stefanie Italiano (BCC Red) -
Div 3 Fairest & Best
Rhiannon Shine (Comets) -
Div 5 Runner Up Fairest & Best

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS WHO RECEIVED AWARDS FOR THE MARIST NETBALL CLUB

SOUTH WEST REGIONAL FOOTBALL/ NETBALL LEAGUE

Marist Touring Team:
AMNC Player 2007– Caitlin Davis
"Team Player" Award– Analise Blackwell

BUNBURY NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Marist Yellow:
Most Improved– Emma Daley
Most Consistent– Chelsea-Meg Mighall
Yr 9 Marist Rep Team 2:
Most Consistent Player– Alysia Fogliani
Most Versatile Player– Jessica Akl
BCC White:
Most Improved Player– Casey Harris
Most Consistent Player– Shannen Leach
Marist Orange:
Most Valuable Player– Alesha Heath
Player's Player– Georgia Braund

LESCHENAULT NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Mars Bars:
Most Valuable Player– Tahlia Strother
Runner Up MVP– Dena English
Comets:
Most Consistent Player– Rhiannon Shine
Best and Fairest– Kirsty Frazer
Legends:
Most Valuable Player– Hannah Wheeler
Coaches Award/ Most Consistent– Alix Hickey
Yr 9 Rep 2 Marist Red:
Most Improved Player– Ashlin Brindley
Most Valuable Player– Holly Wilson
BCC Brown:
Most Versatile Player– Phoebe Gadd
Most Improved Player– Teagan Doyle
Marshies:
Players' Player– Caris Panizza
Most Consistent– Remy Manning
Marist Stars:
Most Consistent– Stephanie Plint
Most Improved– Clare Martella
BCC Pink:
Coaches Award– Shannon Boyle
Most Improved Player– Rebecca Doble
Coyotes:
Player's Player– Sarah Carbone
Coaches Award– Rebekah Donald
Mad Dogz:
Most Valuable Player– Stephanie Pitcher
Most Consistent Player– Tahlia Morabito
BCC Green:
Most Committed Player– Rachel Anderson
Coaches Award– Olivia Zoetelief
Purple Tang:
Most Consistent– Julie-Anne McLean
Most Improved Player– Eleanor Busby
Chickedees:
Most Valuable Player– Florence Parsons
Runner Up MVP– Camille Wilson
Golden Sparkles Under the Rainbow:
Most Consistent/Valuable– Emma Linton
Most Energetic & Improved– Bonnie Tan
Veterans:
Most Valuable Player– Brenda Evans
Runner Up MVP– Bianca Connop

2007 BCC Marist Netball Touring Team

The Bunbury Catholic College Marist Netball Touring Team 2007 has had a VERY exciting, and busy year competing in a variety of carnivals and competitions. The girls have been training since Nov 2006. They finally finished 11 months of netball at the end of the season with a nail biting grand final, 3 goal difference, to Busselton in the u/19 Regional Comp on Sunday the 29th of September. This just goes to show the quality of netballers Bunbury Catholic College had this year.

IT WAS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR THE BCC MARIST NETBALL TOURING TEAM WITH THE FOLLOWING ACCOLADES:

Premiers - West Australian Marist Netball Carnival (Perth)

Premiers - Bunbury Regional High Schools Wed Afternoon Comp (Bunbury)

Premiers - South West State High Schools Cup (South West)
3rd - Challenge Division - Australian Marist Netball Carnival (held in Victoria)

Semi Finalist - State High Schools Cup (Perth)

Grand Finalist - u/19 Football / Netball League as Donnybrook (South West)

Congratulations to the girls on their fantastic commitment throughout the 11 months. It has been an absolute pleasure to coach and manage these girls. They are a credit to Bunbury Catholic College and themselves.

Touring Team 2007

Caitlin Davis (co captain)
Brenda Evans (co captain)
Analise Blackwell (co captain)
Emma Linton,
Caitlin Hunter and
Camille Wilson (umpire)
Natasha Carbone
Erin Fee
Stephanie Pitcher
Bree-anne Milligan
Jade Clarke
Madelaine Depilato (umpire)

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS FOR THESE TEAM AWARD:

Australian Marist Netball Carnival Player 2007
Caitlin Davis

Marist Netball Touring Team "Team Player" Award
Analise Blackwell

SW Football/ Netball League F & B Umpire Votes (for this team)
Brenda Evans

Bunbury Regional Schools Competition
Emma Linton

Highly Recommended Selection in the Australian Marist Netball Carnival
Natasha Carbone

Once again it would be remiss of me to not thank the businesses, that have supported these girls over the very long season.

Thank you

William Barrett & Sons
Video Ezy
Terry Leeder Cabinets
Rod Triplett Homes
P&F Association
Peel & SW Orthodontics
Lighthouse Resort
Imaging The South
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Harvey Norman
Fonterra Brands (Peters & Brownes)
Eaton Animal Health Centre
Eagle Boys
Coates Hire
Civic Video
Catholic Development Fund
Bunnings
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Bunbury 10 Pin Bowling
Bunbury Florist
Bunbury City Sports
Bunbury City Glass
Bunbury City Fuel
BHR Papalia
BCE Surveyors
Australind Home Maintenance
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Cricket

Murray Goodwin Shield February 2007

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Rowing

2007 was an epic year for BCC rowing, resembling something out of a fairytale. It began with Alexandra Hagan (Yr 11's) and myself competing in January at the Youth Olympic Festival in Sydney, a small step below competing on an international level. The South West Schools Head of the River was the true beginning to our school rowing. After Term 4 of '06 and Term 1 of '07, teaching the new kids the basics and trying to keep the veterans in line, everyone banded together and competed with a courage and enthusiasm that put a smile on everyone's face.

The day was a huge success but unfortunately our Perth rivals John 23 College won overall, setting a new standard of competition. The next major event was the National Rowing Championships in which both myself, and Alexandra Hagan competed, plus a few exBCC students. Alex was such a great competitor, coming home with three gold medals, a silver medal and a brand new Sykes Racing single scull for winning the Breaking the Drought Schoolgirls event, beating girls who were as much as two years older. I also returned from my first Nationals with a bronze medal for being the fourth crew member in an Under 19 quad. Without any time for a break, the Schoolgirls competition in Perth at the Canning Bridge began.

From BCC came myself, Alex Hagan, Courtnee Farr, Tamsyn Roberts, Kaitlin Higgins and Laura Smith. Alex dominated and won the A Division Senior Scull and by a similar 250 meter margin I won the B Division Senior Scull, with both receiving a trophy and a shield respectively. Tamsyn and Courtnee also claimed first and second in the Year 9 Sculls, and joined with Kaitlin and Laura for a tremendous effort in the Yr 9 A Division Quad.

Rowing continued for a brave few throughout the winter, with our nominated home the Bunbury Rowing Club. State Championships were held for the first time at Champion Lakes, and between Hagan, Farr, Roberts and myself we managed to return with a couple of medals. Hagan and I then continued with Youth Cup, an interstate event with our Kiwi neighbours coming across to compete. With many thinking that our rowing lives were finished for another year it kept rolling on as Farr and Roberts were introduced to Nationals training over the summer, with myself and Hagan continuing to better our own performances and keep the younger girls going.

As school begins after Christmas holidays all rowers from this year and the newbies of '08 will dive into more training and learning for the up and coming South West Schools Head of the River. To Hagan, Fan and Roberts, thank you for a great year of fun, sweat and tears, which is all worth it for the next competition of brilliant racing and honourable sportsmanship.

Captain of the Boats, Nicole Depiazzi (Yr 12 2007)

Soccer

Girl's soccer

This year, several girls from year eight to year twelve went from school every Wednesday to various soccer fields around the schools in this area to compete in the SWISSA tournament. The girls who were in the team involved Shannon Boyle, Stephanie Plint, Bridie Fisher, Casey Webb, Stephanie Waycott, Katherine Waycott, Teagen Underwood, Ashleigh Plaskett, Olivia Plaskett, Michelle Lauren, Sarah Horton. They had a lot of fun and improved their soccer skills with the help of the coach Fred Webb.

While the girls did not win every game, they did have a memorable one against ASHS, who they narrowly beat 2-1. Great job to Casey Webb for scoring the two goals. Another school that the BCC SWISSA team versed was Georgiana Malloy, who they lost to 2-nil. However the girls played very well and were really competitive with several almost goals. But, the opposition had some really good players, and the team went down. Another game that was entertaining was when the team played Grammar, and it was pouring with rain. The girl; really got into the game even though the weather wasn't perfect. However, even though the girls were really enthusiastic; they just couldn't get over the line, and went down to a close 3-2 defeat.

It was a really good experience, as girls of all ages from the school shared skills and everyone learnt something new to put into their own game. The girls all became close friends, and had heaps of laughs and fun together.

Mr Fred Webb

Tennis

Spring Valley Tennis 2007

Bunbury Catholic College was represented by 28 students in three girls teams and four boys teams in this year's Spring Valley Tennis Classic. This year it was held at the courts in Margaret River with schools being represented from Manjimup, Margaret River, Busselton, Bunbury and Collie.

Overall the school performed very well with four of the seven teams being invited back to the next round against the other country round winners. In the Senior Boys the College had the two strongest teams whilst the Senior Girls teams came first and third. Our more experienced junior team were winners of their round whilst the other Junior Boy Team and Junior Girl team both gained great experience from playing in a structured tournament.

Unfortunately due to the very busy schedule of many of our competing sportspeople the College was unable to send teams to Perth for the Regional Play-offs due to various prior commitments. This is not so important, the event in Margaret River was enjoyed by all the student competitors and is becoming a much loved part of term one sport.

Triathlon

Interschool Triathlon

On Friday 30 March, thirty two students represented the College in the Inter-school Triathlon. This is a new event on the school calendar and the day was a huge success. The Bunbury Triathlon Club ran the event and did a fantastic job. Students could either do the event in a team or individually. There was a junior division - Year Seven, Eight and Nine and a senior division year Ten, Eleven, and Twelves. For the juniors there was a 250 metre swim, an 8km bike ride and a 2km run. For the seniors there was a 500 metre swim, 16km bike ride and 4km run. We had eight individual competitors and eight teams. All students performed exceptionally well. In the Individuals Lauren Lander blitzed the field coming in the top five for the junior event and first Year Nine girl. Georgia Mason also did a fantastic effort coming runner-up girl for the Year Eights in the Junior Division. In the Seniors we had a winning mixed team consisting of Blair Maughan, Amy Ruland and Alex Hagan. In the Senior girls we had Brenda Evans, Kelly Bastow and Katie Kouw come runners-up. All students performed exceptionally well and represented the school with pride.

Ms Frances Mason and Ms Robyn Dunnet

Volleyball

SWISSA Results
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Athletics
Tennis
Cross Country
Cricket
Rowing/Surfing
Netball
Football
Soccer
Rugby Union
Hockey/Volleyball
Golf

Indoor Volleyball

During Terms Two and Three, Bunbury Catholic College entered two teams into the Bunbury Junior Volleyball Competition. The finals were held on 11 September, in which BCC had both teams feature.

The Hard Core Ravers, a group of mainly Year Ten girls, with the addition of a Year Nine and a Year Eight student, were definitely the most improved team. The other BCC Team, was a group of three Year Eleven boys calling themselves the three AMIGOs. This team was nearly undefeated for the entire season and finished the season as Premiers in 2007. Congratulations to these students for their efforts and sportsmanship throughout the season. Congratulations also to Nicola Stevenson who was Runner-Up MVP for the season in Bunbury Junior Volleyball.

Nicola Stevenson
Runner Up MVP
Bunbury Junior Volleyball

Hard Core Ravers
Nicola Stevenson
Elle Mayhew
Bridgette MacFarlane
Emma Schleemann
Jessica Hillas
Demi Williams
Angelia Signorini
Natasha Richardson

The 3 AMIGOs
Ben Pilatti
Michael Edwards
Marc Papalia

Beach Volleyball

In term 4 this year, 3 teams from BCC entered the Junior Beach Volleyball competition held at Koombana Beach.

- **The Hard Core Sander** which comprised of Nicola Stevenson, Bridgette MacFarlane, Emma Schleemann, Demi Williams (year 10) and Apryl Papalia, Georgia Leyendekkers (year 8), which are definitely the most consistent team.

- **The Three Amigos** which was Ben Pilatti, Marc Papalia and Mitchell Leyendekkers who did not lose a game until Ben was away!

- **Mellow Yellow –** a group of year 9s who came down and have fun and maybe learnt some skills as well, which was Gemma Bickler, Tahrini Connop, Marissa Littlewood, Casey Harris, Breanna Sposato, Alana Hammond.

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The 2007 Have Sum Fun competition was the first event on the Mathematics calendar – with Bunbury Catholic College hosting 15 teams from Bunbury SHS, Manjimup SHS, Australind SHS, Frederick Irwin Anglican Community School (Mandurah), Bunbury Cathedral Grammar, Australind SHS, Ocean Forest Lutheran College, Halls Head Community College. This year the Bunbury Catholic College team was successful with a first placing in the regional Lower Secondary competition.

Congratulations to the following students who formed the winning Bunbury Catholic College team: Andrew Brandis, Johanna Lee, Jessica Akl, Daniel Chegwidden and James Nicholson

Bunbury Catholic College students also participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition – the annual competition sponsored by the Westpac Banking Corporation and administered by the Australian Mathematics Trust. Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2007 AMC. Among the certificate winners were three students who achieved a High Distinction – Tristan Depiazzi (Year 8), Jessica Akl (Year 9) and Michael Ayre (Year 12). Tristan was also the Prudence Award Winner for answering 16 consecutive answers correctly.

Once again the mathematics staff have had a very busy year and I thank them for their continued hard work and the support they provide for one another. The voluntary tutoring after hours, the sharing of resources in teaching teams and the support they have given myself and each other is priceless. This year we farewell two staff members: Dr Francis Maloba and Mr John Poller. Thank you to both of these teachers for their contribution to the College over the years they have been with us, and best wishes for the new positions they will be taking up in 2008.

Mrs Allison Fergie
Head of Mathematics.

Science

This year has been another very busy one for the Science Learning Area, as we have continued to develop the Lower School Courses with a focus on skill development incorporating the Investigating Outcome into all topics studied. We have also introduced a new textbook into Year 8, that allows students to work from home using the CD Rom provided, as well as participating in interactive Science activities. These students will continue to use the text at the next level. In Science the students are always challenged to "Communicate Scientifically" in order to develop their scientific literacy skills, such that they can make informed decisions about the world around them, and be successful when pursuing a career in Science. The addition of two new SmartBoards into S1 and S2 has further enhanced our ability to achieve this goal, as well as providing an interesting way of presenting material to students.

There were many activities and events undertaken by the students and staff. During May, approximately 180 students from years 9 and 10 participated in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools – Science Competition. Our students achieved very well, 32 receiving Certificates of Credit, and ten students achieving Distinctions. Adam Rowlandson from Year 10 achieved a High Distinction with a score of 41/45. His score was better than or equal to that of 99% of Year 10 participants in WA.

Science Week occurred throughout Australia from 18 – 24 August. BCC celebrated Science Week with activities being organised for the students by Mrs Annabel Kanakis and the laboratory staff, Mrs Salathiel and Mrs Schmitt, with a focus on Antarctica. Students were able to enter many competitions involving mostly biological aspects of the continent, and the physics of water and ice. A quiz was conducted daily, and students were treated to movies and games at lunchtimes. Giant penguins were seen around the school and the library staff set up a wonderful display for all to enjoy. Mr Colin Frederick's Year 8 class made whales and dolphins, and set up their own displays focussing on marine life, in their homeroom. The week was capped off by a staff morning tea and quiz session, with the Antarctic Theme, so many "snowballs" were consumed!

This year the Year 12 Biology students experienced an array of hands-on field work. Students were engaged in the study of the conservation and ecology in areas around Bunbury in order to enhance their understanding of these concepts within their course. Year 11 and 12 Biology students visited the Perth Zoo early in the year to study animal adaptations, and habitats and ecosystems. In late October, the Year 11 Human Biology students visited the Perth Zoo to study the primates there. Many of the students saw the orang utans at very close quarters, and realised how very like humans they really are. Some students were lucky enough to interact with some lemurs thanks to a generous keeper who allowed them into their living area.

In September, Dr Colin Hawke from UWA once again visited our Year 11 Chemistry students to discuss applications of, and careers involving, Chemistry. Emily Eakin applied for and was successful in obtaining a scholarship as a result of Dr Hawke's lecture. Kaitlin Dubrawski has been selected to attend the 2008 National Science Youth Forum. The Forum is aimed at Year 11 students who have their sights set on a future in Science, Engineering or related disciplines. The Forum is held in Canberra for two weeks in January. Students are always encouraged to pursue these opportunities, which are advertised throughout the school year, and are extremely worthwhile for students' future studies and career opportunities.

The Year 12 Physics students were treated to a great day out at Adventure World at the end of Term 3. Here they studied forces and movement within the context of playground equipment, which is part of their syllabus. The students experienced the forces first-hand and then were required to report on their findings, and perform calculations to measure forces and energy.

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The Year 11 Senior Science class was once again put to the test of solving a number of crimes around the College. This year we had more than 20 Staff members volunteer to have their reputations questioned by our budding forensic scientists in a bid to solve the crime wave that swept the College in Term 3. Mrs Morris and the students put a great deal of effort into this thorough scientific investigation, which allows them work within a real context.

On Monday 19th November, Bunbury Catholic College took part in Western Australia's first Science and Engineering Challenge held in a regional area in WA. "The Challenge" as it is better known aims to present Science and Engineering in an inspirational manner, to excite the imagination of students and provoke their interest in the fields of science and engineering. It was organized by the University of NSW and sponsored by a number of companies and universities. The Challenge has also been described as engineering sports for students as different teams need to work together in order to solve problems, design and complete tasks in a fun yet highly competitive environment. Our school was be represented by 32 students who were divided into 8 teams of 4. The teams worked very well together, and were excellent representatives of the College.

We managed third placing out of 7 schools competing in the South West Region, with Bunbury SHS just beating us for second place!! Overall, BCC managed 14th place out of 49 schools statewide!

Many staff have left the department this year. Mr Eric Douglas and Mr Mick Fewster, who has given the department and college many years of great service and fun filled lessons, are leaving to teach in other schools. Dr Francis Maloba is moving to Perth, and he will also be greatly missed by both students and staff. Miss Janine Trethowan is travelling for a year, and Mrs Jenny Rowbottom is having a career change. We wish them all the best for their future endeavours.

I would like to thank the staff for their effort and hard work this year in all aspects of work in the Science Learning Area. Next year we have the challenge of setting up the Course of Study to commence in 2009. This will no doubt see yet another very busy time in the Science Learning Area.

Mrs Annabel Kanakis
– Head of Learning Area - Science

English

2007 has been a successful year for the English Learning Area. We have been encouraged by the high standard of work produced by our Year 11 and 12 students, which in many cases demonstrated a true sense of personal engagement with the texts and the issues presented. Our Year 8-10 students have produced some excellent work in all areas, one of the highlights being both the written and dramatic responses to a Shakespeare play. We were privileged to host a visit from the Bell Shakespeare Company, who presented a workshop on the play Macbeth, which stressed its relevance to aspects of life today. In addition, our Year 11 and 12 Literature students ventured further afield to experience live theatre in Perth. Students from Year 9 and 10 have participated in a successful creative writing course organised by the Fremantle Children's Literature Centre. We look forward to reading their final published work. We continue to strive to offer our students the opportunities both within and beyond the classroom to develop the skills and understandings which will stand them in good stead in the future. Here are some snippets from the students themselves.

Ms Sarah Hindley - Head of English

Pariah

Too late to fake indifference
Our eyes met, sparking recognition.
Too soon to acknowledge your presence
Without society's permission.
Memories burn inside my mind
The will to forget, so hard to find.
Wish I could follow where you go
But these smiling strangers won't leave me alone.
I'd cast my mask aside
And walk by your side, with my head held high.
I know I'm unworthy of you.
'Cos I'm not brave and I do
What society wants me to….

Jacinta Andrade, Year 12
Published in The International Library of Poetry

Year 10

When English began in Year 10
No-one could be bothered to pick up a pen
This changed with homework every day,
in every way
Read this, write that, contrast this,
compare that.

We picked up the pace in Term 3
Shakespeare entertained us all the more
The movies and scripts sent me 'round
in a blitz
The re-enacted scene was the pits!

Despite all the odds we came back for
more in Term 4
We got right into crime and the gore
NCIS, Last Detective, Lamb to Slaughter,
Fresh Bait
In the end we were asking for more,
more, more.

Zane McGill

Year 10

"The thing I liked most about English was the viewing of crime films and dramas. They were enjoyable because they were both entertaining and I could relate to the specific genre."

Michael Robba

"We went into characterisation in more depth with Bridge to Wiseman's Cove which now makes it easier to pick it up in other pieces of writing."

Kendall Ferraro

"Writing essays were boring, although towards the end, I did get better at writing them. I guess good practice does make perfect!"

Demi Millner

"Studying English has created better organisation skills for me."

Kathleen Waycott

"Shakespeare was good for his time, but he is boring for ours."

Ryan Seale

"The funniest thing we did this year was the watching of crime TV shows and presenting and performing our own crime scenes in class."

Jason Beard

Year 10

The face stared at me blankly
It's hands ticking slowly, slowly, slowly
"You're up now."
Reality hit me as cold as ice, my heart
Pounding in a desperate attempt to escape.
"I hate orals," I though slowly, silently, solemnly

My face was glowing like fresh tomatoes
My head was spinning, swaying
Next minute I was up with my partner,
Her face staring blank as white paper.
50 eyes stared at us, waiting, watching, wondering

"Just look at the pictures and describe what they are."
"Ok, just tell them everything you know."
So … my brain unravelled itself
Spilling out all the knowledge it knows
And then … my voice screamed out in surprise
As I received my marks, my heart leapt.

Although English taught me a lot this year
I would never forget this promising occasion
From texts to movies, orals to written, crime to classic stories
My heart will remember the amazing experience
Of the cultural oral

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Year 9 S&E

"In Year 9 S&E we discussed many interesting topics, from convicts and settlers to our many needs, wants and resources. My personal favourite was learning about the early convicts and settlers."

– Kate Green

"We studied three main topics: Law and Government, Australian History and Our Consumer Society. We researched interesting people like John Boyle O'Reilly. We definitely have a better understanding of Australia and its history."

– Nicola Andersson

"We did lots of stuff in S&E from learning about Australian troops fighting fearlessly in Beersheeba to how we fit into the economy. Many of these activities were enjoyable, but my favourite one was definitely when we had to decide how we would survive in a plane crash in the Alps."

– Jotham Martins

"Researching soldiers from World War II was my favourite activity. I loved reading about their experiences and learning their personal history. These soldiers died for their country and it's only fair we respect and honour them."

– Hannah Keeffe

"I loved learning about war, as it makes me personally feel lucky to not have been one of the brave men involved in the war."

– Julian Rossiter

"One of the best things we did in S&E was playing two-up. Two-up is a game played on ANZAC Day when we remember the Australians that went to war."

– Jay Mincham

"My class election was fun and had lots of surprises, because we had to think of our own party name then organise party members, speeches, banners, posters, how-to-vote cards and much more. Everyone did a great job preparing for the election."

– Ivy Licup

"The topic I liked best was economics because it was a topic I didn't know much about but economics happens all around us. It includes resources, economic flows and problems, cash, credit and advertising."

– Phoebe Gadd

"We had been learning about resources and mining, so as a fun exercise we were all given a choc-chip biscuit and we had to 'mine' out all the chocolate chips using two toothpicks. Some of the challenges I faced were trying to keep the biscuit with the mining lease area and rehabilitating the site after mining."

– Jordan Bennett

Year 9 S&E

This year has been an exciting and intriguing learning experience. In the beginning we were all looking forward to learning about government as it was our first term topic. We learnt about rules, laws and the process in which a bill is passed.

Mr Castrilli even came in to speak to us about his role in government. After learning about this, we moved into term two and learnt about life in the 19th century. This included convicts, federation and the discovery of gold, which was all very new to most of us.

Throughout this topic we completed federation essays and watched movies about the Goldfields. After this, we completed an investigation about the death of Stan Harrison. We had to use our knowledge from previous tasks to come to a conclusion about where and how Stan died. We all had different opinions and ideas but when we put them all together we came up with the solution.

After this we began learning about the economy. This included wants and needs, our resources and learning about different forms of payment. Throughout this topic we learnt how to separate our wants from our needs. At the end of the year, we finished off with advertising.

This was great fun as we got to build our own dioramas and run our own business. We learnt the roles in which a business needs to operate. These included a business manager, sales person and an advertising executive. We then made speeches to the class about our business.

Overall this year Society and the Environment has been a great success and lots of fun.

By Hannah Wheeler and Ashleigh Hawke.

What Happened GO GREENS?

The results have finally been tallied and an unexpected, disappointing result for GO Greens receiving 2.6% of votes. The winner of the election is P.E.D.R.O, receiving 59.1% votes. 6 to 1 came second with a result of 18.8% and Naughts and Crosses receiving 14.7%. The subject on everybody's mind is what went wrong for "GO Greens'.

As a member of this party our aim was to convince the students that our party was out to strike a balance between economics, social and environmental issues 7 in Bunbury Catholic College. During the campaign GO Greens created policies that would benefit the school as a whole but failed to anticipate student disapproval.

Posters were prepared, speeches written and voting cards made. Our first speech to the year eights was based on introducing our party and implementing policies to benefit the students. Unfortunately we were not successful in completing our presentation as some members of the party failed to read the entire speech. This was due to a lack of preparation.

This set back did not deter the party's goal. On Election Day all parties proceeded to hand out voting pamphlets and display posters with their appropriate parties. GO Greens were not persuasive in their approach to the voters as they stood quietly holding their posters. P.E.D.R.O won because of their competitive attitude. GO Greens policies were suitable but the students were not persuaded by them.

Written By Michelle Francki

MUNA Weekend

MUNA stands for Model United Nations Assembly and is organized by the Rotary Club of Harvey. It is an occasion where teams from various schools across WA gather to represent their chosen countries in a debate. This year, MUNA was held on the 25th and 26th of August at Camp Mornington. We were the team from BCC and chose to represent France.

The weekend was great fun and very helpful and instructive with regards to public speaking and debating. We learnt much about international politics, alliances and arguments that are common in the United Nations. And so, with our croissants, berets and outrageous French accents we were able to 'walk in the shoes' of another country, learning something of their culture and opinions on world issues.

Carly Maughan and Judit Gildenhuys

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BCC Learning Centre

This year saw some changes in the staffing within the Learning Centre. Ms Lorna Walsh was on leave for the year and replaced by Mrs Susanne Williams. We welcomed Ms Jan Ryan back from her long service leave and also gained the bright and bubbly Mrs Pauline Callegari. Mrs Kelli Carlisle left in Term 3 to add a healthy baby boy to her family soon after. Many students access the Centre over the year for a multitude of reasons. Some enter simply to complete unfinished work or assessments whilst others participate in both short and long term intervention programmes. There are also students for whom the centre offers a very specialised and individual educational programme.

Three nights a week the Centre is open for what we affectionately refer to as 'The Homework Club'. This club is open to all and offers some assistance in completing homework for students who, for whatever reason, are not able to complete their work alone in the library or at home. Another programme that runs through the Learning Centre is a Business Enterprise Unit. This year the students involved, managed several money making ventures and they culminated with a camp held in Busselton. As part of the camp the students were required to plan and budget for their meals as well as cook and clean for themselves. The students took part in all aspects with enthusiasm and their level of collaboration and cooperation before and during the camp was incredible.

It has been a wonderful year and 2008 promises to be even more exciting and rewarding.

My Camp

Last week we went on a school camp to Busselton. We stayed at the Geographe Bay Resort for two nights. Jessica, Monique, Ryan, Matthew, Katharine and I all travelled on a mini bus with Mrs Williams driving us each day. We went swimming with Mr Famlonga, we played mini golf and we walked along the jetty to visit the Underwater Observatory. We saw eagles and an owl at the Eagle's Heritage and we visited the Chocolate Factory. I liked going away on camp because I had a great time.

Creed James Year 10 - Business Skills Group

Perth Trip

Jess and I went to Perth to showcase the Mother's Day treat boxes that our Business Skills group had made. The boxes were bright and colourful with chocolates, tea, coffee and a fortune card inside. Everyone in the group took turns at folding, curling the ribbons and filling the boxes. Although it was time consuming it was fun and everyone worked well as a team. Katharine and I had to present our boxes and give a speech in front of a large audience of teachers and students from other schools. We also told them how we made the boxes and what was in them. The Director of Catholic Education bought the first box. We had the opportunity to look at other schools' displays and we bought some products from them and they bought some of ours. There were chaplets, bath salts, chocolates, flowers and tomato plants for sale as well as a delicious morning tea all prepared by students. We sold heaps and we made lots of money while we were up there. It was a good day because we also made some new friends from other schools like Mercedes and La Salle.

By Jessica Cook and Katharine Reilly

Morning Tea for Staff

We chose to do morning tea by putting all our choices on the board of things we wanted to do. Then we voted on what we wanted. First got three votes each time and we eliminated one of the things that were least popular and we kept getting fewer choices until we ended up with making and selling morning tea for the staff. The first things we made for the staff were cheese muffins, honey crackles and chocolate coconut brownies slice. Then we made mini cheese muffins, some cheese scones and scones with jam and cream. The staff thought our cooking was very good and they thought if we did it again they would buy the things that we made. If the staff wanted a snack on the Friday then they had to pay $2 per serve. It was very successful because we ended up making a substantial amount of money for the next thing that we do in Business Skills. We would like to thank all the Learning Centre staff for helping us to do all the cooking.

By Matthew Brennan and Ryan Brennan

Information Technology

Information Technology Report for 2007

This has been a very busy year for the Information Technology area. Students have been engaged in many different aspects of I.T., such as the ICT classes, Digital Graphics, Computer Graphics plus the upper school courses of Media Studies, Applied Information Technology and Technical Graphics. As well as these subjects, students have used the I.T. for all other subject areas. The computer labs have been fully booked all year, which clearly indicates that this type of technology is in great demand across the whole curriculum.

The use of a special technology, called Interactive Whiteboards, has also been new to our college this year. Whilst the primary schools have been with this technology for a little while, we have only recently adopted this to our classroom use. More will be made of these electronic classroom boards next year, as we will have a few more installed over the Christmas break.

The school hall has also been influenced with a technological upgrade this year. After much planning, we have installed a large projection screen, with a suitable projector, to provide for presentations to large audiences, such as a whole year group of students. This new facility will certainly provide more opportunities for our students to enjoy special presentations when the need arises.

On the classroom front, the I.T. Team, that supports our entire network issues has worked tirelessly to ensure very little down time of our computer system. This clearly allows our classroom time to be most effectively used for the teaching and learning activities. Special Thanks to Mr. Everitt and Mr Fitzgerald for their efforts.

We head into 2008 with much hope for another year of technological experiences that really allow us to do special things. An example of this is the Service Learning days spent in Term 4 this year, when a group of Year 10 students spent two days using our technology to produce special decals for toy trucks, some Christmas cards, some activity pages for children to use over the holiday break and some brochures. All these products were for charitable groups or other non-profit community groups, as part of the service learning program.

Mr Peter Hogan
Head of Information Technology

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Home Economics Report – 2007

Once again, for the Home Economics Department at BCC, 2007 has been a very busy and productive year. During Semester one, under the guidance of Mrs Ashby, the year 12 Food Production students prepared a range of savoury foods, and then served these during Morning Tea, to the Year 8s and their mothers, in celebration of Mother's Day.

The next catering event for the year 12s, was a formal Christmas In July dinner, to which students invited guests, either their parents or friends. The girls excelled themselves in the planning, preparation and serving of an excellent meal. The final significant event for this group, was when they catered for the guests and performers at the Music in Society evening. The many positive comments received, indicated how successful the catering for this evening was.

In keeping with tradition, the small but capable group of year 11 Food Production students, again prepared and served a delicious breakfast to a large group of staff members. Once again the staff were pampered and well fed. It was a perfect start to the College's Feast day celebrations, for those staff who attended the breakfast.

To celebrate Father's Day, a breakfast was co-ordinated and provided by the Home Economics Department, early in September. Many lucky Dads and their year 8 children enjoyed this meal together. Recognition also needs to be given to the volunteer staff and students who assisted in cooking and serving this breakfast, arriving at school at 6 am to do this.

Finally Home Economics was also responsible for providing delicious food for the special guests, staff and students who attended the Performing Arts Opening ceremony and the Year 12 graduation celebration.

Ms Lucy Lenard – Teacher-in-charge

Aeronautic Design

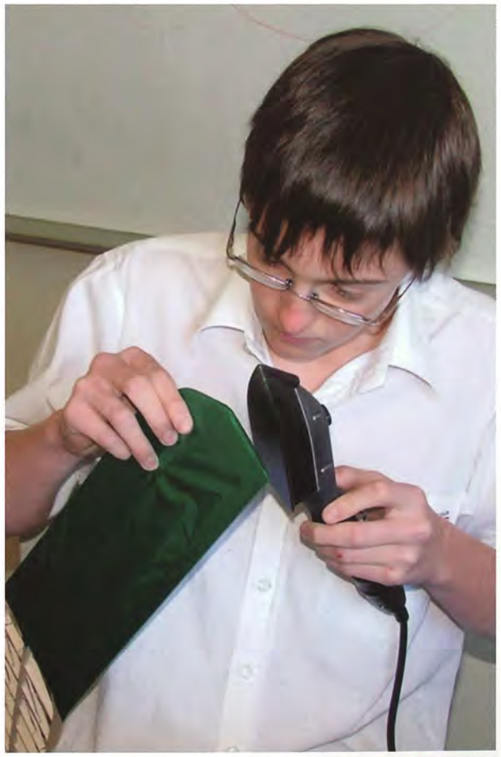
Year 9 Aeronautics Extension

Once again Year Nine Aeronautics was an enjoyable and successful experience for most of the students involved in the class. The subject ran for three lessons per cycle. Some students choose the subject for one semester and some of the keener students do it for two semesters. In Semester One, students built four planes of increasing complexity which were used to introduce them to the skills required to build, tune and eventually design their own glider. In Semester Two they are shown how to design their own glider (to a standard size and basic shape) – then have to draw, build, tune and compete with it. All the Semester Two models were successful.

This year's prize winner for Aeronautics was Rhys Williams. Rhys built the best planes, demonstrated an understanding how to trim a plane and won the final competition of the year with his own design glider, with six winning flights in the time available. Harley Tyrrell came a close second with five winning flights

It was a good fun year and some of the students also joined the aero club group which ran on Friday after school.

Mr Chris Barrenger



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Year 11

Students in Year 11 Early Childhood Studies examined the area of language development in children. They were required to plan, develop and construct a felt storyboard activity to implement with young children.

Throughout term 2 we visited the children at St Josephs Kindergarten and Pre Primary centers. This was a fantastic opportunity to interact with young children. One of the visits involved implementing the language storyboard activity with these classes. It was a terrific learning experience for the Year 11 students.

Mrs MaryAnne Ashby
Early Childhood Studies Teacher

Year 12

Students in Year 12 Early Childhood Studies had the opportunity to run a school based playgroup located here at the College, twice a week throughout term 3. This playgroup proved to be a great success with very high attendance by mums and dads and their children.

Year 12 students were required to research activities suited to 2- 5 year olds and implement these activities with the children. Healthy snacks were also planned and prepared for the children. Parents were encouraged to relax and enjoy the session whilst the Year 12 students entertained their children. The culmination of the playgroup session was an end of term playgroup party involving fun activities and games and of course party foods.

Mrs MaryAnne Ashby
Early Childhood Studies Teacher

Technology & Enterprise

Furniture Design and Technology

2007 attested to another year of diverse furniture production for both Year Eleven and Year Twelve Students. Students mirrored Industry methods in design, construction, joinery and finishing techniques to produce many functional and worthwhile articles of furniture. Completed projects ranged from coffee and hall tables, bedside cabinets and garden bench seats through to unique styles of shelving and a Westminster Chime pendulum clock.

Quite a number of students, as in previous years, developed their pieces around recycled timber such as re-dressed Jarrah fence pickets, home grown timber previously milled and seasoned and other timber recycled by the Design and Technology Staff. Students throughout their tasks and projects acquainted themselves well in the use of the extensive array of hand tools, machines and power tools of the workshop.

Mr Rod Slater, Mr Peter Kenny

Wood Design

I did woodwork for the whole year and enjoyed every minute of it! What I enjoyed most about woodwork was that even though we had to do a certain project, we were able to design it ourselves. So the whole class was doing the same project but each one looked different and were all done well.

In first semester, we made a photo frame in the shape of surfboard, a paper towel holder and a box. There were some fantastic designs for all three projects and after we finished the projects we were given free rein to do what we wanted as long as we came up with the design.

In semester two, we made a tray, another paper towel holder(which I made into a cup holder instead) and a book end or box. A few of us tried with varied success at making a table which, given a bit more time, would have looked even better.

Jessica Akl

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SAL 2007

Our experience in the School Apprenticeship Link for 2007 has been a great opportunity and a big adventure for all of us. We have all worked very hard throughout this year to achieve our best results in Beauty, Retail and Hairdressing. The School Apprenticeship Link involves learning about each service whether it has been Beauty, Retail or Hairdressing and you also have the chance of going to a particular work placement to learn about the service they are providing, you also get to meet new and exciting people.

By being involved with this program for 2007 it has opened up a wide range of opportunities for us to make our own life decisions about the career that we are heading towards.

We would recommend this to any one who has an interest in one of these particular services.

Rebecca Rowe and Aliesha Scimmone

External Certificate Courses

My week consists of three days at school and on Thursday and Friday I go to TAFE. I'm currently studying a Certificate 2 in Music at the Rock n Roll High School. In 2008 I will continue working towards my Certificate 3 and Year 12 Graduation while attending Bunbury Catholic College.

It is very hard work juggling all of this along with Structured Workplace Learning and my out of school commitments but hopefully I'm on the right track to realize my goal to attend the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts.

The number of pathways and options available to students while at school to pursue careers, dreams or passions are many and these offer opportunities to make school relevant and your future even closer.

Courtney Downes

Structured Workplace Learning (SWL)

Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) for Year 11 and 12 students in 2007 was very successfully implemented this year. Around 90 students were involved in the scheme which allowed them to experience different workplace environments, a variety of staff/workmates, and various styles of administrators/supervisors. Apart from an odd exception, the SWL placements were very successful with the students gaining valuable knowledge, experience and skills, while the employers were happy with the extra temporary "employee".

Our students are very appreciative to their workplaces for the opportunities afforded to them — as it has either confirmed their choice of vocation or shown that they need to look further to find another suitable field of employment. At least a dozen students have gained apprenticeships or traineeships directly from their SWL work site.

Bunbury Catholic College extends to all of the companies (our "workplaces"), our very sincere thanks for taking on our students, and that you all have a great Christmas and a very productive New Year.

Mr John Grieve

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WORK EXPERIENCE GIVES STUDENTS NEW DIRECTION

Article published, Bunbury Mail Wednesday July 11, 2007. Written by Bunbury Catholic, Year 10 student, Jesse Parmar.

From the 2nd-6th July, Year 10 students from various schools in the greater Bunbury region received a taste of life in the workforce.

The work experience program gave the opportunity for students to engage in a particular occupation.

Students selected a workplace, and for the next week, observed and worked in that particular trade.

Bunbury Catholic College careers advisor, Peter Selby, said work experience was an excellent opportunity for students to investigate different careers as well as different tasks and responsibilities.

"Work Experience provides students with an idea of what employers expect in terms of dress, behaviour and work ethic," he said.

"It also teaches work experience students about the responsibilities that are shared between employers and employees.

"Also, it gets young people to think about and make plans for after school as well as choosing their TEE/TAFE subjects."

The Bunbury Mail took in four work experience students: Eleanor Ryan (15), Kayla Lepidi (15) and Jesse Parmar (15) from Bunbury Catholic College, and Meg Dickson (14) from Donnybrook District High School.

Miss Dickson said work experience had positively changed her views and expectations of the workforce.

"Through work experience I've learnt to work efficiently and co-operatively around fellow employees"

Kayla said that the week encouraged her to think about what she would like to pursue after high school.

"I've learnt how organization and creativity are important" said Kayla.

Bunbury Mail managing editor Doug Green said while work experience was a valuable tool for students preparing for the future, it also benefitted businesses.

"Local Businesses get the opportunity to support local students and encourage them to look at their business industry as a possible employer."

Jesse Parmar

WORK EXPERIENCE

I did work experience as a journalist at Bunbury Mail. It was good to get an idea of life and the areas that we were able to work in. It helped me to understand what iw ant to be later in life.

Erienne Lette

Work experience was great fun. I was at TME in bunbury and received lots of advice from people there. It really gave me an insight into the field of work I am interested in getting into after I leave school.

Jake Lombardo

For work experience I went to RTW where I helped make many different things for the work shop. For my work I was asked to get an apprenticeship and start there in 2008. I really liked the opportunity to do this and it would be good to continue it for further years.

Ben Prowse

I went to South Western Times newspaper. I did some advertisement sort of stuff and drew on the computer. It was fun. I decided that I do definitely want to do that as a career.

Cale Arnold

My work experience was great, I learnt a lot about what it takes to become a painter. It was a good experience because it was great in me knowing what it is going to take.

Shannon Boyle

Year 8

'You will reap what you sow'.

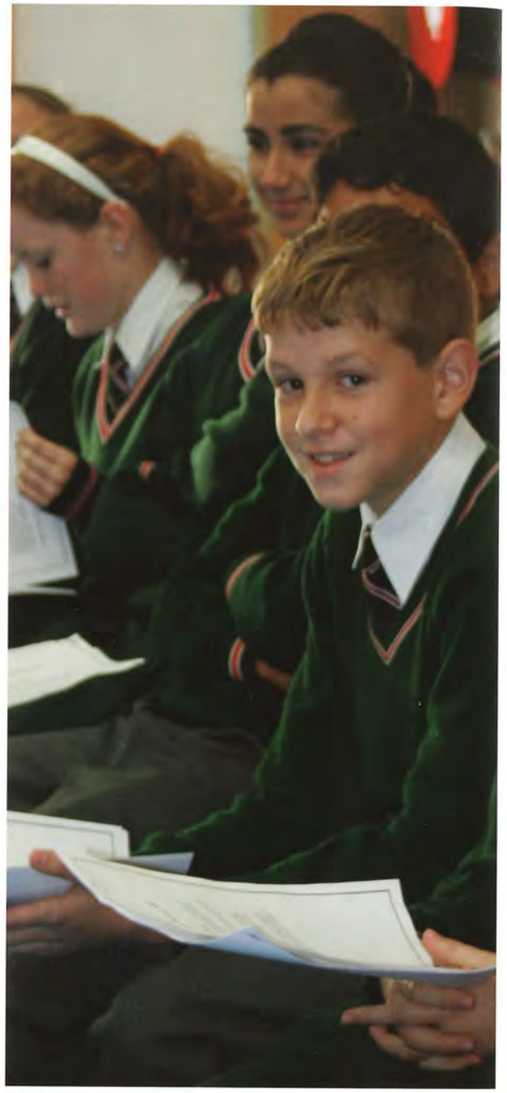
That simple message was the catalyst behind all Year 8 initiatives during 2007. Fortunately, many students totally immersed themselves into life at Bunbury Catholic College ensuring that they grabbed hold of the many opportunities available to them at our College. Year 8 students were encouraged to not accept mediocrity in relation to their efforts, attitudes and goals. From organising the ANZAC Day ceremony for the entire College community to being an integral part of the Year 7 Orientation Day, Year 8 students rose to the many challenges set before them. Whether it was academic or sporting, arts or leadership, Year 8 students quickly developed an appetite for participation across a broad spectrum of activities.

Medieval Day, Year 8 Retreat and the Year 7 Orientation provided the College community with further evidence that this Year 8 group has come of age. I am proud of the way these students volunteered, participated and sacrificed their own time for the benefit of others. The Year 8 'Integrated Studies' program is an ideal platform for students to launch their assault on Secondary Education. The challenge for these students is to continue 'sowing' for their futures. The experiences and opportunities presented to them in Year 8 are designed to give them confidence, hunger and ambition, all of which are key ingredients to success.

I would like to acknowledge the work of the Year 8 Team. Being a Year 8 Homeroom Teacher requires special characteristics, notably pastoral and nurturing qualities. Mr Oli Maratea, Mrs Vivien McKenzie, Ms Wendy Creado, Mr Fred Webb, Ms Rachel Moore, Ms Casey Sawyer, Mr Colin Fredericks, and Ms Taryn Tapper have all been wonderful support to me and have made a lasting impact on the Year 8 student body. Thankyou for your patience, professionalism and genuine care for each of our students. Just as we began the 2007 year with a Welcome Mass for Year 8's, we concluded the year with a Mass in the College Chapel to thank God for our many blessings and to remind our students not to waste their God given talents.

Finally, it has been a privilege to play a small part in the lives of so many wonderful students and I wish them the best as they continue onto Year 9 in 2008.

Mr Mark Cummins
Year 8 Coordinator



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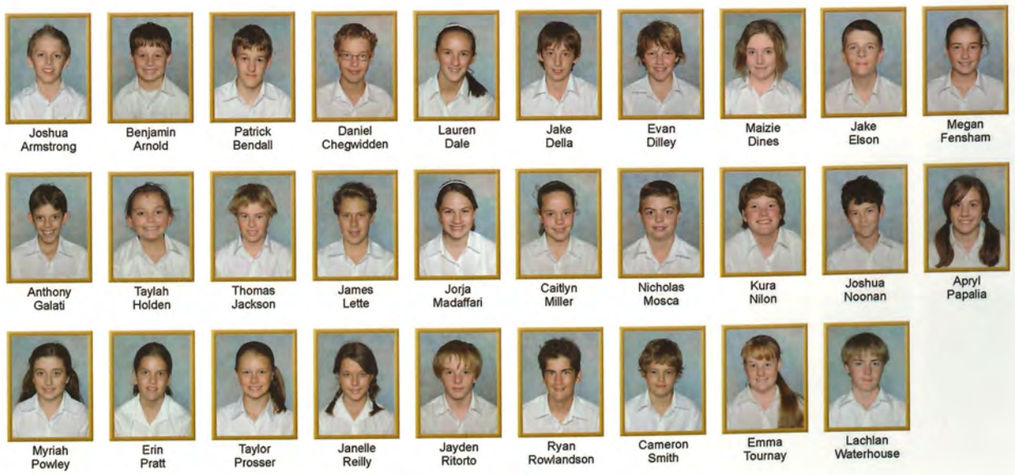

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Cobie Archer

Nicholas Banasiak

Shenae Bearman

Mark Cleggett

Sophie Cook

Emma Dalton

Reece Depiazzi

Dena English

Zack Fimmano

Evan Fowler

Kirsty Frazer

Tyler Giles

James Griffith

Sean Howard

Mary Jack

Steven Kelly

Blake Marsh

Stephanie Nicolao

Summer Parravicini

Daniel Prowse

Andrew Scott

Tyler Spence

Emilia Stachurski

Logan Triplett

Joel Verhagen

Luke Wilson

Jamil Yeo

Devlin Zoetelief

Absent: Katelyn Thomson.

YEAR 8M

Jenna Boyd Wayman

Rebecca Clark

Dylan Crispin

Declan D'Agostino

Erin Dilley

Blake Greenacre

Branden Hastie

James Hickey

Benjamin Hingston

Declan Jackson

Shannen King

Ayden Lee

Evie Lovett

Joshua McMillan

Simon Nixon

Nicola Panorios

Amelia Parisella

Nathan Pesce

Olivia Plaskett

Abbie Reilly

Marshall Roberts

Rhiannon Shine

Warwick Smith

Stephanie Spinelli

Benjamin Szabadics

Craig Talbot

Annie Taylor

Brooke Vivian

Jayden Zappelli

YEAR 8S

Tristan Clark

Samantha Cotterell

Tristan Depiazzi

Leticia Donovan

Reece Emery

Naomi Fimmano

Ryan Galati

Kelly Grieves

Jillian Harris

Jye Horan

Michaela Ierace

Daniel Kearney

Mark Manea

Remy Manning

Maxwell O'Connell

Will O'Dea

Kiera Rodgers

Jayson Schreurs

Benjamin Soldo

Andrew Spaven

Sophie Starr

Jaxon Tann

Samantha Taylor

Jarrod Thomas

Emma Townsend

Brenden Wells

Tayla Woodcock

Absent: Brody Munday, Daniel Pilatti.

Year 8

YEAR 8T

Pierce Coughlan

Hannah Farrier

Kelsey Gerdei

Zane Gordon

Bob Grant

Harley-Rose Hart

Luke Ieraci

Michael Ireland

Anthony Italiano

Belinda Kalache

Michelle Lauren

Christopher Laurino

Ellise Laventure

Samuel Martyn

Shannen McDonnell

Chelsea-Meg Mighall

Kayla Morabito

Dylan Nietrzeba

Callum Penman-Smythe

Timothy Peskett

Amelia Radford

Kea Ramsay

Katrina Ryan

Christopher Seymour

Angelia Signorini

Anton Versaci

Mercedes Whelan

Shaun Wong

YEAR 8V

Bradley Brennan

Leigh Cassidy

Mitchel Coulton

Jack Doust

Emma Faulkner

Elliot Frost

Kodee Guglielmana

Noel Hinton

Antonia Keen

Georgia Leyendekkers

Georgia Mason

Shane McCarthy

Rebecca Michel

James Nash

Rachel O'Donoghue

Luke O'Hare

Caris Panizza

Stephanie Parmar

Caitlin Peos

Emilie Pimm

Kimberley Reale

Nathaniel Risdon

Emily Sharp

Juliette Sorgiovanni

Brodie Stewart

Tahlia Strother

Daniel Temple

Joshua Walker

Ryan Warnock

YEAR 8W

Breanne Ashby

Jack Bartholomew

Aimee Befumo

Joshua Bluett

Emma Daley

Kiara Damiani

Jayden Depiazzi

Pearl Enjolras

Brandon Fiore

Stephanie Gann

Jack Glover

Rhys Griffith

Rebecca Hinton

Matthew Lancaster

Jake Martin

Mariah Maughan

James Nicholson

Olivia Nolan

Aaron Offer

Megan Pedulla

Kristopher Raper

Krystal Ruland

Anthonie Sanchez

Cameron Seale

Justin Stefanovich

Kaneisha Timpani

Kyle Tosana

Cameron Vallesi

Elizabeth Wickens

Nicholas Wilson

Year 9

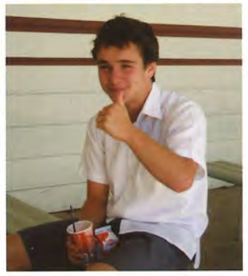
The year 9 students of 2007 have had a very successful and enjoyable year. They have shown themselves to be a very mature, hard working and friendly bunch of students. Religious Education played a major role across the Year 9 area in 2007. For the first time, the Year 9 students participated in a two day Retreat. One day was run by College staff and the other day was run by the Youth Mission Team. The focus for the two days was sexuality and the students need to be commended on the mature way they conducted themselves. Another aspect of the Religious Education Programme saw the year 9 group undertake Christian Service learning for the first time. All students had to spend five hours performing Christian Service around their homes and five hours Service to the College community.

This programme was run through RE classes. Thankyou to the Religious Education teachers for their efforts in running this programme. Thanks also to the students for their efforts in providing this service at their homes and to the College community. Several students showed their prowess on the sporting field throughout the school year. The year 9 netball and soccer teams did extremely well in their competitions whilst the Australian Rules Football team deserve a special mention finishing third in the Smarter Than Smoking competition. This competition saw over 200 hundred schools from across the state enter. Well done to the boys and all year 9 students who represented the College in any sporting team.

Students who have behaved well in class have been given raffle tickets and rewarded at Year Assemblies. Each semester we had a draw to reward students who had behaved well. Congratulations to Hannah Wheeler and Luke Monks who won the semester draws. Another first for Year 9 students saw students participate in the Work@9 programme. This programme had students attend ALCOA at Wagerup for six days. The programme had students learn theory in the classroom in the morning and then apply the theory to the workshop in the afternoon. The students involved enjoyed this programme were a credit to the College.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Year 9 homeroom teachers and parents for their support over 2007. With homeroom teacher and parent support the students have done a fantastic job of keeping focussed and working hard. Good luck in 2008 to all the Year 9 students.

Mr Braden Famlonga
Year 9 Coordinator



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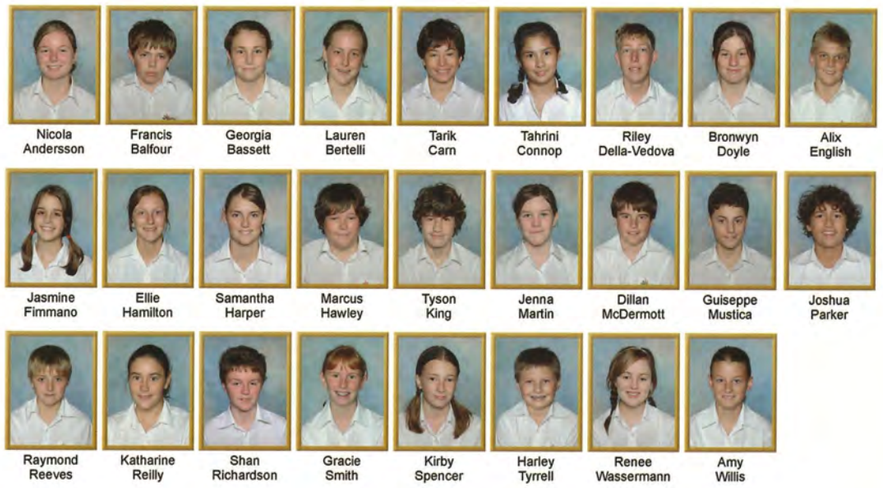

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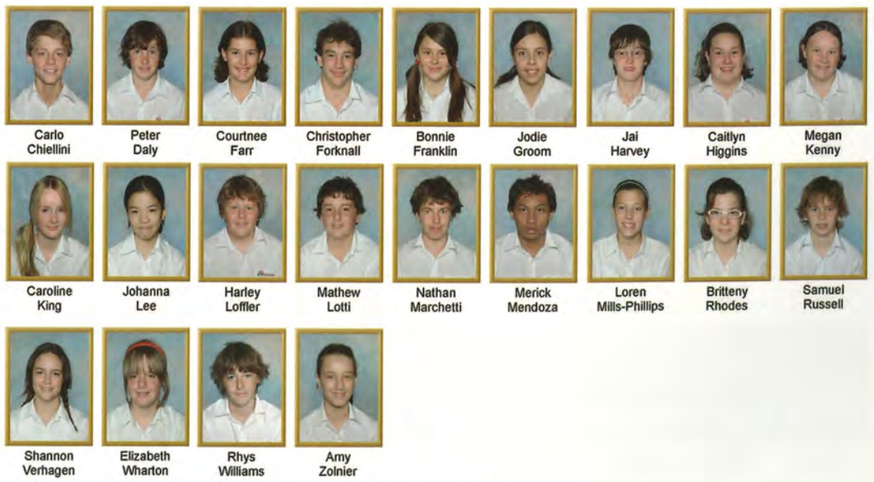

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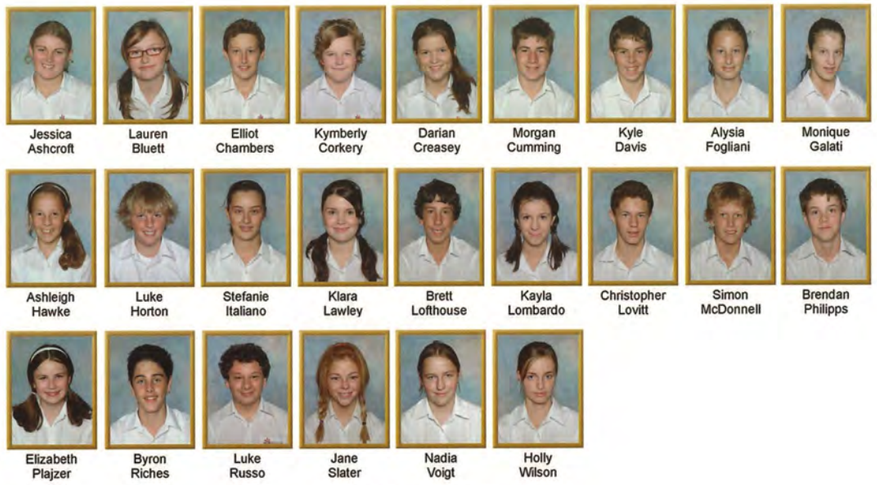

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Absent: Brandon Antonovich, Jordan Ghasseb.

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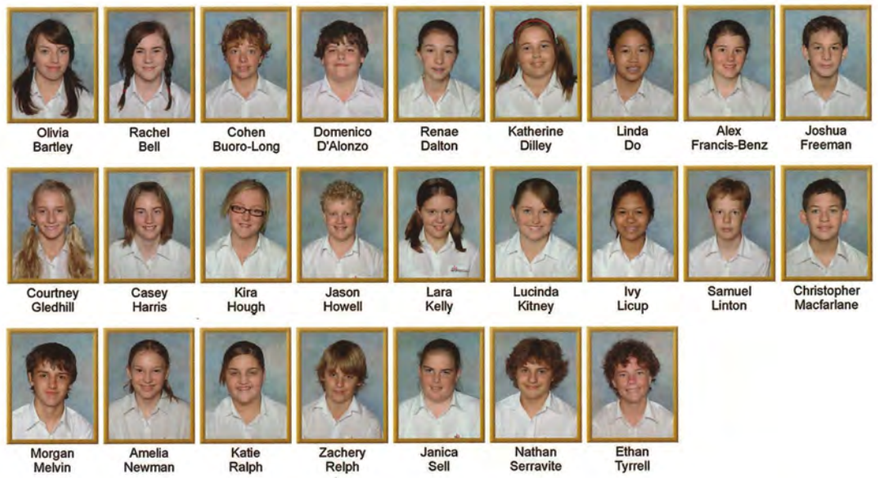

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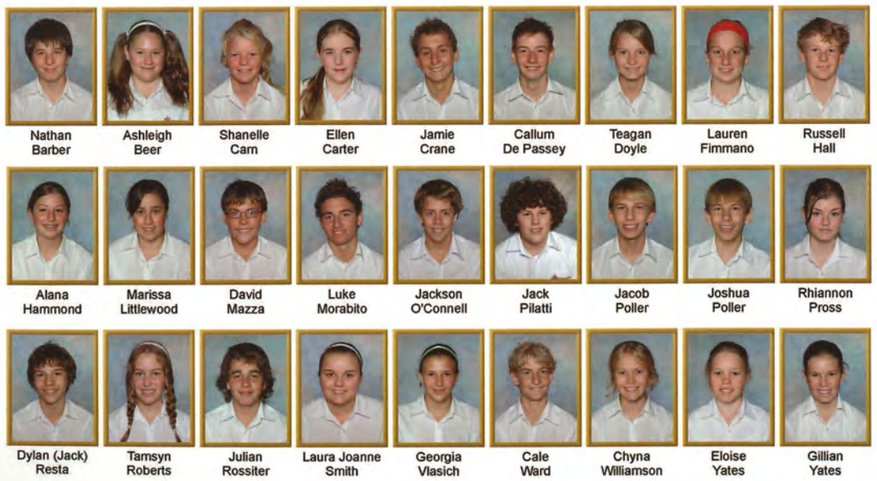

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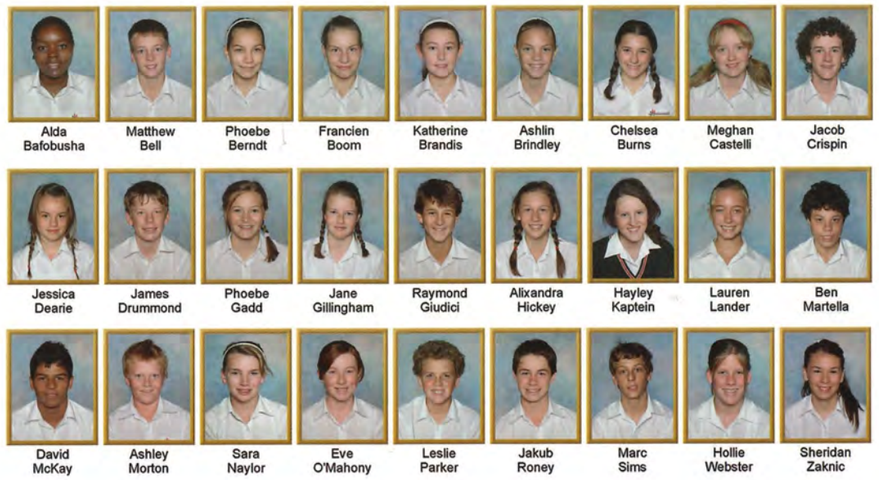

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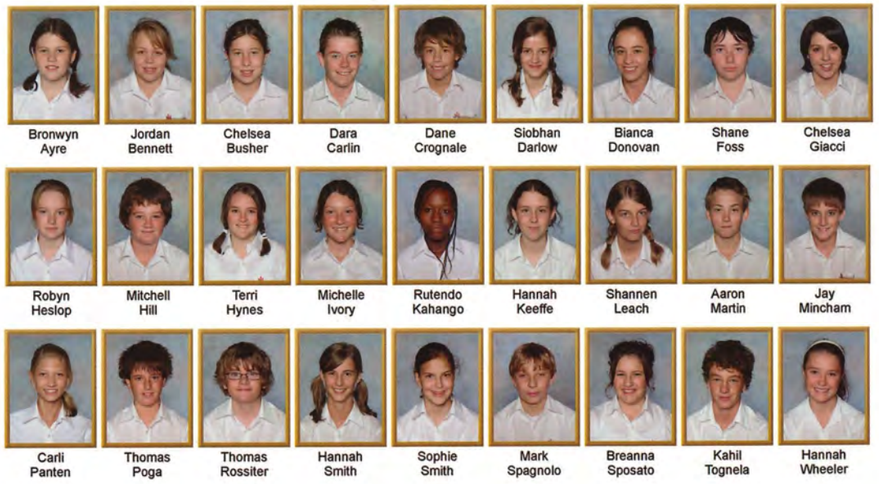

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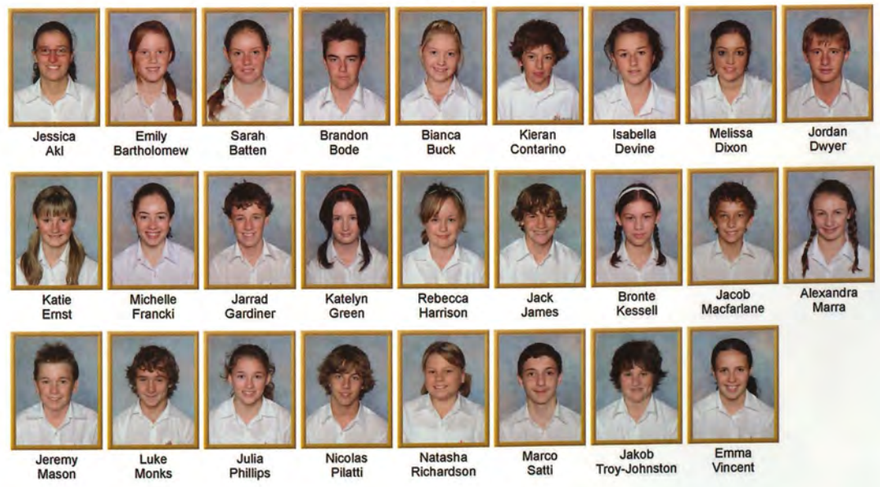

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Jeremy Mason, Luke Monks, Julia Phillips, Nicolas Pilatti, Natasha Richardson, Marco Satti, Jakob Troy-Johnston, Emma Vincent

Year 10

Legends..... is what they call themselves.

It took a while to get the ball rolling, threats of me singing didn't seem to make a difference and even work experience for the first time in a long time back in year 10, didn't seem to ignite too much passion and then in term 4 it started to all come together. There were a few new initiavites for year 10 this year:

- Work Experience in Term 2. A week off school to try and discover what career path may be an option.
- Christian Service Learning – 2 days off school to help those in need, a very worthy and well received cause by all involved.
- Year 10 shirts organized by the SRC yr 10 2007
- Of course the yr 10 social – that unfortunately didn't happen

I am sure due to the success of these events, which was in turn due to the wonderful students involved in them, most of these iniaitives will continue for the future year 10s.

The SRC of year 10, finally started to show their capabilities, leading into term 4 organising the LEGENDARY Year 10 shirts, a Social and general activities. Of course the rest of the year wasn't without its memories, for example, the 2 day year 10 retreat in term 2– how frustrating was that Star Power Game?
" It's not fair!" ....Ummm... that was the point, sometimes life isn't fair!

Each year, each group has its unique qualities. This group of year 10s had theirs. It is always a pleasure to see these students come in at the beginning of year 9 and leave at the end of year 10, much more mature, wiser, and it seemed that they had more of an idea which pathway they might follow. A wonderful group of students! I wish them well in year 11 and 12 and for some that leave us to take up apprenticeships or training, I hope that you all take some of the life skills with you... even if it is just "if you what you have to say is not nice, honest or necessary – Don't say it."

Thank you again for a wonderful 2 years. I hope you enjoyed them too. Good Evening .. or is it Morning.. ..maybe Afternoon.....

Ms McLean

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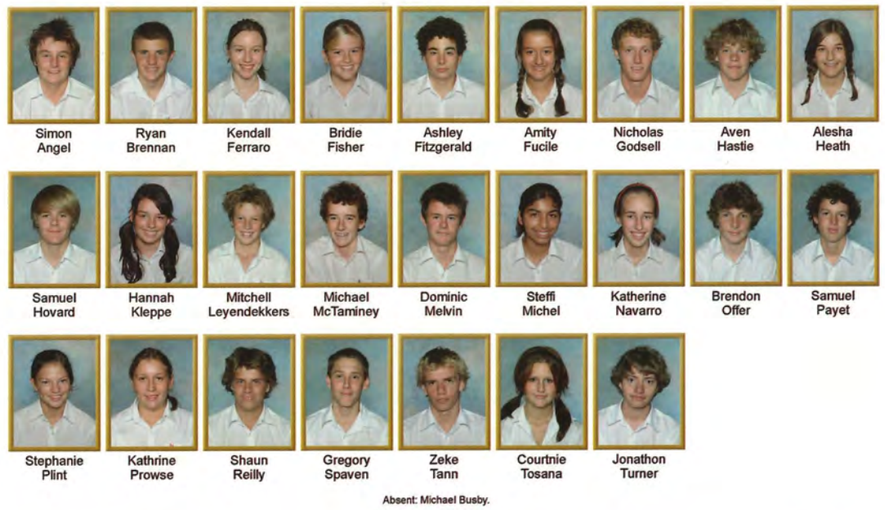

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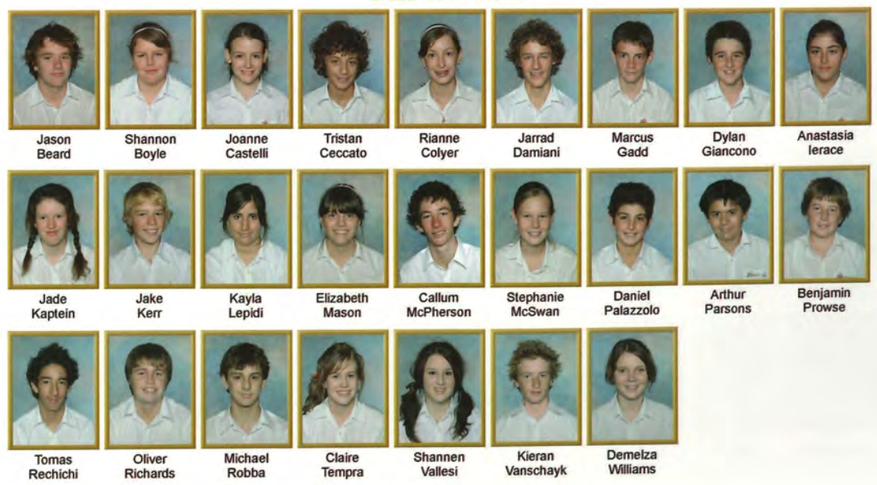

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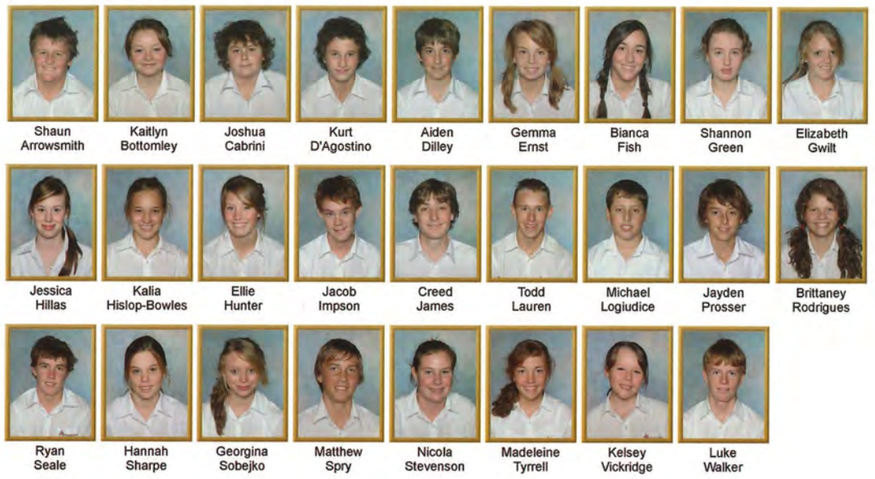

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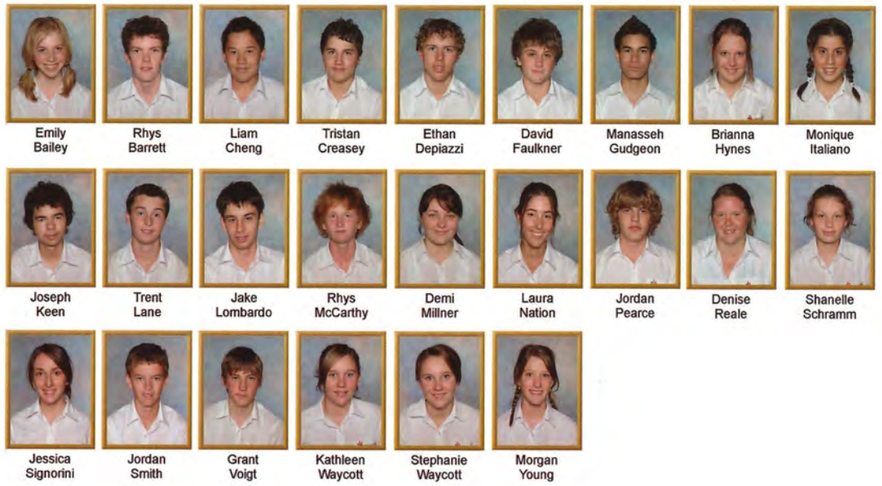

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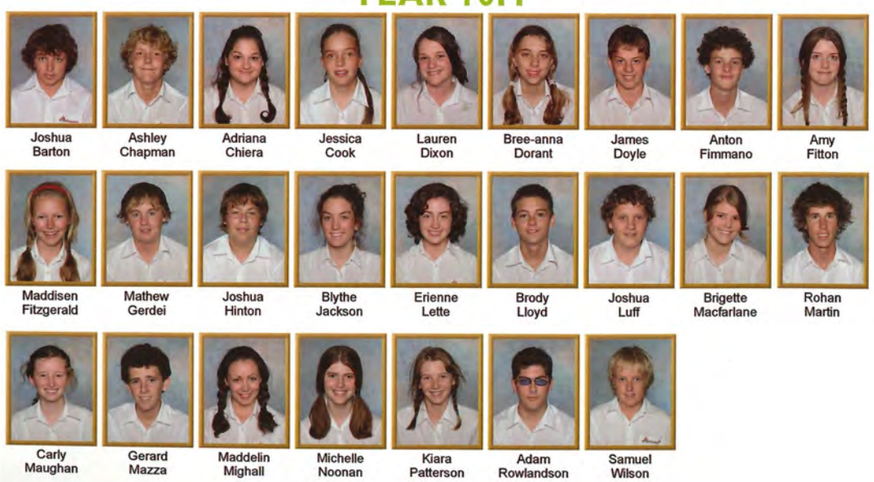

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Absent: Morgan Harris.

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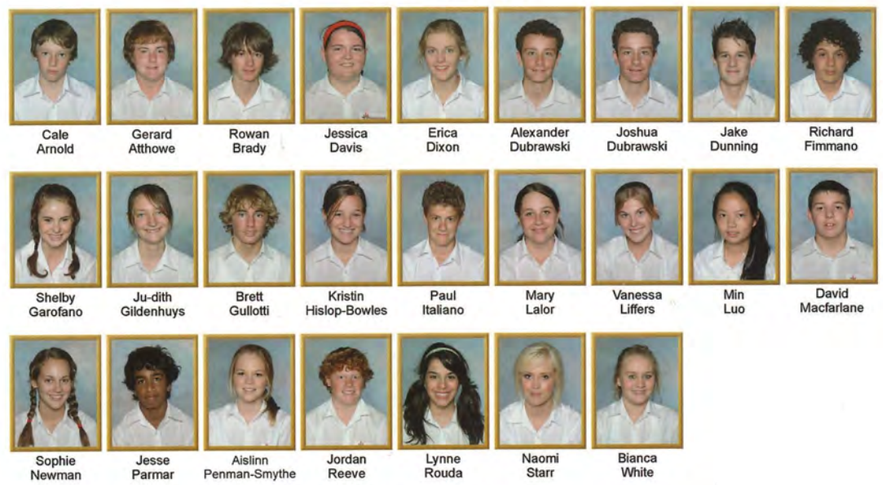
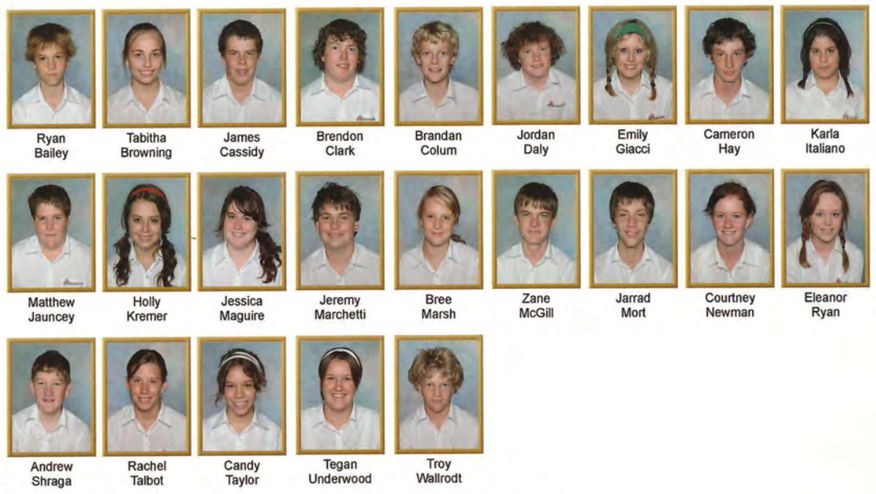


Cale Arnold, Gerard Atthowe, Rowan Brady, Jessica Davis, Erica Dixon, Alexander Dubrawski, Joshua Dubrawski, Jake Dunning, Richard Fimmano
Shelby Garofano, Ju-dith Gildenhuys, Brett Gullotti, Kristin Hislop-Bowles, Paul Italiano, Mary Lalor, Vanessa Liffers, Min Luo, David Macfarlane
Sophie Newman, Jesse Parmar, Aislinn Penman-Smythe, Jordan Reeve, Lynne Rouda, Naomi Starr, Bianca White

Absent: Mark Erceg.

YEAR 10P



Ryan Bailey, Tabitha Browning, James Cassidy, Brendon Clark, Brandan Colum, Jordan Daly, Emily Giacci, Cameron Hay, Karla Italiano
Matthew Jauncey, Holly Kremer, Jessica Maguire, Jeremy Marchetti, Bree Marsh, Zane McGill, Jarrad Mort, Courtney Newman, Eleanor Ryan
Andrew Shraga, Rachel Talbot, Candy Taylor, Tegan Underwood, Troy Wallrodt

Absent: Rebecca Doble, Jeffrey Magpantay.

YEAR 10S

Mark Blades, Andrew Brandis, Christopher Buchanan, Kaitlyn Burns, Liam Daley, Arnalise Depiazzi, Luke Downton, Liam Eddy, Stephen Galati
Brendon Giudici, Sarah Ireland, Brooke Lewis, Dale Long, Claire Martella, Jesse McDonald, Matthew McManus, Penelope Parker, Alannah Pimm
Emma Schleemann, Benjamin Smith, Emma Witt

Absent: Benjamin McLeary, Brooke Taylor.

Year 11

2007 has seen the emergence of a range of challenges for our students.

Firstly, they have commenced their senior education program. This, of course, entails rigorous demands on their time, a very organized approach to their work, study or exams, increased responsibility for their own learning and success and encountering new educative courses – whether that be courses of study or School Apprenticeship Link Programs.

The students have managed these changes in an exemplary manner and I would like to commend them on their very committed approach.

This is a strong academic group and I am sure they will earn the accolades they receive at the conclusion of their senior school program.

Outward Bound – through Outward Bound Australia – was again a challenge which this group of students experienced in a very positive spirit. This program continues to have a profound effect on our students.
Many of the students were involved in the Youth Driver Development Program, as the important 'landmark' of a learner's permit, logbook or full licence, permeated the group's activities.

This group of students has involved themselves actively in all aspects of College life and their leadership group will be an effective voice for their peers during 2008.
I consider it to have been a pleasure and privilege to be the Year Coordinator for this talented group of young men and women. I thank them all for their support and cooperation, wishing each of them the very best during 2008.

Mr Graham Jones
Year 11 Coordinator

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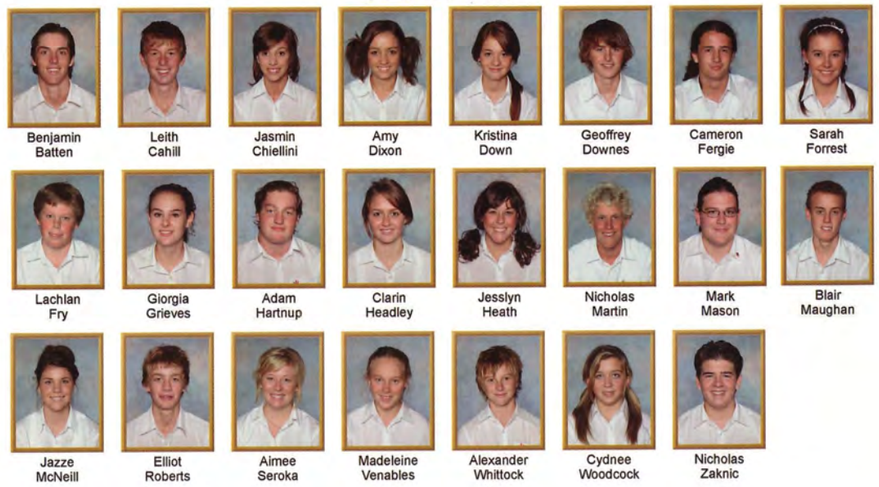

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Jazze McNeill, Elliot Roberts, Aimee Seroka, Madeleine Venables, Alexander Whittock, Cydnee Woodcock, Nicholas Zaknic

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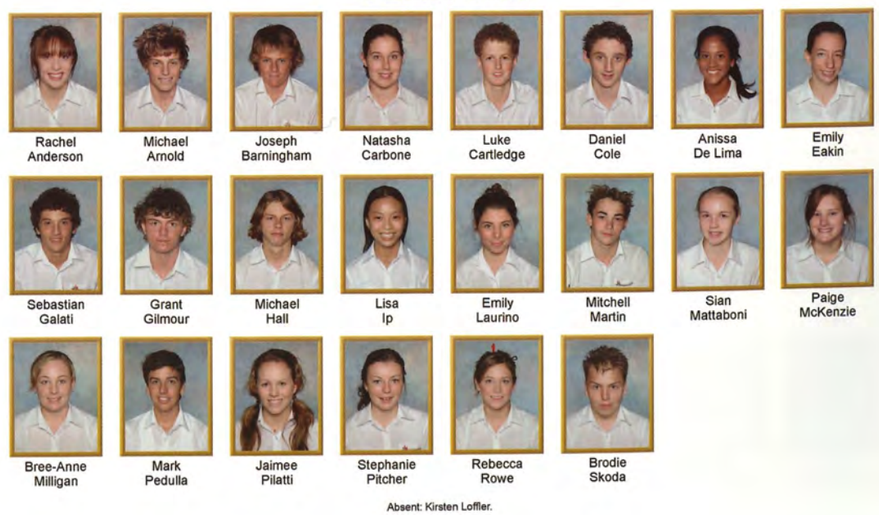

Rachel Anderson, Michael Arnold, Joseph Barningham, Natasha Carbone, Luke Cartledge, Daniel Cole, Anissa De Lima, Emily Eakin

Sebastian Galati, Grant Gilmour, Michael Hall, Lisa Ip, Emily Laurino, Mitchell Martin, Sian Mattaboni, Paige McKenzie

Bree-Anne Milligan, Mark Pedulla, Jaimee Pilatti, Stephanie Pitcher, Rebecca Rowe, Brodie Skoda

Absent: Kirsten Loffler.

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YEAR 11L

Daniel Arakelian, Marleen Boom, Luke Darlow, John Dewhurst, Ben Durrell, Erin Fee, Luke Freeman, Jordan Gianfrancesco

Adam Gibson, Jaime Harris, Amy Laurie, Tahlia Morabito, Daniel Nixon, Michael Parisella, Jade Pescud, Benjamin Pilatti

Shannon Raven, Karl Rodgers, Catherine Stevens, Abigail Waller, Casey Webb, Samantha Wells

YEAR 11M

Umu Boima, Matthew Brennan, Taylor Buoro-Long, Grady Byrne, Candis Combes, Rebekah Donald, Courtney Downes, Alexander Gadd

Cono Galati, Jesse Gledhill, Hai Le, Sophie Loton, Joseph Lovett, Elsbeth Macfarlane, Madison Macfarlane, Marc Mendoza

Anthony Morabito, Pendwe Msapenda, Ashleigh Plaskett, Rhys Remeika, Ryan Risdon, Yohanes Tadesse, Kasey Trezise, Ayla Wright

YEAR 11N

Lucy Aboagye, Matthew Befumo, Sarah Carbone, Hayden Cross, Hannah Dalton, Kahlia Daly, Brett Davis, Kaitlin Dubrawski

Daniel Erbe, Montahna Fallis-Macleod, Alexandra Hagan, Pippa Hogan, Nikea Kemp, Craig Lenard, Reynir Monck, Cale Murphy

Shevaun O'Callaghan, Elliot Panizza, Arron Reeve, Amy Ruland, Benjamin Scott, Shauna Upton, Jessica Wallrodt

Absent: Robert Fiorenza.

Year 11

YEAR 11O

Kelli-Anne Beattie, Chloe Bessell, Rory Binnie, Mitchell Bluett, Jayden Davis, Madelaine DePilato, Benjamin Dillon, Melissa Foss

Kate Gillingham, Owen Hingston, Sarah Horton, Michael Jones, Ralph Kahango, Matthew Leach, Taryn McClements, Shelby O'Dea

Marc Papalia, Jessica Riley, Benjamin Rossiter, Aleisha Scimone, Jessica Scott, Grace Simpson, Patrick Smith

Absent: Nathan Triscari.

YEAR 11P

Kaiden Brindley, Rohan Butcher, Jade Clarke, Nicolee Coxall, Jakeb Cumming, Hannah Depiazzi, Marc Dingle, Rachael Easther

Joshua Farrier, Emily Grove, Jesse King, Benjamin Lovitt, Daniel Martyn, Hayley Palumbo, Kieran Quinn, Lauren Reynolds

Erin Scanlan, Megan Smith, Bradley Strano, Lewis Thompson, Jaxon Waterhouse

Absent: Jaysen De San Miguel, Star Marsters, Melanie Valli.

YEAR 11T

Louise Banks, Rohan Bowles, Hayley Castrilli, Liana Crognale, Lincoln Dwyer, Jason Dykstra, Michael Edwards, Dean Fowler

Georgia Franklin, James Hammond, Beaudene Hart, Sally Kappler, Danielle Keep, Christine Kilfoil, Jonathon Krawec, Emily Lloyd

Richard Manea, Chane Naude, Melissa Panetta, Antony Russo, Bradley Seale, Marcus Serravite, Hannah Thompson, Olivia Zoetelief

Absent: Michael Palazzolo.

Year 12

Before school begins in February, at seventeen the only worries a student may have would be friends, family, part-time work, socialising, spoil, growing up, driving and all the other things that affect their lives in the world today. Come the start of the school year we throw in a few extra things just to keep the students on their toes. These have included normal classes, homework, study, school ball, yearly retreats, exam weeks, work expenence, socials, sports days, feast day, 40 hr famine, Year eight camp and the list is truly endless. We've also had students take on roles as student leaders, Eucharist ministers, canteen helpers, choir members and Red Cross blood donors. 2007 has seen another group of students, to their credit, prove to be an awesome group both collectively and as individuals tackling all these challenges that have come before them to the best of their abilities.

Homeroom teachers and affiliated staff Alison Fergie, Cannel Forrest, Eric Douglas, Rod Slater, Helen Carey, Annabel Kanakis, Brenda Della-sale, Frank Townsend, Daryl Carew and Pat McDonagh all need to be thanked for the wonderful support and guidance that they have given the students over the past year, helping to shape them into mature young adults ready to begin the next phase of their lives. To the entire student body of Year 12 thankyou for your help and support as you have made this a year to remember and on behalf of myself and the Yr 12 staff we wish you all the very best in whatever the future holds for you, may you be successful and happy and I hope your days at Bunbury Catholic College have been memorable.

Thanking you

Mr Michael Downes
Year 12 coordinator

Year 12 Ball

Twas the morning of the 17th of February and all through the street, havoc was unfolding, with the stomping of many feet. Was it a war? a nuclear bomb? the selling of tickets for the big day out? No. This was a far greater and much more important event. This was the morning of the night the young lads and lasses of Bunbury Catholic College were to name "The Night of Nights."

The preparation for this evening started weeks before. The teachers had it covered with the organising. For the students the biggest challenge was deciding who would be on who's table and what the theme was, and of course how we could arrive so that we would have the most spectacular and unique entry. However this all settled and the day very quickly came upon us.

Everyone's day started in a fairly simliar way. For the girls, it was rushing to hair and make up appointments, and buying those last little accessories to finish the outfit. For the boys it was telling their mums what they needed and getting ready half an hour before everyone arrived. After the final touches of makeup were applied and the suits were fixed, the various cars turned up to take these glamorous young men and women to the Italian club where this spectacular night was to be held.

Everyone had their moment of fame on the red carpet with adoring family and friends snapping the new photo that would hang on the mantle. After their dramatic entrance, they entered the venue to spend the first 15 mintues of the night continuoulsy repeating the following sentence to different people "oh my god you look sooo beautiful" or "where did you get your dress?" The night was danced away and by the end we were all smiled out.

When midnight struck the glass slippers were thown off and the princesses and princes turned back to their normal selves as they headed off to Ferguson valley. As "the night of nights" was still young.

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Courtney Green, Lukas Griffin, Curtis Guglielmana, Tavis Hall, Benjamin Hamilton, Louise Harnett, Brett Haylock, Lance Head, Melissa Hickey, Regan Hicks

Ciara Hinton, Asha Hough, Caitlin Hunter, Sarah Jackson, Daniel James, Kate Jameson, Kasun Jayasekera, Andrew Johnson, Cassie Johnson, Rodwell Kahango

Virginia (Melania) Kapisa, Monique Kemp, Robert Knox, Catherine Kouw, Alanna Kusin, Simone Larking, Jeremy Lee, Emma Linton, Lauren Lofthouse, Enrico Logiudice

Travis Logue, Zoe Loton, Daniel Macnish, Jessica Macri, Trent Macri, Natalie Maguire, Sarah Maloba, Faith Marshall, Chloe Marwick, Meagan Mattaboni

James McCann, Kyle McCarthy, Luke McCormack, Julie McDonnell, Corey McGuire, Julie-Anne McLean, Matthew McTaminey, Natalie McTaminey, Christopher Mennell, Timothy Mennell

Kaye Messer, Kyle Mincham, Tammy Murphy, Matthew Navarro, Phillip Newman, Kaitlin Northover, Rowan O'Brien, Emelie Olsson Ohm, Robert Owens, Florence Parsons

Jack Payet, Emma Pearce, Carmen-Ann Pereira, Matthew Peskett, Max Piirto, Graham Plint, Renee Price, Monica Raju, Cameron Raper, Angelo Rechichi

Tegan Reilly, Ryley Remeika, Timothy Richards, Alexander Roberts, Rebecca Robins, Christine Robinson, Lorenza Rossi, Sarah Samuelson, Jordan Sell, Claire Simpson

Natalie Smith, Rhiannon Smith, Samuel Sopolinski, Christina Soulos, Paul Spagnolo, Emily Stol, Leah Tamayo-Bonn, Bonnie Tann, Jacki Taylor, Kailah Thorn

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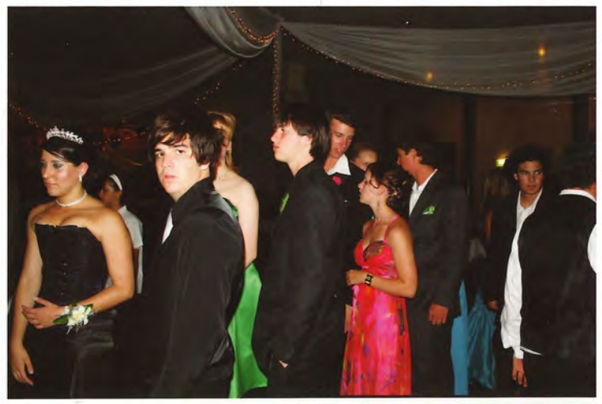

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