

# 2008 Yearbook



BUNBURY CATHOLIC COLLEGE

# Feast Day



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It gives me great pleasure to present my first annual report, the 36th for Bunbury Catholic College, though the 126th for catholic education in Bunbury.

Each day as I enter my office I walk past a wall hanging which was created by members of the College community in 1997, on the 25th anniversary of the amalgamation of Mercy and Marist schools. "Honouring the past, dreaming the future" is a quote which features and is a reminder that we do not lose sight of our foundations. During this year the Catholic Education Office launched Phillip Pental's book *Continuity and Change; The Journey of Catholic Education in Western Australia*. This is compelling reading for the student of history or those interested in the history of WA and catholic education. Pental paints a clear picture of the "harsh environment" that confronted the religious who forged our catholic education and, despite the hardship, the enterprise of the various Religious Orders to expand education across the State. Indeed, less than 40 years after the Sisters of Mercy arrived in the Swan River Colony they had ventured to the South West to provide education and faith development for the children in this region.

The values we uphold, the reputation of the College which has developed and the facilities that have been built over the years can be attributed to our founding Orders, the Mercies and the Marists and the staff, students and parents of the past. We must remind ourselves that we "standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before us" and should continue to honour them in all that we do.

Both Catherine McAuley and Marcellin Champagnat built their congregations as being Christ centred, and this was evident in the College this year, particularly, as we celebrated World Youth Day 2008. Four staff members and thirteen students journeyed as a College group to Sydney, joining others from the Bunbury diocese and Marist schools across Australia. As some have described, "it was a life changing experience" and their enthusiasm was evident before and after their return. The College community was able to participate in lead up events in our World Youth Day Mass celebrated in March and as we hosted the visit of the Cross and Icon in May. We hope to build on these experiences in our evangelisation plan for 2009.

In the first few weeks of the school year I was introduced to the participants of REMAR and was told that this would be our last year in REMAR. The calibre of these young people and the value of this programme to them and the College community is something which is to be valued. One action from our involvement in World Youth Day and participation in the International Marist Festival was to re-activate REMAR in the College and several students have already indicated an interest in commencing REMAR in 2009.

During this year we have provided more opportunities for students and staff to be able to celebrate the Eucharist and provided a variety of retreat experiences at each year level. Many Year 12 students reported that one of the highlights for their schooling has been the Year 12 four day Retreat. We have also further developed our Christian Service Learning programme

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and it is gratifying to hear of the many hours of service so many of our students complete in their own time and to witness what this means to the people they help. I truly appreciate the effort of our staff in providing these personally enriching experiences for our students.

Throughout the year, Bishop Gerard Holohan, Fr Tony Chiera and our College Chaplain, Fr Jess Navarra, contribute an enormous amount of time and energy to be with our students by celebrating school Masses, attending school retreats and other important events in our school calendar. We thank them for their contribution to our Spiritual journey and to live out our motto: "To act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with our God."

At our first College assembly I encouraged all students to aim for excellence in all that they do. This is a value which is espoused by our Mercy and Marist founders and one which we hold in esteem. On the academic front, our school year opened with news of the 2007 Year 12 results which included 100% graduation, Michael Ayre receiving the Kelderman award with a TER of 99.7, 40% of our Yr 12 students achieving results that placed them in the top third of the State and we were ranked in the top ten schools in the State for Calculus, Economics, Building and Construction and Geography. We also had a huge increase in the number of hours of vocational learning completed by students. We are hoping for equally impressive results for our 2008 cohort.

A particular focus in all Learning Areas this year has been the introduction of a large number of WACE courses in Year 11 and 12. 2009 will see the introduction of the final set of new courses under the restructure. I am very grateful to our teachers who have contributed considerable personal time into preparing for these courses, in addition to their normal workload.

I would like to give a huge vote of thanks to Mr Michael Downes who has further refined the vocational offerings and career counselling of students. Students have the opportunity to be involved in the Student Apprenticeship Link, Career Path, School based Traineeships, a variety of work-based learning situations and to complete Certificate courses in addition to achieving WACE graduation. Many of these students are able to determine appropriate career direction, gain advanced credit for TAFE studies and make links with employers to gain apprenticeships. Several students were nominated at the recent South West VET Link awards.

During the year our Year Nine students participated in the national and state standardised testing with the cohort achieving at or above state averages in all areas. The data from these tests are used by our Heads of Learning to modify, where necessary, learning programmes aiming to improve standards for all students. Our Literacy strategy aims to support



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students who are below benchmarks to improve their literacy and make all areas of learning accessible. My thanks to Mrs Williams for ongoing work in this area, for the coordination of the EvenStart program of government assisted tuition and for her work with our students with special needs.

In all Learning Areas our students are provided with a variety of opportunities to enhance their learning in some of the structured tasks as part of the learning programme and by participating in co-curricular activities. The follow is a sample of these opportunities: The Mathematics teachers were responsible for hosting the Have Sum Fun Maths competition for the region and our students performed creditably in the event. Maths students also achieved excellent results in the Australian Mathematics competition. A large number of students achieved Credit, Distinction or High Distinction in the Australian Geography competition. Several students have participated in Public Speaking and literary competitions, with two students receiving awards.

Our Science students have been extremely busy participating in a wide variety of science based experiences with local industry and universities during the school term and during the holiday breaks. The most recent competition saw Ms Tapper's Science class acclaimed as regional winners of the Science and Engineering Challenge and placed a creditable third at State level. Many students have been selected to participate in Science summer school programmes at various universities.

In the Technology and Enterprise Learning Area, our students in Building and Construction demolished a shed following all Occupational Health and Safety guidelines, six students completed a bricklaying course, and manual training has been put to use for various service projects, such as constructing cubbyhouses and bird feeders as fundraisers for charity. Home Economics students have been very busy throughout the year with formal dinners in terms 2 and 3, providing and serving supper for Music Night and Graduation, and lunches, morning teas and breakfasts for special events.

On the cultural scene Dance students have performed in dance concerts, the ACHPER Dance Festival, the Catholic Arts Festival and enriched our liturgies and assemblies. The music scene at the College is very vibrant with students involved in College organised and personally initiated ensembles. We have been entertained by the College Choir and Music students at various College events and students have performed in and received awards in events such as the Catholic Arts Festival and the WA Performing Arts Eisteddfod. The calibre of these students has resulted in several AMEB awards and individual and group acclaim in community based competitions.

Visual Arts students presented their work in Students in the Spotlight and 15 pieces of artwork were



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exhibited in Iluka Vision Exhibition. Not to be out done, Drama has also been well represented with a very high standard of theatre performed throughout the year.

Sporting events feature high on our calendar with students provided many opportunities to participate in Interhouse, Interschool and community sport. Many students have been very involved in competitive school and community sporting activities with a significant number selected for state and national teams, several students achieving acclaim at state, national and international level. Of note, also is the achievement of the Senior Netball team becoming the State High School Champions and the boys winning the Marist Cricket trophy in the 2007/08 competition.

Our SWISSA involvement saw the College responsible for hosting the Swimming Carnival, achieving 4th place overall. This was followed by some excellent results in the SWISSA Cross Country competition and the SWISSA Athletics carnival where the College coming a very close second. In each of these competitions, a number of our students were champion or runner up in their division.

During this year we have provided opportunities for students to demonstrate and develop leadership skills. This was particularly evident in our Head Girl and Head Boy, Natasha Carbone and Matthew Befumo, and the other Student Leaders. I am grateful to these students for their hard work over the year. I am pleased to see the exemplary role students have taken in accepting responsibilities within the school. This was also evident during various College events, such as Feast Day where many students in their Homeroom group coordinated the activities prepared by their class.

During 2008 we have seen a number of enhancements of College facilities from the rejuvenation of the area in front of the C block to maintenance work on the Chapel and the Hall. The development of a Sports Pavilion on Albert Oval during 2009 is the final stage of our current CDP. This facility will increase the learning spaces for the Physical Education area and be used by our affiliated sports club who use our grounds out of hours. I am grateful to Mr Tom Hall and Mr Brent Steere for their work in bringing all capital works to fruition.

As we conclude the academic year we say farewell to those staff members who are moving on to new challenges or the enjoyment of more personal and family time. In particular, we wish farewell to Mr Mark Browning as he takes on the Principalship of Kearnan College, Manjimup. Mr Browning has been on staff at the College for a total of 21 years, the last three years as Deputy Principal. In this role, Mr Browning has worked tirelessly for the students and staff providing outstanding pastoral and academic support. We appreciate his enormous contribution and wish him well in his new school.



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To those students who are leaving the College, our best wishes go with you as you embark on your careers and new directions.

I extend my appreciation to members of the College Executive: Mrs Leonie Ridgway, Mr Mark Browning, Mrs Gobi May and Mr Brent Steere for all their generous support and hard work. Thank you also to our Staff, teaching and non-teaching, for their generosity in time and energy to make our College a positive, caring and friendly learning environment. To members of the College Board, P & F and Art Extraordinaire committee, thank you for your commitment and efforts on behalf of our College. Many of our parents and students volunteered in a variety of ways over the year. Your generous contribution to College life is very much appreciated.

Finally, I would like to wish each family in our College community a very holy and joyous Christmas and to each of our students and staff I wish a relaxing and energising holiday.

**Ms Denise O'Meara**  
*Principal*



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The Board has been pleased to welcome our new Principal, Ms Denise O'Meara to Bunbury Catholic College. Over the past year Ms O'Meara has brought into focus the fact that Bunbury Catholic College was built on the tradition of the Marist and Mercy Orders. The school opened in 1973 with 300 students and 19 teaching staff. Thirty five years on, we have 70 teaching and 39 non teaching staff with 967 students enrolled. The legacy of St Marcellin Champagnat to bring youth a vision of new horizons filled with a Christian faith and hope in the future and Catherine McAuley's service to the young and the poor with mercy, fidelity, righteousness and peace lives on in our school through our staff and students.

This year I have had numerous opportunities to witness the passion that our staff bring to their work. The time, energy, compassion and creativity that is demonstrated is inspiring and I believe that St Marcellin Champagnat and Catherine McAuley would be looking down with approval at the dedication of our staff body. I would like to thank all of our staff both teaching and non teaching, for their ongoing commitment to our school community.

There are so many examples to this witness and I would like to take the opportunity to mention two.

Firstly, I would like to recognize the dedication of Mr Michael Downes and his team in the development of the SAL and VET programs. This year the team has been able to build on work done previously and as a result, our students are now gaining greater access to work experience and employment options, than ever before. The relationship with industry in our community has never been this strong.

This year, we sadly say farewell to a teacher and Deputy who has given all of himself to the school community. Mr Browning is leaving us to take on the Principalship at Kearnan College Manjimup. Mark is a true witness to the visions of both the Marist and Mercy orders. His passion for his work has been a true asset to our school community and I know that he will be sadly missed. We wish him all the best in his new position.

The work of the School Board this year has been to focus on finishing off some projects and the ongoing maintenance within the school. We are currently working on upgrading of walkways, security, power and air conditioning. The exciting development for the year has been the sports pavilion. The Capital Planning Committee has been working with the teaching staff and the Marist sports clubs to design a versatile space that can incorporate the needs of all groups. The Marist Sports Clubs have offered strong support for this long awaited asset that we hope to see completed in the next 18 months. The big challenge in coming years will be the planning for future changes that may impact on our school.

Thanks to Mr Brent Steere and his staff, our school continues to be financially sound. As mentioned above there are a number of developments that we as a Board will need to give consideration to and it is reassuring to know that we are in a strong financial position to manage changes that we may face.

In finishing, I would like to acknowledge the hard work and support of this year's Board. It has been a pleasure to work with all of you.

This year we farewell Michael Ferraro who has completed his term on the board. Michael's expertise and insight will be greatly missed and we thank him for his commitment over the past 6 years.

We look forward now to the challenges of the year ahead with confidence in the strength of our school community

**Ms Debbie Easther**  
**Board Chair**



### BOARD MEMBERS

- Ms Debbie Easther (Chairperson)**
- Mr Michael Ferraro (Deputy Chairperson)**
- Mr Michael Laurino**
- Mrs Susan Kouw**
- Mrs Joanne Leach**
- Mr Neill Rowlandson (P and F Rep)**
- Mr John Reilly (Treasurer)**
- Fr Jesse Navarra (College Chaplain)**
- Mr Tom Hall (Property)**
- Ms Denise O'Meara (Principal)**
- Mr Brent Steere (Secretary)**

# Parents & Friends' Report

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We have quickly come to the end of another year in which we welcomed our new Principal, Ms Denise O'Meara. Many thanks to Ms O'Meara for her support throughout the year. Thanks also to Mr Mark Browning for his input during this year and best wishes for the future in his new school.

I would like to sincerely thank the P&F Executive committee, Mrs Leanne Depiazzi (vice-president), Mrs Janet O'Hare (secretary) and a huge thanks to Mrs Ruth Hartnup, who after 10 years of dedicated service as P&F treasurer, Art Extraordinaire treasurer and Second hand book shop coordinator is bidding us farewell. Thanks also to Mr Neill Rowlandson, our College Board representative and Mrs Debbie Easter and the Board for their continued support.

Art Extraordinaire, headed by Mrs Leanne Depiazzi, was once again an outstanding success and raised in excess of \$19000. The committee and their band of helpers are to be congratulated on putting together an amazing event that allows local, state and Australia-wide artists to showcase their talents.

Once again our appreciation goes to Treasurer Ruth Hartnup and volunteers for the enormous amount of time they provide in organizing and operating the Second Hand bookshop. We are able to reduce costs of texts, offer a return to parents selling books and raise funds for the P&F with this service. Please continue to assist the BCC community and P&F by supporting this service.

We extend our appreciation to Canteen Manager, Maria Trovato and her staff and volunteers who have kept things running smoothly and provided our student with healthy snacks and lunches. Due to the many gaps in the roster, extra staff has been employed to assist Maria and any assistance parents can provide would be appreciated. To Mrs Julie Down and staff, thank you for ensuring uniform items are always readily available at reasonable prices. Many volunteers assist the College in various ways throughout the year from fundraising to catering and for this I am extremely grateful.

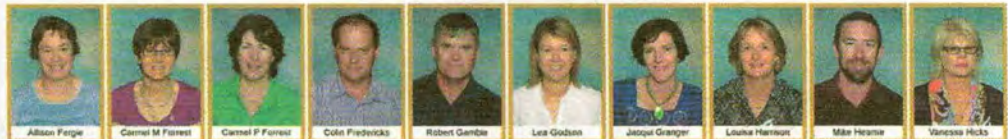
Each year the P & F provide financial support to a student entering the College. The 2009 P&F Bursary has been awarded to Miss Kate Hindle from St Brigid's School, Collie.

I extend a special thanks to those who regularly attend our P&F meetings and assist with decision making. We look forward to welcoming some new faces to our meetings in 2009.

**Mrs Wendy McLean**  
**President, Parents & Friends Association**



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<b>Principal:</b> Ms Denise O'Meara	<b>Counsellor:</b> Mrs Maria De Lima	Rory McKenzie	Julie Down
<b>Deputy Principal:</b> Mrs Leonie Ridgeway	<b>Librarian:</b> Mrs Kathy Hogan	Rachel Moore	Gregory Everitt
<b>Deputy Principal:</b> Mr Mark Browning	<b>Teaching Staff:</b> MaryAnne Ashby	Wendy Morris	Carmel P Forrest
<b>Chaplain:</b> Fr Jess	Clee Avard	David Norrish	Robert Gamble
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Mrs Vanessa Hicks	Sharon Cooke	Casey Sawyer	Louisa Harrison
<b>Mathematics:</b>	Michelle Crosby	Trevor Stace	Jane Harrop
Mrs Allison Fergie	Nadir De Souza Kovacs	Michael Steele	Maria Hingston
<b>Physical Education:</b>	Brenda Della-Sale	Callie Steven	Suzanne Howard
Ms Ludita McLean	Andreja Depiazzi	Dianne Stewart	Johanna Hynes
<b>Technology and Enterprise:</b>	Bernard Depiazzi	Meredith Sully	Jason Ingram
Mr Rod Slater	Tanya Downes	Joanna Sykes	Nola Jennings
<b>Religious Education:</b>	Bradley Paul Dunn	Taryn Tapper	Perlitta Lawler
Mrs Gobnait May	Robyn Dunnet	Caroline Turner	Joanne Lutley
<b>Science:</b>	Carmel M Forrest	John Fred Webb	Simon Maher
Mrs Annabel Kanakis	Colin Fredericks	Susanne Williams	Debra Pains
<b>Social Science:</b>	Michael Hearne	Alexa Jane Wood	Florence Parsons
Mr Greg Chipchase	Sarah Hindley	Christina Zuideveld	Coral Pelusey
<b>Year Coordinators</b>	Christine Hogan	<b>Non Teaching Staff:</b>	Janet Ryan
<b>Year 8:</b>	Peter Hogan	Gillian Alietti	Deborah Salathiel
Mrs Vivienne McKenzie	Tracy Hogendoorn	Amalia (Amy) Allen	Kelli Schmitt
<b>Year 9 :</b>	Graham Jones	Colleen Bailey	Beverley Seroka
Mr Kieran Noonan	Elise Kukulka	Mark Bradley	Brenton Steere
<b>Year 10:</b>	Lucia Lenard	John Bradley	Maria Trovato
Mr Braden Famlonga	Rosemary Lindroth	Pauline Callegari	Josephine Varndell
<b>Year 11:</b>	Oliver Maratea	Lucas Campbell	Karen Walker
Mr Frank Townsend	Maree Maughan	Sharon Castelli	Uma Weeks
<b>Year 12 :</b>	Patricia McDonagh	Mark Chandler	Tanya Wilmot
Ms Shendelle Mullane	Iain McKenzie	Chad Combes	Janet Wilson
<b>Vocational Education and Training :</b>	Lorraine McKenzie	Caitlin Davis	Tracy Ann Woodhouse
Mr Micheal Downes		Anastasia De Gooijer	
		Maria Delle Donne	

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## FOR US, OUR YEAR STARTED BEFORE IT HAD EVEN BEGUN!

At the end of November 2007, the then future Year 12 student leaders attended the Halogen Leadership Foundation's Young Leadership Day in the Perth Convention Centre. Amongst the many inspiring stories that were told by the guest speakers, the most rewarding part of the trip was the relationships that we built with our fellow year 12 leaders because despite being senior students, being the diverse group that we are, many of us hadn't had this opportunity before. This day was to be a forecast of the busy and fun year that lay ahead.

As Head boy and Head girl we have had the privilege to head 2008's Student Representative Council (SRC) and Student Leadership Team (SLT) and we would like to take this opportunity to thank each of our fellow leaders for their contribution to the group. As part of these bodies we conducted regular meetings in which we organised school events such as socials, free-dress days and charitable events like the Project Compassion, Burma appeal and the Sichuan Province Earthquakes. Within these meetings many of the student initiatives were born, including the College House days, Intra-House and Inter-House competitions and the school recycling programme (coming in 2009).

Being representatives of the student body we made time for meetings with the College Principal, Ms O'Meara. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms O'Meara for her support and encouragement on both a personal level with our studies and extracurricular activities and on a wider student level with the encouragement she gave for greater student initiative and involvement. Outside of school saw a busy time for us also, the highlight of which was our involvement in the many youth forums which were held by various organisations, throughout the year.

As part of our duties as Head Boy and Head Girl we assisted in the running of the College masses and commentated the school assemblies. For both of us it was particularly pleasing to see so many of our students excelling and succeeding in every field of our education; sport, performing arts, academic achievement, community service and general good-natured acts. We would like to thank and congratulate once again, those people who made that extra effort in whichever area to excel and to everyone associated with any one of these events – you are an excellent example of what our school strives to be and strives to achieve.

This year has been an opportunity for both of us to give something back to the school which has given us so much, the school which has taught us so much and guided us on our transition between childhood and adulthood – an opportunity for which we are extremely grateful.

**Head Boy and Head Girl, Matthew Befumo and Natasha Carbone**



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### Student Representative Council

Year 12 - **Natasha Carbone (Head Girl)**  
**Mathew Befumo (Head Boy)**

Year 11 - **Nicola Stevenson**  
**Michael Busby**

Year 10 - **Sophie Smith**  
**Elliot Chambers**

Year 9 - **Stephanie Nicolao**  
**Shane McCarthy**

Year 8 - **Tayla Doyle**  
**Tom Wheeler**



### House Leaders

#### Marcellin

Captains – Kellie-Anne Beattie and Anthony Morabito

Year 11 – Bridie Fisher and Michael Busby

Year 10 – Teagan Doyle and Joshua Parker

Year 9 – Summer Rose and Declan Jackson

Year 8 – Tayla Doyle and Callum Richardson

#### McAuley

Captains – Sarah Forrest and Patrick Smith

Year 11 – Nicola Stevenson and Jesse Parmar

Year 10 – Emily Bartholomew and Jack James

Year 9 – Rachel O'Donoghue and Callum Penman-Smythe

Year 8 – Morgan Gould and Brendan Smith

#### Valentine

Captains – Stephanie Pitcher and Anthony Russo

Year 11 – Emily Bailey and Jordan Smith

Year 10 – Alysia Fogliani and Elliot Chambers

Year 9 – Dena English and Shane McCarthy

Year 8 – Stephanie Hart and Bryce Harnett

#### Xavier

Captains – Courtney Downes and Nick Zaknic

Year 11 – Shannen Vallesi and Andrew Brandis

Year 10 – Sophie Smith and Hannah Wheeler

Year 9 – Stephanie Nicolao and Mark Cleggett

Year 8 – Jessica Ruland and Tom Wheeler



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MINISTRY

### 2008 HAS BEEN A YEAR OF NEW INITIATIVES AND CONSOLIDATION OF INITIATIVES BEGUN IN 2007.

This year will be the last year that the Beliefs and Values course will be taught in Year Eleven. 2009 sees the introduction of the Religion and Life course of study. While this new course in Religious Education has been developed by Curriculum Council, its introduction has been overseen by the Catholic Education Office and the Archdiocese and there will be a mandatory Catholic content. Staff at Bunbury Catholic College has worked hard to ensure that a programme that is informative, engaging and well resourced will be available for Year Eleven Religious Education students in 2009. Religious Education teachers, sometimes working outside of their formal training, have worked hard at administering courses that add to student knowledge and understandings of Catholic doctrines and practices. Teachers have been very generous about giving up their time to be in-serviced in theology and Church practice in order to be effective classroom teachers. They are a professional and dedicated group, committed to the aims and ethos of the Catholic School.

The Bishops' Religious Literacy Testing, now in its second year, was administered in Term Two. Year Nine 2008 performed well above the state mean, testament to their hard work in revising information learned in Primary school, in Year Eight and Nine and at home. The test measures the students' knowledge and understanding of the beliefs, practices, teachings and language of the Catholic Church, and is a useful diagnostic tool for us in preparing programmes for teaching Religious Education at the College.

Students at Bunbury Catholic College learn in a practical way about compassion and justice. They were provided with the opportunity to collect money for the Missions, give blood through the Red Cross, help relatives with routine daily tasks and collect food, toys and clothing for the St Vincent De Paul Society. The students responded generously, working either through the homerooms or Remar and are to be applauded for their efforts. Thanks also go to staff who assisted those students to be very pro-active in the community.

The College continued to develop the Christian Service Learning programme. Students in Years Eight and Nine are instructed in Religious Education classes regarding the Christian teachings about service to others. These students complete a planned programme of service to their families and others in the local community. Year Ten students, supervised by College staff, spend two days in service activities organised through the College. Students who began the programme in Year Ten in 2007 proceeded in Year Eleven to complete the number of hours of service required by the Department of Education for graduation, with many reaching their targets and some even exceeding them. At the College



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students are also required to complete reflection activities which direct their attention to Christ's call for us to serve one another in the spirit of Christian brotherhood. They have enthusiastically expressed the sense of fulfilment and community that they feel as a result of their involvement in serving others. It is wonderful to see the students expressing their calling to be caring, supportive people in the spirit of the Gospel message of compassion and inclusivity.

With Mrs Viv McKenzie acting as Campus Minister this year we have seen a new approach to several of our liturgical celebrations. She has brought an energy and an enthusiasm to the planning and execution of feast days, regular Masses and Retreats that has Renewed our celebration of these events. Under Viv's energetic and enthusiastic co-ordination students were offered opportunities that provided ample scope to pray using their particular talents. Some joined the choir, read at liturgies, performed liturgical dance, became Eucharistic Ministers while others helped prepare celebrations, played musical instruments or operated sound systems. A re-shaping of how we thank God for all the blessings of the year, for example, saw each year group planning, participating and praying their own Thanksgiving celebration. Staff and students look forward to Viv taking up this role in a permanent capacity from 2009.

I would particularly like to thank Fr Jess, our College Chaplain, for his participation in our Masses, Retreats and other events. His cheerful enthusiasm, despite his very busy life as a Parish Priest, is an example to us all. I would also like to thank Sue Barker of the Diocesan Office for her indefatigable energy at the Year Twelve Retreat.

Religious Education occupies a central place in all that we do at Bunbury Catholic College. We are blessed to have the support of a strong leadership team, a talented and dedicated staff, an enthusiastic student body, and the encouragement of the parent and parish community. It has been a very enjoyable experience working in such an environment.

**Mrs Gobi May**  
**Head of Religious Education**



This year has seen the College involved in many wonderful Liturgies, Retreats and Christian Service Learning programmes. As always our students offer to participate in so many ways and I am extremely grateful for their efforts.

We began Term One with the Opening Mass in the Sports Centre; Bishop Holohan presided and Father Jess Navarra was the co-celebrant. The new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion were commissioned and presented with their badges. Ash Wednesday fell very early this year and a Liturgy of the Word was celebrated in the Homerooms. Holy Thursday saw the Arts Department work together to create a meaningful Liturgy that truly engaged the students. World Youth Day was brought into focus with the College celebrating a Mass and Bishop Holohan blessing the students and staff who were going on this pilgrimage.

Term Two saw the Year 12 students go off on their annual four day Retreat, an experience all said was truly amazing. Many staff gave up their time to work with these young people to help them develop a better appreciation of their relationship with both God and their parents.

The World Youth Day Cross and Icon of Our lady arrived in Bunbury in May and the College celebrated this event with the Parish by hosting a Mass in the Sports centre. Students came from many schools and the one of the highlights of this Mass was the cross being surfed over the crowd so that as many people as possible got to touch it.

The Year Eight students invited their mothers and grandmothers to a Mother's Day Mass after which morning tea was served. It was lovely to see how well received this event was. Not to be outdone, the fathers attended a Father's Day breakfast which was followed by a Liturgy of the Word. This too was a well attended event. The Year Nine students invited their grandparents to join them for Mass and morning tea and once again a large number of people turned out for this special occasion. It is always gratifying to see how much support our students get from their families!

The Year Nine students have completed their Christian Service Learning component by visiting a number of aged care facilities in and around Bunbury. It has been delightful watching our students interacting with the residents. Students have been happy to entertain by playing the piano, helping out in the gardens, serving morning tea or engaging in craft activities. My sincere thanks to all the teachers who took these students on the visits.

All through the year Father Jess Navarra has celebrated Mass on Wednesday mornings for various groups of students. The Mass is during Religious education lessons and students from different year groups attend. It has been pleasing to note the reverence that is shown

during this time, and many students have voiced their appreciation at being able to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist during the week.

This year the format for the Year 12 rite of passage changed and the students celebrated Graduation Mass together with their teachers in the chapel. Father Tony Chiera and Father Jess Navarra concelebrated this Mass. Father Tony encouraged our students to go out and be a light to the world. Instead of a whole school, a Mass of Thanksgiving was held for each year group as they neared the end of the year.

The Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assisted with the setting up of the liturgies, opening up the Chapel and distributing the Eucharist at Mass. My thanks go to these young people who willingly gave up many hours of their time not only to assist me, but to be Christian examples for their peers.

Recently we have trained a group of Year 11 students as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. I look forward to working with these wonderful students as we work together to provide meaningful liturgies for the College over the next twelve months.

I would like to thank Father Jess Navarra, our College chaplain, for his advice and assistance over the last year. It has been a privilege to work with him. Special thanks must also go to the Pastoral Assistant, Mrs Janet Wilson without whose help and support I would have struggled to fulfil my role as Campus Ministry Coordinator. She is truly a wonderful asset to Bunbury Catholic College!

*Mrs Vic McKenzie*



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## Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion 2008

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



We all gathered at Perth Airport on Wednesday morning, there was great excitement in the air!!! After a long flight we landed in Sydney, where Brother Michael was waiting to take us to St Joseph's College in Hunter's Hill.

Once there, the students worked in small groups, were treated to some great music, participated in a beautiful Fire Liturgy and finally watched an awesome fireworks display.

Over the next few days, we participated in Masses, listened to speakers from around the globe and worked in our small groups to learn more about how we could improve the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves. Father Jess accompanied us to Sydney and Bishop Gerard Holohan joined us for the final liturgy.

Monday came and we caught up on laundry and did a bit of sightseeing and shopping!

On Tuesday we joined thousands of pilgrims and walked through the city centre on our way to the Opening Mass at Barrangaroo. It was very warm and took ages to actually get into the site. We didn't have a great location, but it was wonderful to be a part of such a multicultural crowd. A Maori choir from New Zealand performed at the Mass. We had met all the members, as they had also been part of the Marist Festival and were staying with us!

On Thursday we sat at Cockle Bay in Darling Harbour and watched the Papal Arrival. Finally we got to see Pope Benedict! The ceremony was fantastic and included many aspects of the Aboriginal culture!

Friday saw us back in Barrangaroo watching the 'Stations of the Cross'. We were at Station Seven - Simon of Cyrene carries the Cross - and we had a spectacular view of the procession. We were very close to the Crucifixion, and so had a great view of all the remaining Stations.

On Saturday we joined the other pilgrims and walked across Sydney Harbour Bridge and then on to Randwick, a distance of nine and a half kilometres. Once we arrived we set up our sleeping bags and got ready to take part in the Evening Vigil. It was a truly beautiful experience. Reconciliation was available to those who wanted to celebrate this Sacrament. Adoration of the Eucharist went on until well into the early hours of the morning and people sang and danced through the night.

On Sunday morning Pope Benedict arrived by helicopter and then came through Randwick in the 'Pope Mobile'. During the final Mass, a group of international pilgrims made their Confirmation, how lucky were they to be confirmed by Pope Benedict himself! Once Mass was over we left Randwick and made our way to the airport. All of us were tired and some of us were sick, but the experience was one we will never forget!



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## Ignite the Heart, Embrace the Vision, Transform the World.

The 10th of July was a date we were all eagerly awaiting, it was the start of the Marist International Festival. The Festival would bring together young Marists from every continent in the beautiful setting of one of Sydney's most prestigious schools Saint Joseph's College, in Hunter's Hill.

On the first of the four days the theme of the festival was revealed: to Ignite the Heart, Embrace the Vision, Transform the World. A bus ride delivered 800 of us to the Marist Brothers' spiritual centre in Australia, the tranquil grounds of the Hermitage in Mittagong.

Snow was starting to fall as the buses arrived and the cold invaded the warmest of jackets. After being placed in Pilgrim groups we were keen to get a warm drink and get stuck into some activities. Meeting people from all over the world was such an experience and a constant laugh as we resorted to hand gestures and crude diagrams to break down the barrier of speaking different languages.

The evening saw the official opening of the Festival with an inspiring address from the former Governor General of Australia Sir William Deane which left us all feeling that we could indeed transform the world. A candlelight Mass and fireworks were the perfect ending to a huge day.

Over the next three days a string of esteemed Marist Brothers from all over the world delivered thought provoking seminars after a morning catechesis. We would then meet up with our Pilgrim groups and share our ideas. A night ferry ride into the city for a picnic dinner under the majestic Harbour Bridge was definitely a highlight as was the trip to Luna Park that was to follow, which saw a couple of students needing the fresh air of an outdoor seat on the ferry ride home.

The fourth day of the Festival came and was spent exchanging pins, bandanas, mini koalas and email addresses. After a final Mass and concert, reluctant goodbyes took place as we thanked our new friends for making this a week we would never forget.

Ms Casey Sawyer



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## GIVE A DAMN GIVE A CAN APPEAL

The Year 8 Student Leaders organised the 'Give a Damn Give a Can' Appeal, aiming to produce lots of cans for the needy. Each faction from all the years brought in cans and earlier this week they were displayed in long lines to be counted. The results are as follows:

<b>Valentine</b>	-	<b>126 cans</b>
<b>McAuley</b>	-	<b>152 cans</b>
<b>Marcellin</b>	-	<b>99 cans</b>
<b>Xavier</b>	-	<b>104 cans</b>

The 'Give a Damn Give a Can' Appeal was a great success! Teamwork, cooperation and compassion for the needy was displayed in each of our Houses.

*Alison Andrade 8M*

## Burma Appeal

After the devastating natural disaster that struck Burma, affecting the lives of such a large number of people who were without homes and the families of all of those who had died, we launched the Burma Appeal to be run at the School. By placing many containers at the canteen windows, students were asked to place any spare change into them to help those in need in Burma through the link with Caritas aid. This method of fundraising was extremely effective as it made students aware that whilst they purchased their food, there were others in the world who were not as fortunate!

## Daffodil Day

With a lot of help from the following Year 12 students: Anissa de Lima, Ben Durrell, Rachel Easter, Sarah Horton, Lisa Ip, Rodwell Kahango, Bree Milligan and Patrick Smith, Daffodil Day was a huge success. The College raised \$868.50 for the Cancer Council of Western Australia from the sale of flowers and merchandise and the Staff morning tea. Great effort!

*Mrs Wendy Morris*

## Valentine's Day Chocolate

The Year 11 House Leaders were involved in the creation and selling of the Valentine's Day chocolates. We sold the cards with various messages with an attached chocolate. We raised \$212.65 and donated this to Project Compassion. These messages and chocolates were a great success and seem to be always popular with the students.

*Year 11 House Leaders*





The Christian Service Learning in Year 10 highlighted so much of the spirit and commitment which is the essence of this College.

**Service Activity 1 - Woodwork in the Workshop:**

**Service Activity 2 - Making Christmas Hampers** which were taken to Ocean Star. :

**Service Activity 3 – Craft- gift cards to give to the elderly.**

**Service Activity 4 - Peer Helpers' Programme:** In 2009, a group of Year 11 students will act as peer mentors to the Year 8 students.

**Service Activity 5 - Individual paintings:** A series of paintings to brighten the walls along the main passage ways at Ocean Star.

**Service Activity 6 - Tidy Up and paint Bus Shelters at Bunbury Catholic College:**

**Service Activity 7 - Building a Cubby House:** Two cubby houses were built which will be sold and the money donated to St Vincent De Paul.

**Service Activity 8 - Canteen 'Thank You Lunch' for Parents:**

**Service Activity 9 - Helping at the In-Town Lunch Centre:**

**Service Activity 10 - Providing Assistance to Teachers at Leschenault, St Joseph's and St Mary's Catholic Primary Schools:**

**Service Activity 11 - Backyard Blitz at the Carmelite Monastery in Gelorup:**

**Service Activity 12 - Creative Computing:** The students generated fun activities for primary school aged children to be published as part of a 'holiday pack'. Word sleuths and other puzzles were also prepared for the residents of Ocean Star.

**Service Activity 13 - Banners for College Liturgies:**



### Year 9 Retreat

At the Year 9 Retreat we learnt about sexuality and how the male and female body works. It was an interesting experience learning about all the diseases that we can get and how to prevent them. We also discussed what changes we go through during puberty. We talked about the physical, mental and emotional changes. After lunch we went outside and walked through the bush. Then we listened to six young mums from Milligan House who talked about their experience of having children at an early age. They told us about how hard it was to tell their parents and about the hard decision as to what to do with the baby. After the mums had left we made 3D diagrams of our body parts. It was a fun and informative day for all.

Kelsie



### The Sleepover

After the first day of Year 9 Retreat, 65 students stayed at school for a 'solidarity sleepover'. This was to experience what homeless people go through each night, even in Bunbury. We had to sleep on gym mats with no blankets or heating. It was tough and it was meant to put you out of your comfort zone.

The Year 11 student leaders ran the night. The games that we played were fun for all, especially the newspaper fashion parade. Morning brought the end of the sleepover and the second half of the retreat. A big breakfast complimented the small dinner the night before! Everyone had a good time.

Daniel C



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## Year 12 Retreat

On Tuesday 6th May, the Year 12 students set out to 4 different campsites over the South West. It was at these campsites that we had the opportunity to learn more about ourselves, our relationships with our families, friends and communities and our relationship with God.

During Retreat we spent much of our time in groups with people whom we had never taken the time to get to know. This was a perfect opportunity for us to create new friendships and patch up old ones. On behalf of the year 12's we would like to make a special mention of those teachers who gave their time, effort and talents to making retreat a special time for us all. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the retreat site staff who provided us with a comfortable stay.

We would also like to thank each of the priests who made their way out to the various campsites to lead us in Mass and reflection. But perhaps the most enriching experience of retreat was receiving our letters from our parents, so we would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents of every Year 12 student who took time out of their busy lives to write them. Your efforts often go unmentioned but never unappreciated.

*Matthew Befumo and Natasha Carbone*







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## MADNESS – The Life of Dance

Our first semester dance production titled "Madness – The Life of Dance" was held on Wednesday, 25th June 2008. This was a culmination of this semester's dance programme for Year 9, 10, 11 & 12 Dance students. The dance evening, which was held in the College Hall was run by the Year 12 Dance students as part of their course. The night was a great success and well done to all performers.

### ACHERP 2008

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 who offer dance as part of the curriculum are asked to showcase their talents. Year 11 and 12 students presented a dramatic item titled "We are the Audience" which enabled the dancers to become the audience rather than the performers.



## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

The Nineteenth Annual Performing Arts Festival for Catholic Schools and Colleges was held in Perth during the 3rd term. Some 17 500 students participated from metropolitan and country regions from all over Western Australia. The festival is an opportunity to showcase the gifts and talents abundant in Catholic Schools. In the Dance Section Bunbury Catholic College participated in 4 items and were awarded two Awards of Excellence, one Honourable Mentions and one Certificates of Merit. Our Year 11 and 12 Dance students performed four dances at the Perth Convention Centre and stayed overnight at the Goodearth Hotel. This was a wonderful and enjoyable trip for our dancers. In the Rock Band Section Bunbury Catholic College was represented by "The Stratz" who are Courtney Downes, Sam Wilson, Brodie Stewart, Reilly Stewart and a big thank you to Ben Pilatti in Year 12 who made up the 5 members for the College. They were awarded one Award of Excellence and one Honourable Mention. Brodie Stewart received a Certificate of Merit for his pianoforte performance. I wish to congratulate and thank all students for representing Bunbury Catholic College who are clearly committed to the Performing Arts.

*Mrs Dianne Stewart*

## Students in the Spotlight

On the night of the 23rd of September the Year 11 and 12 dance girls were ready to perform at the Students in the Spotlight exhibition in the school hall. It was to be a night to remember with visual arts, dance, drama, woodwork, media, english and many other subjects on showcase for all to see the students amazing talents. The Year 12's were 'old pros' as they had performed at the Students in the Spotlight before, while the Year 11's were slightly more nervous. Their confidence was boosted as they went onstage as there was an enthusiastic audience who appreciated the effort that every student and teacher had put into the night. The dances began with a contemporary warm up which is an important part of dance. The night then moved onto the Year 11's contemporary dance pieces that were all different and extremely creative. The Year 12's then presented their hip hop routine and then with the Year 11's put on a Spanish piece which showed an array of colours and vibrant movements which then concluded the dance section. The night was a success with the colourful displays and creative dance and drama performances that really highlight the talent that we have at our school. Everyone should be proud of their efforts!

*Kelsey Vickridge*



## DANCE WINDOWS – Looking Through

We concluded the year with our second semester performance of Dance Windows – Looking Through in December. It was a culmination of all the second semester dances from years 9 – 12. The evening was a huge success and finished off with a special presentation of flowers to Year 12 Dance Class of 2008. Congratulations to all those on and off stage for such a professional performance. It has been a very exciting and rewarding year of dance in 2008. Well done everyone.

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### In the Spotlight

The Drama aspect of the Students in the Spotlight exhibition saw the Year 12 Drama and Drama Studies students flat out amidst a blur of crazy rehearsals, nerves, applause, and Red Bull. The 23rd of September was no ordinary night for the Year 12s... it would be the night they unveiled their long-awaited Original Solo Productions to the public.

Original Solo Productions (OSPs) are 5-7 minute monologues written and performed by Drama students as part of the Task 7 component of the Drama course. Every year BCC's Year 12s bring to life a variety of exciting characters, and this year's group was no exception.

The OSPs began with Hayley Palumbo as a crazed Elvis fan protesting her love for The King, Candi Combes as an institutionalised schizophrenic with slight parental issues, Adam Hartnup as an indignant software virus, and Sarah "Bushy" Forrest as a grandmother locked in a public toilet cubicle.

These were followed by Ben Durrell as a young musician dying to gain entry into the notorious '27 Club', Emily Lloyd as a grieving British woman who goes on to become a connoisseur of teas from all over the world, Shauna Upton as a teenage girl driven to an eating disorder in an attempt to please her parents, and Taylor Buoro-Long as a child convinced that Superman can save her from an abusive adult.

Finally, the audience saw Sarah Horton as she portrayed the highs and lows of a mother-daughter relationship, Rhys Remeika as a bullied high-school student pushed over the edge, Owen Hingston as a working-class hero, proud to pack fudge for a living and Emily Laurino as a very patriotic Australian statue on show in Italy.

Maybe I'm slightly biased, but I found that all of this year's OSPs were incredibly original and entertaining, as well as having the ability to evoke genuine emotions from the audience, be it fear, sadness, joy, or even empathy. One thing was for sure- they certainly had plenty to talk about over their tea, coffee, and Arnott's Assorted Biscuits at interval!

**Hayley Palumbo**

*Year 12 Drama Studies Student*



### Year 12 Drama:

#### Excursions!

As many who have experienced them will know, drama excursions are things of legends. They are widely acknowledged to be a great excuse to sing crazy bus songs and just generally scare the inhabitants of Bunbury as we release all that dramatic tension we actors are famous for.

The first of these excursions was to the Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre (BREC) to see Bell Shakespeare's *As You Like It*. This brought back fond memories of our 2007 production of *Romeo and Juliet*. While we all agreed that it was a good production and the Bell Shakespeare company are true professionals, we all also acknowledged of course, that Bell Shakespeare have nothing on our Year Twelve Drama class!

Although our first theatre visit left our rather large egos intact, our second one managed to deflate them quite quickly. Black Swan Theatre Company's production of *The Female of the Species* by Joanna Murray-Smith, was one which 'blew us away'. The level of skill, energy and focus the actors maintained was quite phenomenal. This brilliant comic farce had us all 'rocking in our seats'. Needless to say, writing our critical reviews on a flawless production was quite a challenge.

As the sun set on our last ever drama excursion there were mixed feelings, knowing that although we'll probably never have to write another critical review again, the live theatre experience with our peers is one we'll miss. So while we may no longer be able to experience what we like to call the 'Drama Buzz', we hope to pass this legacy on to all future BCC drama students. Rock On!

**Shauna Upton**

*Year 12 Drama Studies Student*

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## Years 9 – 11 Drama

As Ms Helen Carey departed at the end of Term One for maternity leave, there were big shoes to fill and the race was on to familiarise myself with the faces of around 120 drama students. It has been wonderful to get to know so many talented and enthusiastic Drama students at BCC over three terms.

The Year 9's have enjoyed quite a mixed bag as we've explored Commedia Dell Arte, Scripted Drama and Stage Combat. Their work has culminated in the exploration of two pieces of documentary drama, with one class exploring the issue of bullying and the other delving into the realities of depression and the personal journey of one's faith. It was the maturity with which these two groups of students approached their work and then the stage, that most impressed me. No doubt their performances stirred and challenged their audience's thinking at the Year 9 & 10 Drama Night in November.

This event also saw the Year 10 Drama students making their mark on the stage as the product of their semester's work on Musical Theatre came to fruition. With excerpts from Chicago and Grease, students worked in groups to produce their own slant on each of these showstopper numbers. Students began to understand the importance of the 'triple threat', as they coordinated acting, dancing and singing, which is certainly no mean feat.

2008 saw the state wide introduction of the new 2A/2B Drama course, which for the Year 11's is a tertiary bound course and subsequently quite demanding. The group have been put through their paces studying everything from Elizabethan Theatre, to Absurd Theatre to the more familiar Realistic Theatre. The students enjoyed Bell Shakespeare's *As You Like It*, and *The Caucasian Chalk Circle*, a co-production between Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre and Stark Raven Theatre Company. The highlight however, was the students' own performance of an excerpt of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, which took place at Students in the Spotlight. Students took up the challenge of juggling the pressure of performance, with the responsibility of a production role, giving them the chance to experience a little 'hands on' experience, something they gained a lot from.

Time flew by with the Year 12's, a group who were so 'tight' that I was exposed to somewhat of an interrogation upon my arrival in Term Two. Luckily I passed and was honoured with the title of 'Sheriff', which they backed up on their last day in Term Four, when they adorned me in hat, badge, gun and holster (the plastic kind of course). The highlight of my brief time at BCC has certainly been to witness this talented group and their approach to Drama, in that they are a group who consistently supported one another and genuinely enjoyed each other's successes.

Our silent star of course was behind-the-scenes guru, Mrs Karen Walker. Not just any Arts Assistant, she has been an asset to the Drama department adding her creative flare to all kinds of costume conundrums and supporting both the students and myself at the various events throughout the year. A big thank you Karen!

*Mrs Shana O'Shea*  
Drama Co-ordinator

## Monologues

During the ever-so-hectic Semester One exams, the Year 12 TEE and Non-TEE Drama Classes headed to the Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre to perform their mock practical exam and Task One assessment - the (dreaded) monologue!

This was the first task done with our new teacher, Sheriff O'Shea, and she dutifully calmed our collective nervousness as we flitted about side of stage watching the actors in the previous categories perform. The City of Bunbury Eisteddfod recently added a TEE Drama section to their Drama performances, allowing us to get feedback not only from our teacher but from the adjudicator (and our lovely parents in the audience).

BCC was the only school to enter TEE students into this section, so we had the added tension of competing against each other - though this was hardly a problem for the "drama family" that we've been cultivating since Year Nine.

The feedback commended our monologues on a very high standard of performance, as well as challenging content, including issues addressing death, addiction, illness and pyromania, to name a few. Each person scored well, with Candi Combes and Ben Durrell being awarded joint first place. All in all the evening was an invaluable experience for us to be able to perform at such a prominent event.

*Emily Lloyd*  
Year 12 Drama Studies Student



### Year 11 Media

The media class started the year by looking at celebrities and stars and the use of celebrities and stars in advertising. In Term one students had to shoot either a promotional or paparazzi photograph or make a film poster or magazine cover of a celebrity they created themselves. Their fantastic work was displayed in the Library. In Term two students got the opportunity to make their own advertisements, which proved, despite many technical dramas, a great success!

In the second semester we examined the representation of reality. We began in Term three by looking at subcultures. Students used their research into a subculture of their choice to produce some amazing collages, which were displayed at 'Students in the Spotlight'. Students then went on to take photographs for, and write a feature article on, an issue aimed at a particular subculture. In Term Four we focused on Reality Television and endeavoured to get to the bottom of the popularity and purpose of this increasingly pervasive television genre. As well as analysing different texts from the genre students also had the opportunity to plan their own Reality Television series.

*Mrs Kate Bovell*



### Year 12 Media

For the first time this year the College offered Media as a Course of Study for the graduating year group. Both TEE and Wholly School assessed Year 12 students had the opportunity to study Media Production and Analysis.

Like the name suggests the course involves students drafting, planning, producing and critiquing their own media works as well as analysing international media.

The first semester was spent studying Pop Culture, which meant enjoying and deconstructing light media such as the sitcom, web network sites, advertising and film. The first production assessment saw the students making their own music videos.

Broadcasting was the focus of the second semester. Students traced broadcasting back to its beginnings and discussed why video killed the radio star and the decline of print news. Photography was popular and some impressive images were produced.

*Ms Casey Sawyer*

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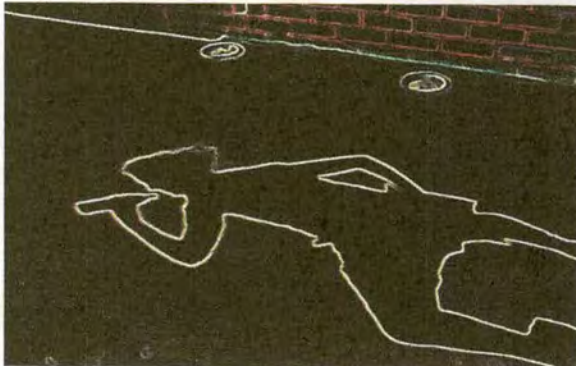
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The Music Department has experienced another year of growth and consolidation. On the growth side we have initiated a Percussion Band, under the direction of Mr. Luke Campbell, which has performed with great success on a number of occasions. We have also seen an increase in the number and variety of individual lessons being offered by peripatetic teachers, with singing, brass, drums, piano and guitar being presented to a total of approximately 40 students.

On the consolidation side, the Choir and the Concert Band have continued to delight audiences at a number of events throughout the year, with highlights being the Masses and Feast Day. The Concert Band had a particularly good outing when they participated in the 'Queen's Cup' Competition at Australind Senior High School in the third term. This is our first showing at that particular event and the Band won many friends and much acclaim.

We'd like to thank all the peripatetic teachers for their continued efforts in advancing the College's music in many areas.

On the down side, it is still concerning to see how many of our top musicians in the College successfully participate in outside events (Eisteddfod, band competitions) but don't enlist for school music. We would love to change that and encourage all students to come forward and display their skills for their peers.

The Year 12 Music in Society students, however, once again demonstrated their abilities by organising and participating in an exciting 'Music Night' which did showcase the talents of many students.

We couldn't finish without mentioning the great band that accompanies the choir at all Masses. Our thanks go to Brodie Stewart, Elliot Frost, Ryan Rowlandson, Melissa Foss and Daniel Temple for their consistent time and effort.

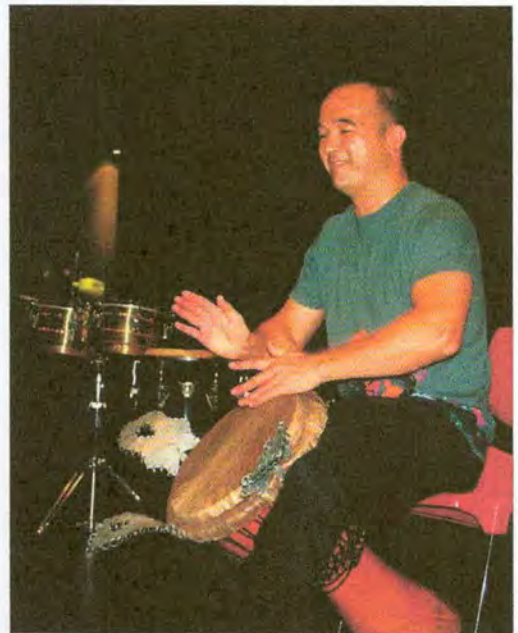
**Mr Rory McKenzie**

### "Drum Beat"

In Term 3 we were visited by a group called "Drum Beat". The group comprised two brilliant percussionists who entertained the Year 8 students to a feast of rhythms and sounds. They were able to explain the history of the many drums they used and also their country of origin and what the drums were used for.

This was a very visual display as the two men demonstrated a wide variety of percussion instruments, both solo and in ensembles.

The end result was a rush to the Music Department to begin drum lessons!



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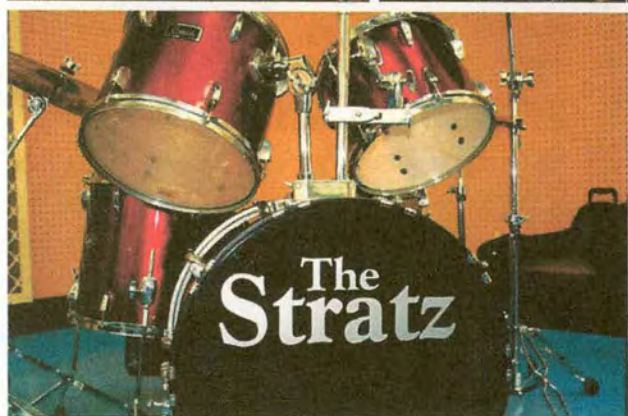
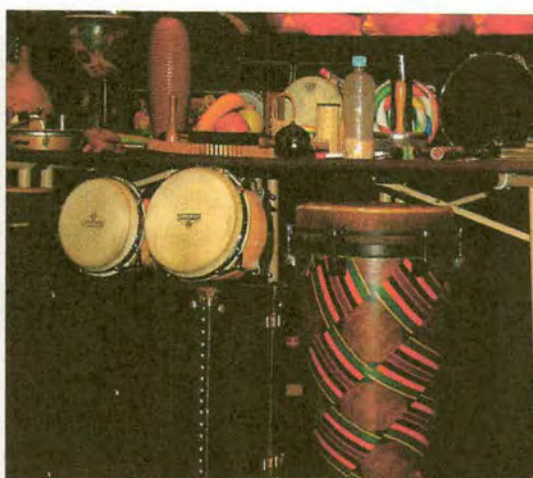
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### Students in the Spotlight

On the 23rd September, Bunbury Catholic College once again hosted the 'Students in the Spotlight' Exhibition in the College Hall. I am very pleased to say that this year was even more successful than the last with a fantastic turnout of parents, students and staff. In the first few years of its inception, the original aim of the evening was to display art work from the Yr 12 TEE Art students as it formed part of their final assessment. Today the exhibition now provides the College with a wonderful opportunity to display student work from various disciplines and all year groups produced over the course of the year.

This year included Business Skills, Computer & Digital Graphics, Dance, Drama, Early Childhood Studies, English, Jewellery, Media, Music, Science, Yr 8 Integrated Studies, Wood work and of course Visual Arts. Once again we extended our invitation to Bunbury Catholic College staff to showcase their creative talents. Students were greatly impressed by the work of Mrs. Maughan, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Kanakis, Mrs. Salathiel and Mr. Steele.

Patrons enjoyed wine and light finger food kindly donated by the P & F Association. I thank them for their continued support of an evening that recognises the high standard of work our students are producing. Thanks must also be extended to Mrs. Karen Walker for the organisation of refreshments, to Mr. Maratea who aided in the set up of the exhibition and presided over the evening's program, Mr Campbell and his music students who provided the evening's entertainment, Mrs Stewart and her dance students for exhibiting beautiful performances, the Groundsmen for aiding in the exhibition set up and to the Year 11 students who volunteered their hospitable services. The exhibition's success would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication from BCC staff and students. I am extremely grateful for the College Community's tremendous support of this event.

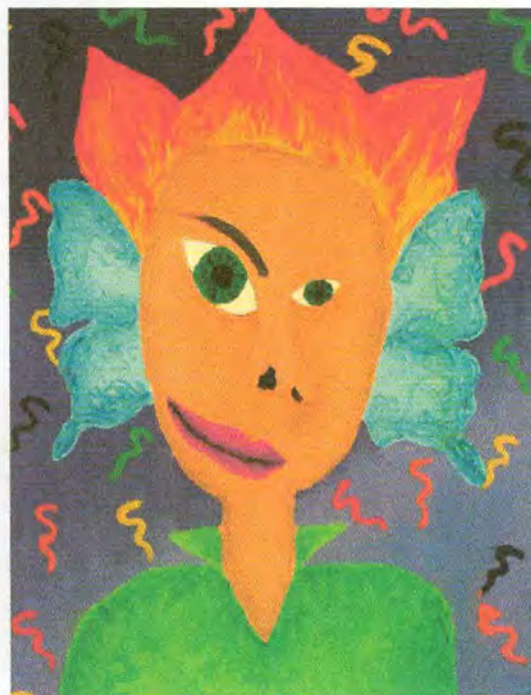
**Ms Brenda Della-Sale**  
Art Teacher



### Iluka Visions Exhibition 2008

From the 25th October to 23rd November the Iluka Visions Student Art Exhibition was held at the Bunbury Regional Art Galleries. This exhibition gives secondary students an opportunity to have their work displayed in a professional gallery space and to be viewed by the local community. This year Bunbury Catholic College was proud to be represented by 15 artworks from the following 14 students: Jaraisa Allen, Lauren Eddy, Braden Fimmano (8), Antonia Keen, Thomas Jackson, Megan Pedulla (9), Chelsea Busher, Francien Boom, Meghan Castelli (10), Clare Martella, Bree-Anna Dorant (11), Courtney Downes (12), Renee Fish and Sarah Jackson (12 in 2007). Congratulations to these students and to Meghan Castelli for winning the Lower School 3D/Sculpture Award.

**Ms Brenda Della-Sale**  
Art Teacher



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# Visual Arts

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## Year 11 Art

Taking the reigns of being a senior student, art became a subject that we strived to excel in. From Year 10 art to Year 11 art there was a great improvement in our work, from our visual diaries to our final pieces. We experienced change not only in our work area but also in our work ethic and we were able to get a lot more done this year.

We started the year off with our first theme of "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" and we could interpret this however we wanted through drawing mediums. For inspiration we were lucky enough to be taken to Perth, for an interesting workshop and influential viewing of the best visual diaries in WA for 2007. Our finished studio pieces, ranged from pencil sketches to detailed mixed media expressions. It was interesting to see each student's individual interpretation of the theme.

In Term Two we were fortunate enough to create the posters for the "Students in the Spotlight" Exhibition. This involved a painful technique called etching where we had to design a school themed image. Even though this process took its toll on the students, the end results looked fantastic so we picked our best studio piece which was then placed around the school in poster form to promote the event.

Eager to begin this term we were excited to be taken to the Big Swamp Bird Park where we were given our next theme "Wild on Top". This involved us creating hats which were to be inspired by animals in motion. After a few visits to the park we came back with loads of drawings ready to start designing. Everyone had unique ideas for their hats which we had to construct from wire and other materials. It was a long process which needed continuous attention in order to complete in time but in the end as per usual, everyone was able to finish in time for "Students in the Spotlight". There were a range of creative hats from giant swans and octopus to more abstract interpretations of a fish.

In our final term of Year 11, we were able to finish off the year with the theme "Figure in the Landscape" which was to be done as an oil painting assignment. Everyone had different ideas from focusing on the figure and/or a landscape they had chosen. All students have promising ideas and we look forward to seeing the finished product in next year's exhibition. The pressure was on however with only 5 weeks of the term and only two weeks left until exams but we all worked hard to finish our studio pieces.

Overall we have had a fulfilling year, learning about different artists and techniques that will be helpful to some of us in the future. We are all looking forward to Art in Year 12, knowing that we will have to put in just as much effort as we did this year.

*Clare Martella and Courtnie Tosana, loyal art students*



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## Yr 12 Art Camp

On Friday 8th February to Sunday the 10th, Year 12 Art students along with Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School Art students, travelled to Augusta. Once we were settled into our hostel we went by bus down to the Leeuwin Lighthouse where we sketched our surroundings. However with the sun going down and the mosquitoes biting we went back to the hostel to capture the figure through gesture drawings. The teachers happily volunteered their modelling expertise.

On Saturday we had several destinations on our itinerary including Hamelin Bay, Boranup Forest and Flinders Bay where we observed people the landscape and its animals. That day we tried to capture the light and colour of the moment like the French Impressionists.

On Sunday after one last drawing session at Margaret River and checking out the local galleries we headed home, tired but glad to have experienced a weekend of inspirational art!

*Courtney Dawnes Yr 12 Art Student*

## As Socrates said over two thousand years ago, "I cannot teach anybody anything, I can only make them think."

This philosophy permeates the English curriculum. Throughout years Eight to Twelve, students are exposed to a variety of texts aimed at developing their understanding of the Australia they live in, and the world. We also look at texts from different eras to develop an understanding of the past. In doing this, students become more aware of the values and attitudes they hold, and how these determine their responses to the events and texts they are exposed to. Ultimately, we feel we are successful if we encourage students to become critical consumers, rather than passive receivers, of messages in films, documentaries, novels, advertisements, feature articles and television programs. Melissa Foss, a Year 12 student said; "Although I have learnt to analyse texts better, I can no longer watch a film without being critical and picking out all the techniques used [to persuade] in it." Fellow Year 12 Ashleigh Plaskett reflected that she could no longer read "senseless novels" because she found herself "deconstructing every sentence". "Teenage soppy novels" are definitely now off the agenda! Music to an English teacher's ears!

Of course, students also need to develop the ability to express themselves effectively, fluently and creatively. Over the course of the year, some outstanding essays, short stories and poems have been produced by students across all years at Bunbury Catholic College. Many of these were on display during 'Students in the Spotlight'. As a means of widening the context of educational experiences, a number of students have attended extracurricula activities. This year, 12 BCC students were selected to participate in the Youth Literature Days Programme – an exciting course where once a term students are given the opportunity to meet and learn from published authors such as Matt Ottley (awarded the 2008 Picture Book of the Year by the Children's Book Council of Australia), Catherine Bateson, Anthony Eaton and Kirsty Murray. Inspiration was palpable, and imagination flowed as students composed and shared their own writing under the guidance of the visiting authors. The results of this course, which aims to lend support and guidance for students wishing to further their creative writing skills, will be visible when their work is published in a 'Creative Writing Compendium' at the end of the year.

In May, Year Eleven students attended the Bell Shakespeare production of *As You Like It* at the Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre. For most, it was their first experience of live theatre. On returning to school, students were further entertained by the presentation *The Conspirators*. This workshop explored the dilemmas of leadership, lust for power, loyalty and hate in a compilation of scenes from *Othello* and *Julius Caesar*. Whilst these plays were composed over four hundred years ago in England, aspects of the human condition were represented as timeless and universal. The audience was able to recognise the generic bully, the power hungry

troublemaker and the conniving backstabber; as well as the inevitable consequences of immortality and bad decisions.

Who said Shakespeare isn't relevant in the 21st Century? In September, Year 12s visited Edith Cowan University for a day of lectures presented by experienced educators; the aim was to prepare students for the English WACE exam. Additionally, they benefited from the experience of being a "uni" student for a day. The co-curricular program offered by the English Department at BCC continues to flourish. On Wednesdays, tutorials addressing exam techniques and preparation were provided for senior students; on Thursdays, tutorials covering specific writing and comprehension skills were available for lower school students. Debating proved popular, culminating in competitive public speaking with other South West students.

This year also saw the start of Film Society for Upper School students. The aim was to provide an opportunity to improve visual literacy, as well as to meet and encourage their interest in the study of film. Students viewed a variety of challenging and thought-provoking films that they wouldn't necessarily be exposed to normally, including Alfred Hitchcock's masterpiece *Vertigo*, Ang Lee's foreign language film *Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon*, the groundbreaking *The Matrix*, and Ridley Scott's classic *Alien*. It is necessary for students of both English and Media to have visual texts that they are able to refer to in exams. Film Society aims to develop and refine students' analytical skills and provide them with extra visual texts that they can add to their repertoire. Overall, it has certainly been a frenetic, productive and ultimately rewarding year; for both the English Department staff and our students. Hopefully we have encouraged our students to "think", and therefore learn.

**Ms Vanessa Hicks - Head of English**

### English this year by Courtney, Georgia V and Luke M (post scripts by Ms Mullane)

- We enjoyed working in groups*
- We enjoyed period 5, relaxing in the Library (reading you mean?)*
- We enjoyed watching DVDs (for viewing activities, of course)*
- We didn't like writing heaps of essays (you should try marking them!)*
- We enjoyed our cultural assignments (a wide range of cultures were researched)*
- We enjoyed the oral presentations when we got food (so did I!)*
- We didn't like reading out loud in front of the class*
- We enjoyed listening to others' opinions on life.*

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### BCC Learning Centre

This year saw some new faces within the Learning Centre and we welcomed Mrs Uma Weeks, Mrs Joanne Lutley and Mrs Wilmot to the team.

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.

Other programmes that run through the Learning Centre are a Business Enterprise Unit and a Recreation and Leisure Unit. The Recreation and Leisure Unit is a new one and offers some of our students the opportunity to experience a range of activities in the wider community as well as an opportunity to practice practical skills such as shopping and planning their ventures.

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 2009 promises to be even more exciting and rewarding.

**Ms Sue Williams**  
**Head of Learning Centre**

### Business Skills

Business Skills is a group of eight students from Years 9-12 who come together every Tuesday to run a small business. It involves budgeting, costing and producing products that all the students make and market.

This year we have produced scented candle pots made from air dried clay, and hessian wine gift bags which we market and sell.

The students enjoy coming to Business Skills every Tuesday to make the candle pots and hessian wine gift bags. It also gives the students a chance to learn about how to run a small business.

**Kura Nilon Yr 9**



# Mathematics

The 2008 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 Bunbury Catholic College was well represented by the Bunbury Catholic College team comprising **Jessica Akl, Johanna Lee, Daniel Chegwiddden, Cameron Ayre, William Garvey and Luke Bark**, finishing in fourth position overall.

Bunbury Catholic College students also participated 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 2008 AMC. Among the certificate winners were four students who achieved a High Distinction – **Cameron Ayre (Year 8), Timothy Peskett (Year 9), Min Luo (Year 11) and John Dewhurst (Year 12)**.

The Prudence Award is presented to the student who answers the greatest number of consecutive questions correctly, and this year the winner was **Benjamin Szabadics (Year 8)**. Altogether 19 students achieved Distinctions and a further 54 students received Credits. A full list of student achievement in the AMC is presented in the Achiever's section of the Year book.

Last year also saw successful TEE results with the Calculus class of 2007 named among the top 10 for results in the state. This year's Calculus class are also aiming high and we wish all of our Year 12 students the best in their endeavours not only in the TEE, but with their pursuits in 2009.

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. Preparing for the new technologies and courses of study for 2009 has occupied many additional hours but we look forward to the smooth implementation of the new courses.

The voluntary tutoring after hours, the sharing of resources in teaching teams and the support they have given myself and each other is invaluable.

**Mrs Allison Fergie**  
**Head of Mathematics**



## Physical Education

2008 saw a huge influx of students taking the new WACE PE Studies courses. For the first time, the Year 12's sat their TEE exams in PE Studies.

The Physical Education Department is not just PE Classes. The Department coordinates all the extra curricular sporting activities, House Carnivals, lunch time activities and options such as Outdoor Ed and Health.

This year we had several changes to the department with new staff Mr Avard, Mr Northover and Ms Wood, Mr Hearne and Ms Crosby and our wonderful assistant Caitlin Davis. We welcomed back Mr Jones into PE studies. Of course the ever reliable Ms Dunnet continued to run all the extra curricular and interschool sporting activities for the school. And we better not forget Mr Famlonga!

### UPPERSCHOOL -

2008 saw the introduction of a new course of study in year 11 and 12 PE Studies, which meant more classes and more achievements

- 31 Year 12 students sat the new PE Studies TEE exam for the first time.
- 10 Year 12 students started their Certificate 11 in Community Sport and Recreation. All of these students successfully completed the 8 units towards this certificate. One student completed the entire certificate.
- Yr 11 and 12 PE Recreation classes continued lawn bowling, tennis and indoor beach volleyball in terms 3 and 4 along with Beach volleyball at Koombanna Bay in term 2.

### LOWERSCHOOL -

Yr 8 – 10 classes continued with their enthusiasm in the variety of activities offered in their general PE classes but also had the options of Outdoor Education, Cricket, Netball and PE Extension classes with coaching in the primary schools and outdoor Ed camps.

**Congratulations to the following 2008 PE AWARD winners...**

<b>Junior sportswoman</b>	Toni Lander
<b>Senior sportswoman</b>	Alex Hagan
<b>Junior sportsman</b>	James Griffiths
<b>Senior sportsman</b>	Nicholas Godsell
<b>Year 8</b>	Naomi Dixon Braigon Buck
<b>Year 9</b>	Rachel O'Donoghue Daniel Chegwidden
<b>Year 10</b>	Lara Kelly Jack James
<b>Yr 9/10 Electives</b>	<b>Yr 9</b>
<b>Outdoor Ed</b>	Craig Talbot Christopher Forknall
<b>PE Extension</b>	NA Luke Monks
<b>Yr 11 PE Studies 1AB</b>	Jayden Prosser
<b>Yr 11 PE Studies 2AB</b>	Emma Dale
<b>Yr 12 PE Studies 1CD</b>	Luke Darlow
<b>Yr 12 PE Studies 2AB</b>	Jazze McNeil



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# Science

The Science Learning Area has experienced many changes this year, with several staff changes, new activities, and the purchase of software and other equipment. As always we have continued to develop the Lower School Courses with a focus on skill development incorporating the Investigating Outcome into all topics studied, and challenging students to "Communicate Scientifically" in order to develop their scientific literacy skills. Students are constantly exposed to Science in "real life situations" 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 more new SmartBoards into S4 and S6 has further enhanced our ability to achieve this goal, as well as providing an interesting way of presenting material to students. Chemistry and Biology software purchased at the beginning of the year has assisted and encouraged staff to make maximum use of these resources, as well as enabling students to have access to it through the student network for study and research purchases. It is anticipated that Physics and Human Biology software will be purchased for use in 2009.

As in 2007, Health was integrated into the Science program as much as possible, and students were able to make links between concepts such as nutrition for their health and well being, and what nutrients actually are and what they do. The Year 10's study of road science was crucial to their acceptance and understanding of road rules and the prevention of collisions.

There were many activities and events undertaken by the students and staff during the year. The Year 8s and 9s were treated to a Science Incursion presented by the team from Questacon. There were many stimulating demonstrations presented to students, as well as information about potential careers and the need for scientists in Australia, with the purpose of encouraging students to pursue a future in Science studies at a higher level.

Another opportunity for an appreciation of the importance of Science within local industry was given to the Year 8 students when they visited Scitech's Science Awareness Festival Expo 2008 at the South West Sports Centre. They were spoken to by local industry scientists and students of science, as well as participating in hands-on interactive exhibitions put in place by government agencies such as the Departments of Agriculture and Main Roads, tertiary institutions from Perth and the South West, and local businesses. Many students were rewarded with prizes for participating, and took away interesting facts and information.

National Science Week was held nationally from 18th to 22nd August, and Bunbury Catholic College celebrated with many activities, competitions and edible rocks! The theme for this year was "Planet Earth – Planet of Change". The students enjoyed many displays, activities and quizzes held throughout the week in each of the Science laboratories and the library. These included: being a metallurgist for a day, learning about weather and climate change, career choices in Science with a focus



on Earth Sciences, ecosystems and the importance of conservation, making and viewing fossils, and learning about the rock cycle and eating "rocks" and "lava". The staff were treated to morning tea with "sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks and ore bodies" and a Science quiz!

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 the Leschaunlt Peninsula in order to enhance their understanding of these concepts within their course. The Year 10 Course 3 students built a model of three ecosystems that the Year 12 Biology students then were able to analyse, making comparisons between the features, problems and conservation requirements of each one. This proved to be a very worthwhile alliance, with both groups of students learning about ecology in an interactive manner. Year 11 and 12 Biology students visited the Perth Zoo early in the year to study animal adaptations, and habitats and ecosystems. Later in the year, the Year 11 Human Biology students visited the Perth Zoo to study the primates there in order to gain an understanding about our closest relatives in terms of their anatomy and behaviour.

In September, Samantha Greene from UWA visited our Year 11 Chemistry and Biology students to discuss applications of, and careers involving, Chemistry. This program gives students an opportunity to obtain a scholarship allowing them to work in laboratories and industry over the Summer break. Several Year 9 students applied for the Siemen's Summer School that also encourages the pursuit of Science through exposing like-minded students to research that occurs in Universities with lectures and interactive workshops in a university setting. 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 once again attended a great day out at Adventure World, organised by the Science Teacher's Association, 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.

The Year 11 and 12 Senior Science classes were involved in scientific investigations in real life contexts. Year 11s were 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. Miss Tapper's Year 12 class decided to put staff fitness levels to the test, taking on the role of "personal trainer" to get the data required for their project. They also were given the task of inventing a piece of sporting equipment for young people with particular disabilities.

In November, the Year 9 Course 1 students will participate in the second 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 is 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. This is another important opportunity for students to get involved in "real" science.

We welcomed many staff to the department this year at various times, as well as saying farewell to staff going on leave. Mrs Renae Pere left us during Term 2 to have a baby, and she was replaced by Mrs Kerry Langley who earned the respect of the students during the short time she was with us. Mrs Nadir Kovacs started in Term 3, bringing with her experience in Geology and the mining industry that we will utilise when we offer the new WACE course, Earth and Environmental Science. We also managed to acquire Mrs Tina Zuideveld who also brought with her a wealth of experience in many aspects and disciplines of Science. I have also appreciated the efforts of new Physical Education staff, Clee Avard and Alexa Wood, who took on two lower school classes each, with great success, as well as Maths staff Brad Dunn and Chris Barrenger who took on Year 10 Science and Year 12 Physics respectively.

The new WACE courses have offered us a great challenge involving a lot of work during the year to be ready for 2009, with some major changes taking place in terms of the number and type of courses offered and the changes to the syllabus. This work will continue over the next few years involving a lot of extra time and professional development, something that the staff are ready to take on so that the students at Bunbury Catholic College get the best opportunities of pursuing successful studies and careers in the future. I would thus like to thank all of the Science staff, including our extremely hard working and ever patient Laboratory Technicians, for their effort and hard work this year in all aspects of work in the Science Learning Area.

**Mrs Annabel Kanakis –  
Head of Learning Area - Science**



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# Society and Environment

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## The Waterfront Debate

As part of their Society and Environment studies, Year 9 students tackled one of the main points of discussion in Bunbury at the moment; the proposed waterfront development.

The students' major assignment was to research the proposals and the people/companies involved in the project. One of the students, James Nicholson, found law and government one of the most interesting topics covered so far. "This subject gave us a chance to participate in the Bunbury Waterfront debate.

Part of our research involved looking at newspaper articles relating to the matter. We then had to survey different people to gain their opinions and learn about the opinions and concerns of the community. Finally we had to come up with our own plan for the development

and provide recommendations through the official council submission form." Over 80 submissions have been passed to the City of Bunbury for consideration.

"Through this assignment we have been able to actively contribute to the community and be a part of today's government decision making process; a great way to show just how we can be involved in such an interesting topic."

BCC teacher, Mr Kieran Noonan, says there are a number of benefits in studying a real life issue such as the Bunbury waterfront development. "It's more interesting for the students because they are learning about the world around them and not a hypothetical scenario. They have been able to deal with the broader community and really be involved in the debate about the waterfront."



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To undervalue the importance of the subject Society and Environment with its four core areas of Economics, Politics, Geography and History is an attitude fraught with danger. Once the student leaves school they will seek employment and get paid, they will need to make financial decisions in order to survive, and the study of Economics provides this knowledge. Here in Australian society we have laws which are required for a functional society; furthermore it is compulsory to vote and have an understanding of the political parties so the study of Politics enables the students to make these decisions after school.

Reading a map to get from point A to B, gaining an understanding of Global Warming or the effect of people on the environment are just some skills and topics covered in Geography. Finally History gives the students a chance to understand our culture, the stories, songs, beliefs, values and attitudes which make us Australian, examine where we have come from and how we interact with the rest of the global community.

Society and Environment can set the student up for life once they leave the College.

In Year Eight we examined Plate Tectonics which the students developed into an Adventure Island project. The realism and effort put into their work was outstanding, with some of the work quite rightly put into the Students in the Spotlight Exhibition. At the end of Semester Two the Year Eights finished with the traditional Medieval Day which provides the children with a wonderful educational experience. The highlight as always was the huge feast at the end of the day.

At the beginning of the year, the Year 9's had excursions to the Court House; however one class missed because the defendant pleaded guilty, so John Castrilli MP came and spoke in relation to the Law and Government Topic. Another class made submissions to the proposed Bunbury Foreshore development. These students learnt a valuable lesson in the mechanism of Local Government and its decision making process. Additionally for the history topic in examining Australian Identity the students had fun learning to play two-up and built a set of Ned Kelly's armour out of cardboard. Although the cardboard armour suit only looked a bit like the real thing, if you squinted, the students had a lot of fun researching and trying to make it look like the real thing.

In Year Ten some students had the opportunity to participate in the first Regional Student State Parliament held in Bunbury. The ten students conducted themselves to a very high standard and were commended by the State Parliament Educational Team. Throughout the year the Tens conducted various Geography excursions around the Bunbury Urban area and Wellington Mills.

TEE efforts of the Senior Students in 2007 were excellent, with the overall total student marks in Economics and Geography both being in the top ten schools in the state. This is something the teachers and students should be commended for. It is heartening to see students

continuing to choose subjects in Senior School that will provide real benefit to life and their studies after school. Hopefully the graduating Year Twelves will maintain the same high standards and this gives the current Year Elevens a goal to achieve.

**Mr David Norrish**

**Acting HOLA Society and Environment**



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## BCC Guitar Making 2008

Not only did the guitar making course in 2008 see the biggest group of genuine 'budding luthiers' participate but it also saw a change in the basic philosophy of the venture. For the first time, the style of guitar design adopted was essentially the same for all students and this year was the first time a number of teachers were involved as 'students'.

In previous guitar making courses students generally all wanted to construct a range of varied electric guitars and, whilst this was admirable it did make success a lot harder to achieve and it meant there were a number of incomplete projects. The students in this year's course had a choice of two body shapes and the remainder of the specifications were nearly identical. This enabled us to order all the components from the USA at once and to benefit from purchasing multiple items. Unfortunately this attracted the attention of Customs and Excise and we were 'slugged' with \$500 import duty. Next year we will be a little more diligent in our purchasing behaviours.

The timbers used for the 2008 'vintage' guitar are all Australian. The bodies and necks were constructed from Australian or Victorian Ash and we were fortunate to access some beautiful quarter sawn planks. The fretboards were constructed from local recycled Jarrah and the contrast between the two timbers was outstanding. All the hardware was imported from the USA and was of a very high quality.

At the time this article was written the students are finishing their necks and are about to fit the frets. When this is done we will be getting close to preparing for finishing. 2008 has been the most successful course to date and I am sure we will build on this success in 2009.

**Mr Rod Slater**

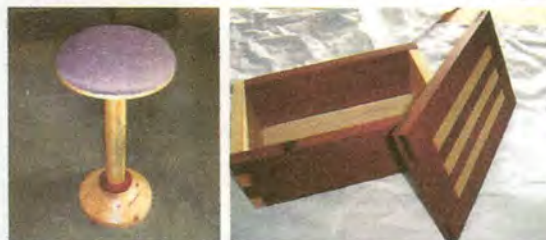
## Upper School Wood Design Courses

2008 is the last year Furniture Design and Technology will run as a course and is the first year Material Design and Technology was offered. The Year 12 class participating in the furniture course designed and constructed a fine and diverse range of artefacts. There were a number of different 'stools' and 'blanket boxes' created for their first construction task and for the Personal Project task students produced a varied set of projects.

The Year 11 group that tackled the first WACE Material Design and Technology course were very focused on the tasks at hand. The Semester 1 course centred on 'production fundamentals' and in it students explored the differences between softwoods and hardwoods and manufacturing using 'box construction'. The Second Semester course explored aspects of 'design fundamentals' and students learnt about timber defects, and how to minimise their affects. They also learnt about manufacturing using 'frame construction'. The artefacts created in both these 'maiden' courses were both impressive and of a very high standard. All students are to be congratulated for their application and creativity.

**Mr Rod Slater**

*Head of Technology and Enterprise*



### Information Technology Report for 2008

A great year for information technology! New courses have started in Years 11 and 12 called Applied Information Technology. Mr Steele and Mrs Bovell have been involved with these courses this year and their students have completed some very interesting projects. Students have also been involved in great work in Technical Graphics and Computer Graphics with Mr Hogan. Much work has been done using the latest computer aided drafting software we use, called AutoCAD. Engineering drawings of many different types have been really well done, especially in Years 11 and 12.

Many students have also worked with 3D graphics, using the ProDESKTOP programme. Students with a keenness for architectural drawings will have worked with the Revit software, in which buildings are drawn in 3D form. These buildings are fully furnished and are completed with landscaping and fencing. We have many opportunities for students with an interest in engineering or architecture.

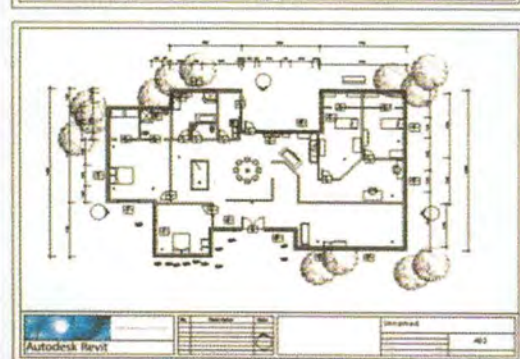
ICT classes have also been busy this year! The photos show some of the activities being undertaken in the 'T Labs'. Activities have enabled students to sharpen their skills in a number of software programmes, such as Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Macromedia Flash, Dreamweaver and Corel Draw.

Students have noticed a number of classrooms have an interactive whiteboard present, which allows for more interesting learning activities to become part of the day's lessons. These electronic whiteboards can be connected to the internet, whereby a large range of really interesting activities are brought right into the classroom. Many of our teachers are becoming familiar with this technology and are keen to use this in their everyday lessons.

The IT Support Team welcomes Mr Chandler to the college. He joined us after his predecessor, Mr Fitzgerald, moved on to another job placement. We wish Mr Fitzgerald success in his new work. Mr Chandler has managed to become familiar with all parts of the College in the short time he has been with us. Mr Coombes has also been a team member this year, as he completed his traineeship in I.T. Support. He will be with us again next year, as he takes up a full time position for 2009.

Next year will be another one filled with special needs which the IT Support Team will be happy to take on. More computers may become available for student use and this will make life very busy for the support team!

**Mr Peter Hogan**  
Head of Information Technology



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## Business Studies - Year Ten Business Money Management

"The most enjoyable thing in Business Money Management this year was creating our own small business. In groups, we had to financially prepare and manage our own partnership. This was a worthwhile experience because it taught us how to carry out a real business practice.

The year's course was a fun, educational choice and I oblige any student wishing to study future business courses to consider choosing Business Money Management as an elective because it will be useful in the long run."

Katherine Dilley 10M

"Business Money Management was a good experience. I enjoyed learning about the different aspects of running a business and gaining knowledge on managing personal money."

Michelle Francki 10H

"Business Money Management has been an elective that I have enjoyed because of the great class and the greater understanding of business and money management I have received over the year.

The most exciting task we were given was the opportunity to create our own small business and sell our products to the school. The opportunity to receive a Certificate I in Business was a great reward when completing this course."

Casey Harris 10M

"At the beginning of the year I did not think I would enjoy a business studies class however I was wrong. I have learnt a lot from this elective and also received a Certificate I in Business which is a benefit when doing Business Money Management.

The small class was great and we all became closer friends."

Gemma Bickler 10T

"Business Money Management was a great experience and elective for Year 10. We learnt how to keep a personal budget, write cheques and run a small business while having heaps of fun.

I encourage students to choose Business Money Management as it is a very worthwhile course."

Elizabeth Plajzer 10W

Business Money Management was such a great elective. We learnt so much about how to run a business and manage money well.

We are planning our stall called 'Perfect Popcorn' and we hope it will be a big success. Money Management is full of a great group of girls and this experience will definitely help us in years to come.

Courtnee Farr 10T, Breanne Sposato 10S, Robyn Heslop 10S



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## Home Economics

As 2008 comes to a close, once again we reflect on a very busy and productive year in the Home Economics Department. In our Year 8 Taster Course, students have had insight into basic nutrition and simple food preparation techniques, resulting in students designing and producing individual "Stuffed Spud" creations. In Textiles, after students mastered the use of the sewing machine and attained their 'Licence', they then created their own unique apron for themselves or someone special.

The Year 9 students have focused on breakfasts, lunches and dinners for the family, and planned and prepared a variety of these. Then specifically, the use of edible wraps were investigated and many different types of

wrap recipes were prepared by the students. Pies of various types were then researched, prepared and compared to their commercial counterparts. Some Year 9 students also worked in the textiles area, to produce some individual cushions and Christmas Craft Gift Bags.

Year 10s analysed, prepared and tasted the many courses of the Formal Dinner Menu, used when socializing with others. Food for gift giving was also investigated and students then produced their own unique gift hampers for a lucky recipient. In the Caring for Children elective, students studied different types of families, pregnancy and baby and toddler developmental stages. Some of our special guests to class included toddlers and a small baby who was bathed in front of the class. As play is an essential component of Child Development, students learnt about this when they designed their own hand puppet; a character in their children's story book.

In Upper School Food Production, classes have catered for various functions and guests. The Year 11s served a delicious buffet lunch for a few lucky staff members. The Year 12s transformed the classroom into a restaurant venue and served a three course Mexican Christmas in July menu to about 30 invited guests. The final function this class was responsible for, was the Music in Society's Australian Night. Students donned their jeans, flannel shirts and boots, and served a delicious Australian supper to the guests and performers.

In 2008, the Home Economics Department has also been responsible for the planning, preparation and coordination of the Year 8 Mother's Day Morning Tea and the Father's Day Breakfast. Most recently the Year 12 Graduation supper was also catered for.

*Ms Lucy Lennard*

## Early Childhood Studies

Students in Year 12 Early Childhood Studies had the opportunity as part of their studies to visit and interact with children from St Josephs Kindergarten and Pre Primary classes throughout the year.

As well as interacting with young children, assisting teachers to run and supervise activities, the students were required to develop a board game and then implement the game with young children. Students gained valuable experience during the visits and a great time was had by all staff and students.

*Mrs MaryAnne Ashby*  
*Early Childhood Studies Teacher*



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## South West VET Awards

This year saw for the first time the College take part in the South West VET Awards and presentation evening held at the Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre. The event is sponsored and organised by South West VET Link Inc along with assistance from the Australian Government. After hearing from the two notable guest speakers in Dale McMullen, 2007 World Work Skills Gold Medallist and Bevan George 2008 Olympian with the Kookaburras Hockey Team it was onto the presentations and awards.

**Nominees:** Matthew Jauncey  
Michael Logiudice  
Morgan Harris  
Sarah Carbone  
Melissa Panetta  
Mitchell Leyendekkers  
Jarrad Mort

**Finalists:** Jade Clarke



**Winner of the Endeavour award for 2008:  
Marc Mendoza**



**Winner of the Structured Workplace Learning  
award for 2008: Courtney Downes**

Congratulations to all the nominees, finalists and winners-you all did your school, family and yourselves proud!

Well Done!

## Structured Workplace Learning (SWL)

Year Eleven and Twelve students were given opportunities via the SWL program to experience working in a chosen industry where they would acquire and become competent in a range of generic and/or specific industry skills that they can transfer into everyday possibilities.

Students were exposed to many industries including hairdressing, electrical, dental, metals, childcare, media, schools, mechanics, vets, building and construction and more.

Businesses in Bunbury and surrounding areas have all been very accommodating in embracing and instructing our students, some for one day per week and others for block placements. The College, parents and student appreciate all the work that these businesses create by expanding our students' visions, expectations and dreams and consolidating their skills and lifelong ambitions.

"My time spent at Lloyds Family Dental Centre has been very fulfilling in helping me decide my career path.

Everyone there was willing to help and give constructive pointers about working in the dental industry. My days spent there either consisted of watching and chair side assisting Carmel Lloyd and the dental nurse performing dental procedures, or helping Suzanne and Liz in the front office, filing, placing patient information onto the computer and assisting people.

I recommend to anyone deciding on a future career to do Structured Workplace Learning. It is definitely a good insight into what the job entails. All the people I worked with were extremely happy to help out."



**Aimee Seroka  
Working at Lloyd Family Dental Clinic**



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## ALCOA Work @ 9



In the time I was at Alcoa I learnt how to do lots of practical activities including soldering, bending sheet metal and drilling holes. I got lots of information about all the possible careers of work you can go into when working at Alcoa. While in the program we had many guest speakers who explained to us the work they do. Overall I found the program fun and learned lots at the same time.

By: Stephen Kelly



I enjoyed the Alcoa Work @ 9 Program. I think the program was a great experience as it showed me what the other career paths and opportunities are out in the industry. I enjoyed listening to all the guest speakers and seeing what types of occupations are available within Alcoa. I also really enjoyed mixing with the other schools and I believe this should be done in the future with all the schools.

By: Rebecca Clarke

The Alcoa Work at 9 Program in Wagerup was really fun. We started on the 4th of September and finished on the 11th of September. There were six of us that were selected to go and experience what life was like at Alcoa. We had three teachers all together: Mr. Grieves and two other people from Alcoa who were Mr. Ian Willis and Mr. Murray Daniels.

We would start our days off in a classroom doing some math theory work. Then we would have our 'smoko', then a guest speaker would come and talk to us about their role at Alcoa, then we would have more maths work until lunch, and then after lunch we would go into their workshop and build things out of metal.

The first thing we had to do was to square off a piece of steel plate and drill some holes in. The second thing we had to make was a one litre watering can out of sheet metal which we needed to solder together instead of welding together which is something new to me because I didn't know how to solder before.

On the whole it was a very good experience for all of us and opened our eyes to see what other job careers are out there and I would recommend this to the next lot of Year Nines coming through because it is a really good experience.

By: Luke Ierace

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## School Based Traineeship



Taking up a school-based traineeship means I complete four days a week at school and one day a week away from school at the South West Sports Centre to complete my traineeship where I am working towards a Certificate II in Sport and Recreation. Taking a day out of my school week sometimes became quite demanding as juggling school work, traineeship assessments, a part time job and my other out-of-school commitments was a lot to take on. However I found this to be a great opportunity for me as I wasn't ready to leave school yet without having a clear direction as to which career pathway I was going to take. Choosing to take up a school-based traineeship gave me the chance to gain more knowledge and experience in the Sport and Recreation industry with the office work and the hands on teaching jobs.

Now having completed my traineeship I have gained experience in so many areas of the Sport and Recreation industry. Before starting my traineeship I was already working at the South West Sports Centre as a lifeguard but as I progressed further into my traineeship I was then working as a party leader, holiday program leader, crèche worker and have now just completed my Austswim course where I will start swim teaching. This traineeship has opened my eyes and I now have a clear pathway for my future and can't wait to get started. Staying at school and completing Year Twelve while doing a school-based traineeship was the best option for me as I have gained high enough grades to submit a portfolio entrance into university to further my studies next year, while also having all the qualifications and experience behind me which this traineeship has given me and I would not have been able to achieve if I chose to stay at school as a non-TEE student.

If you're in the same position I was, not doing TEE and not sure which career path to take I would recommend finding an industry that interests you and gaining a traineeship, because it will give you a good insight into what each job involves and you will gain experience and qualifications along the way which makes it even more worthwhile.

By Jade Clark

## Year 10 Work Experience

This year's Year 10 Work Experience was another great success for the students, parents and College. The last week of Term Two saw the opportunity for our students to taste "work" in their chosen industry and was very insightful for all involved. The week-long journey saw many students step up to meet new challenges from early morning starts to long days, occupational health and safety aspects of industry and trying for the first time new and different equipment and tools.

Students came away from this worthwhile experience with many different views, some cementing that their initial chosen career pathways seems to be the right track, some realising that they may want to go in another direction. All participants came away with a newfound understanding, and the utmost respect for their respective employers.



*Alana Hammond was a 'knock out' at Bunbury Veterinary Clinic*



*Julia Phillips left the familiar school environment and immersed herself in the world of politics with Bunbury MLA and past student of BCC (St Francis Xavier), Mr John Castrilli*



*Kyle Davis working hard as usual at Goldline Financial Planning*



*Marcus Hawley checking the Bytes at Masterlink Computers*



# Vocational Education and Training

## School Apprenticeship Link



A partnership with government and industry has seen the SAL program continue in 2008. This partnership between TAFE, the schools and industry is preparing suitable students to enter their chosen trade by assisting them in learning and obtaining competencies related to that trade. The trades operating within this program that our students have undertaken are hairdressing, building and construction, metals and engineering along with food and hospitality.

To enable the best opportunity for our students to succeed, the school adopted a class of Year Eleven students that continued their school studies at the College during Monday to Wednesday. On Thursdays, students would attend TAFE and complete their theory and practice so that on Fridays students would be placed with a business to expand and consolidate these skills. The SAL program also tried to have students placed in businesses that had real possible apprenticeship opportunities. Several of our SAL program students had early success and had secured apprenticeship prior to the end of the school year. Some of our students may continue with their Year Twelve studies and look forward to the Year 12 graduation process.



## Career Paths

Wanting to establish some connection with future career aspirations, TAFE approached schools with the new Career Paths program which enabled upper school students an opportunity to obtain training and partial to full certificate courses in selected industries.

In partnership with South West Regional College of TAFE, our College offered interested students the following Career Path Program options:

- *Certificate IV in Health Science Foundations*
- *Certificate IV in Residential Drafting*
- *Certificate III in Teacher Assistant*
- *Certificate II in Applied Fashion Design & Technology*
- *Certificate II in Retail Cosmetic Services*

The commitment students make to themselves, their parents and the College to stay up-to-date with subjects at school, attend TAFE one day per week with lectures and complete assessments in their chosen program is a credit to them. The programs vary in duration from 12 to 18 months and a number of students have then taken up full time studies at TAFE in order to move into the workplace.

**Maddelin Mighall**  
(*Certificate IV in Health Science Foundations*)

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### Kelderman Award winner

The Kelderman Award recognises the efforts of the Year 12 student who achieves the highest TEE score. It is presented by the Kelderman family; a family which has had a long association with Bunbury Catholic College. This year the Kelderman award winner is Kaitlin Dubrawski whose TEE was a sensational 99.55.

Congratulations Kaitlin!

### Science achievers

During the 2007/08 summer school holidays, Emily Eakin and Kaitlin Dubrawski attended Science gatherings that they had been selected for. Emily won the Science Scholarship-Primary Industry 2007-08 and attended the Industry Placement Camp at UWA for 5 days. Kaitlin was one of only 100 students across Australia invited to attend the National Youth Science Forum and spent two weeks in Canberra.

### AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION

**CREDIT:** Lachlan Waterhouse & Teleisha Hill (Year 9), Ryan Bailey & Candy Taylor (Year 11), Giorgia Grieves, Lisa Ip & Rhys Remeika (Year 12).

**DISTINCTIONS:** Ashley Fitzgerald & Todd Lauren (Year 11) Emily Eakin, Kate Gillingham, Owen Hingston, Pendwe Msapenda, Ashleigh Plaskett, Marcus Serravite & Alexander Whittcock (Year 12).

**HIGH DISTINCTIONS:** Tristan Depiazzi, Jake Elson & James Nicholson (Year 9) Sam Wilson (Year 11), Shauna Upton (Year 12).

### AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION 2008

Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2008 Australian Mathematics Competition. Excellent results were achieved with High Distinctions awarded to Cameron Ayre, Timothy Peskett, Min Luo and John Dewhurst. The Prudence Award goes to the student who answered the greatest number of consecutive questions correctly, and this year went to Benjamin Szabadics who answered 11 consecutive questions correctly. Another 19 students received Distinctions and 54 students received Credits. Well done to all participants.

#### YEAR 8

##### CREDIT

Alexis Aboagye  
Alison Andrade  
Luke Bark  
Anna Barningham  
Jessica Depiazzi  
Rebecca Dilley  
Lauren Eddy  
Rachelle Fox  
Ashley Gemmoni  
Mikayla Giudici  
Aasha Haines  
Ashley Henriksen  
Megan Heslop  
Samantha Hogan  
Liam Kinsella  
Mikayla Logue  
Stephen Mazza  
Samantha McLean  
Demi Mooney  
Luke Parker  
Thomas Paynter  
James Pitts  
Brae Price  
Jessica Ruland  
Reilly Stewart  
Kelsey Valli  
Oliver Venables  
Brendan Waters

##### DISTINCTION

Jaraisa Allen  
Braigon Buck  
Liam Davis  
William Garvey  
Louise Mayhew  
Matthew Parisella  
Dean Quaife  
Liam Reeves  
**HIGH DISTINCTION**  
Cameron Ayre

#### YEAR 9

##### CREDIT

Jack Bartholomew  
James Beard  
Daniel Chegwiddden  
Lauren Dale  
Tristan Depiazzi  
Evan Fowler  
James Griffith  
Caris Panizza  
Emma Townsend  
Shaun Wong

##### DISTINCTION

Noel Hinton  
Jye Horan  
James Nicholson  
Marshall Roberts  
Benjamin Szabadics

##### HIGH DISTINCTION

Timothy Peskett

##### PRUDENCE AWARD

Benjamin Szabadics

#### YEAR 10

##### CREDIT

Robyn Heslop  
Johanna Lee  
Emma Vincent

#### YEAR 11

##### CREDIT

Andrew Brandis  
James Doyle  
Alexander Dubrawski  
Jake Lombardo  
Nicola Stevenson

##### DISTINCTION

Joshua Dubrawski  
Carly Maughan

##### HIGH DISTINCTION

Min Heng Luo

#### YEAR 12

##### CREDIT

Michael Arnold  
Kaitlin Dubrawski  
Alexander Gadd  
Lisa Ip  
Hai Le  
Blair Maughan  
Anthony Morabito  
Yohanes Tadesse

##### DISTINCTION

Hayden Cross  
Mark Mason  
Daniel Nixon  
Elliot Roberts

##### HIGH DISTINCTION

John Dewhurst



## Australian Defence Force Academy Education Award

Owen Hingston, Year 12, received the Australian Defence Force Academy Education Award. This was awarded to him for his leadership qualities, academic and sporting achievements. Owen was presented with a laptop computer by members of the Defence Force. He was one of only 10 students in WA to receive this award and is one of 120 nationally.

## Aid Abroad

Jacob and Dylan Crispin joined a group of people who traveled to Cambodia to assist in building houses for villagers.

## Rostrum

Four students from BCC, Bronwyn Ayre, Sophie Smith Patrick Bendall and Nicola Stevenson participated in a heat of the Rostrum Voice of Youth Speaking Competition. All four prepared and presented excellent speeches with Sophie, Bronwyn and Patrick progressing to the Junior division semi-finals in Perth.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Courtney Gledhill who won the '2008 Dancer of the Festival' in the Mandurah Festival of Dance in which over 1200 students participated.



Five BCC students were commended for excellence in piano music at the Annual Australian Music Examination Board Awards held at UWA. The students, taught by Mr Ian Mills, all received High Distinction Awards. Brodie Stewart received an award for Third Grade written music and sixth grade practical music in piano. Year 12 student, Melissa Foss also received an award for Third Grade written music. Year 8 students Shanice Palfrey, Stephen Mazza and Louise Macnish were also recognised for excellence in piano in Preliminary and Second Grade respectively.

## WA PERFORMING ARTS EISTEDDFOD Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre 2008

Congratulations to all students who participated in the WA Performing Arts Eisteddfod, held in Bunbury. We had many successful students:

- Breanne Ashby – Strings 1 x First, 1 x Second, 1 x Third
- Louis Asser – Piano
- Emily Bailey – Vocals 2 x First
- Anna Barningham – Dance
- Aimee Befumo – Dance 1 x Highly Commended
- Candi Combes – Dance 1 x First, 1 x Second, 3 x Third and Troupes;

**TEE Drama Joint Winner - Gala Concert**

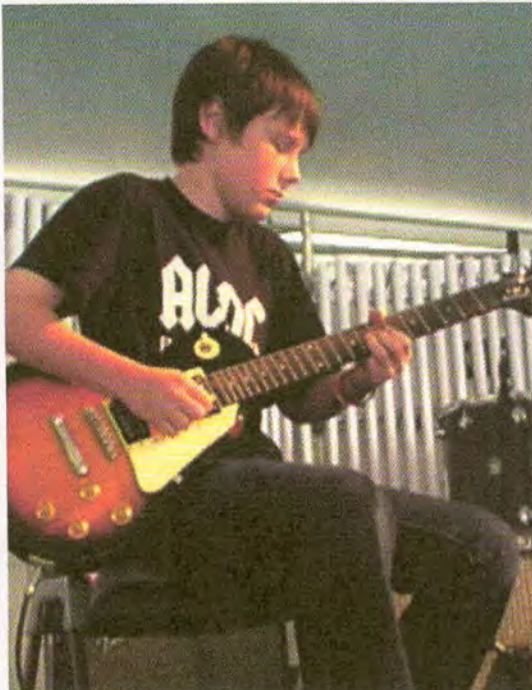




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- Emma Culph - Dance 1 x First, 1 x Second, 2 x Third
- Hannah Dalton - Dance
- Kiara Damiani - Dance 13 x First
- Isabella Devine - Vocals 1 x Third
- Leticia Donovan - Dance 3 x First
- Courtney Downes - Vocals 3 x First, 2 x Second, 2 x Third, 1 x Highly Commended; Band 1 x First, **Bursary Winner - Gala Concert**
- Ben Durrell - Drama  
**TEE Drama Joint Winner - Gala Concert**
- Lauren Eddy - Piano; Dance 1 x Second, 1 x Third
- Hannah Farrier - Vocals 1 x Highly Commended
- Kendall Ferraro - Piano 1 x First
- Tara Fitzgerald - Choir 1 x First
- Pheobe Gadd - Dance
- Anthony Galati - Piano 1 x First, 1 x Second; Vocals 2 x First, 2 x Highly Commended; **Bursary Winner - Gala Concert**
- Tess Giancono - Dance 1 x Second, 1 x Highly Commended
- Olivia Gianfrancesco - Dance
- Jane Gibson - Dance 8 x First, 1 x Second
- Mikayla Giudici - Piano 1 x Highly Commended
- Courtney Gledhill - Dance 19 x First, 5 x Second; Vocals 1 x Second, 1 x Third, 2 x Highly Commended  
**Highly Commended Intermediate Dance Aggregate Award - Gala Concert**
- Kate Green - Dance 1 x Highly Commended
- Jessica Hillas - Dance 1 x First, 2 x Third
- Damian Hinton - 1 x First
- Rose Kerr - Piano
- Emillie Kinkella - Dance 1 x Third
- Toni Lander - Piano 1 x Third, Digital Piano
- Johanna Lee - Strings 3 x First, **Encouragement Award - Gala Concert**
- Georgia Leyendekkers - Vocals 1 x Highly Commended
- Emily Lloyd - Piano 1 x First, 1 x Second; Vocals 1 x First
- Mariah Maughan - Piano
- Louise Macnish - Piano 1 x First, 2 x Second, 1 x Third, 1 x Highly Commended; Vocals 3 x First, 1 x Third
- Stephen Mazza - Piano 1 x Second, Vocal 3 x First, 1 x Second, 2 x Third, Choir 1 x First
- Katherine Navarro - Dance 1 x Third
- Sophie Newman - Dance 7 x First, 1 x Second, 1 x Highly Commended
- Olivia Nolan - Dance 8 x First, 1 x Third; Vocals 1 x Third
- Shanice Palfrey - Vocals 1 x First
- Thomas Paynter - Piano 1 x Second
- Caitlin Peos - Dance 5 x First
- Abbie Reilly - Vocals 1 x Second; Strings, 2 x First, 1 x Second
- Brittaney Rodrigues - Dance 8 x First, 1 x Second, 1 x Third
- Sharne Rodrigues - Dance 14 x First, 1 x Third

- Shanelle Schramm – Keyboard 2 x First, **Intermediate Keyboard Aggregate Award – Gala Concert**
- Hannah Smith – Dance 1 x Highly Commended
- Brodie Stewart – Piano 3 x First, 1 x Third; Drums/ Percussion 1 x First; Vocals 1 x First, 1 x Highly Commended; Band 2 x First **Best Band Of The Night Award – Gala Concert**
- Reilly Stewart – Drums/Percussion 3 x First, 1 x Second; Band 1 x First; **Intermediate Percussion Aggregate and Bursary Winner – Gala Concert**
- Tahlia Strother – Dance 1 x Highly Commended
- Kelsey Valli – Dance
- Band 'Insert Here' (Jarrad Gardiner, Harley Loffler, Christopher Lovitt) – Band 1 x Second, 1 x Highly Commended
- Band 'Know Idea' (Elliot Frost, Evan Dilley, Ryan Rowlandson, Daniel Temple, Justin Stefanovich) – Band 1 x Third
- Year 12 TEE Drama  
Taylor Buoro-Long, Candis Combes, Ben Durrell, Sarah Forrest, Adam Hartnup, Owen Hingston, Sarah Horton, Emily Laurino, Emily Lloyd, Hayley Palumbo, Rhys Remeika, Shauna Upton

## ILUKA VISIONS EXHIBITION 2008

Iluka Visions has become a significant event on the South West Arts Calendar. Meaghan Castelli was a winner of the Lower School Award. This year, congratulations must be extended to the following students whose artwork was selected for the exhibition held at the Bunbury Regional Art Galleries:

### Year 8 Students:

Jaraisa Allen, Lauren Eddy and Braden Fimmano

### Year 9 Students:

Antonia Keen, Thomas Jackson and Megan Pedulla

### Year 10 Students:

Chelsea Busher, Francien Boom and Meghan Castelli

### Year 11 Students:

Clare Martella and Bree-Anna Dorant

### Year 12 Students:

Renee Fish and Sarah Jackson (In 2007)

In total there were fifteen artworks representing Bunbury Catholic College.

Carly Maughan received an 'Oz Kidz in Print' Award and had her work published in the June edition of 'Oz Kidz in Print.'

Elliott Frost won the ABC Radio 'Blues at Bridgetown' competition which recognizes the best young Blues guitarist in the South West. Elliott then had the chance to have a jam session with Blues guitar legend Lloyd Spiegall at the 'Blues at Bridgetown.'

Rebekah Donald was selected as the District Ambassador for the Youth Minister's 2008 Positive Image Award.

Ten BCC students were nominated for the South West VET Awards. Congratulations to Courtney Downes on receiving the Structured Workplace Learning Award, Marc Mendoza on receiving the Endeavour Award and Jade Clarke for being a School Based Traineeship Finalist.

Ms Tappers Year 9 Science class competed in the State Final of the Science and Engineering Challenge. The class was competing against seven other state and private schools. Each finalist had previously won in their own pool of eight. The BCC students came third (which equates to third against 63 teams). A great performance!

Marco Satti, Bronwyn Ayre, Chyna Williamson, and Kathryn Dilley have been selected to attend The WA Science & Engineering Summer School in January 2009. They will be joined by Nicola Stevenson from Year 11 who has also been offered a place in the Summer School and has been offered the University Women's Scholarship to attend!

Jesse McDonald and Joshua Barton, from Year 11, will receive the Science Scholarship – Primary Industry 2008-2009, having applied after attending a talk during a Chemistry lesson by Samantha Greene, who is a Project Officer for the Primary Industry Project in the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Western Australia. The boys will attend a Science Camp – "The UWA Experience" for a week in December, followed by some work experience with scientists in the industry.

Sophie Smith was one of 50 students across Australia, selected to attend the "Taking the Lead - Young Women's Forum". Sophie will travel to Sydney in January to attend the five-day Forum.





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### Congratulations to:

**Alex Hagan, Tamsyn Roberts and Courtney Farr competed in the National Rowing Championships in Sydney in March.** Alex defended her title as the fastest schoolgirl sculler in Australia to win the Schoolgirls Single Scull event. She has won her second rowing boat in two years! Courtnee and Tamsyn rowed fantastically well in their first Nationals to achieve a gold medal in their U17 Coxed Quad.

Alex also became the number one U 19 rower in Australia and represented her country in the Junior World Championships in Austria in July. Alex returned from Austria, with outstanding success having competed against older competitors. Competing in the U/19 Single Sculls, Alex came second in her heat, then won the Repechage to move into the semi-finals in which she was placed second. Alex then progressed to the A Final. She is to be congratulated on placing fifth in the world out of six at this international level.

**Congratulations to the following students who competed in the Country State and Junior State Surf Life Saving Competition, held over two weekends in March at Scarborough Beach in Perth:**

**Nicholas Banasiak (Year 9)** - Took home silver in both beach flags and sprints for U14's Country States. At Junior States he received a silver in the beach relay, bronze in beach flags and a fourth in beach sprints.

**David McKay (Year 10)** - Received First Place in the Board Competition and Third Place in the State Ironman Competition for U15's. He also was a member of the Board Relay Team which received First Place in

the U17's State Competition.

**Nicholas Godsell (Year 11)** - Who was a member of the Board Relay Team which received First Place and Bronze in the Board Race in the U17's State Competition.

**Mitchell Martin & Arron Reeve (Year 12)** - Who were members of the Bunbury Surf Boat Team, received fourth place in the U19's State Competition.

**Brendan Phillipps won silver for high jump** at the State Athletics Championships. He then competed as part of the Australian Team in Singapore in the International Athletics Championship.

**Daniel Cole, Jessica Ruland and Brynn Wells swam for Australia** at Challenge Stadium in the Indian Ocean All Stars Challenge. This is an annual event and included swimmers from all over Australia and Asia. Daniel came home with a Gold medal and Jessica a First in her heat.

**Lachlan Fry achieved 3rd and 4th** respectively in the National Dairy and Beef Competition at the Sydney Show.

**Lauren Reynolds, Year 12, returned from the 2008 BMX World Championships in Beijing, China** having come second in the Junior Elite Women's Division and being the youngest competitor in this Division. This result gave Lauren the overall UCI World Ranking of Number One!

**Ryan Risdon and Rohan Martin, Year 12, were selected** in the South West Emerging Warriors Cricket Squad to tour England in July for one month.

**Bianca Donovan, Year 10, was selected** to the U16 Womens Country State Team for Basketball.

**Anton Fimmano and Stephanie Waycott, Year 11, were selected** in their respective division in the U18 WA Country Basketball Team and competed in Ballarat.

**Anthony Morabito, Year 12, was selected** for the Australian Under 17's National Football Team. They completed a two week tour of South Africa. Anthony also competed in Melbourne in the U18 WA Football Team.

**Kathleen Waycott, Year 11, and Casey Webb, Year 12 were selected** in the U17's WA Soccer Team which competed in Coffs Harbour. (Kathleen was also selected to represent WA in Country Basketball, however there was a clash of times with these competitions.)

**Netballer Shanelle Carn in Year 10 polled the most 'Best on Ground' votes** to win the 'All Star Award' for her division. Stephanie Italiano, Jazze McNeill and Ellie Hamilton also received votes during the season

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and were invited to play in the South West "All Stars Team".

**Julia Phillips** was selected in the WA Athletics team for the 2008 Pacific School Games.

**Alex Ayton (8D), Braigon Buck (8D), Shannon Dusci (8S) and Emily Eakin (12K)** represented WA in the National Taekwondo Championships held in Sydney. All four competitors were successful with Alex and Emily winning gold, Braigon was awarded silver and Shannon was awarded bronze in their respective divisions.

Further to this, **Luke Darlow**, competed in the taekwondo Commonwealth Cup in November representing WA and Australia in Canada. Luke won Gold in the Junior Poomse Division, making him the Junior Commonwealth Champion for 2008. Emily Eakin, competed in Turkey.

**Rory Binnie and Antony Russo** were selected for the WA Under 18 Catholic School Boys soccer team that traveled to Beijing.

**Bree Marsh** did well in Rally Cross Car Racing at the Bunbury Speedway. Bree races with the South West Touring Car Club and came second in the Juniors Division (Boys & Girls Combined) driving a 1.5 litre Ford Laser. Bree beat her personal best time by six seconds over a 1.2km track.

**Ryan Rowlandson and Jeremy Mason** competed in the State championships for Inline Speed Skating. Both boys entered the 42km marathon with Jeremy coming 2nd and Ryan 5th. The boys both gained personal bests for road skating with Jeremy doing extremely well on the indoor track gaining two gold medals and a silver. They have been selected to represent the state in the National Championships in Brisbane during January 2009.

**Luke Monks** traveled to England to attend a football (soccer) tournament. The tournament and training was organized by the Football West Academy and they visited Manchester United, Liverpool and Celtic grounds and played with Under 16 development squads.

**Lauren Lander and Toni Lander** competed in the State Schools Triathlon in Perth. Lauren finished third in her age group and Toni finished fourth.

**Stephanie Italiano** received her 1st Black Belt in Karate. She also received a Recognition of Nomination for South West Goju-Ryu Karate-Do Association. This award is for the outstanding application of the virtues and training of Goju Ryu Karate.

**Manasseh Gudgeon** played in the WA State Rugby Union U/16 Team that traveled to Queensland.





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## Subject Awards

### YEAR 8

Jaraisa Allen  
Cameron Ayre

Science  
Mathematics  
Society & Environment  
Science  
Physical Education  
English  
Mathematics  
Science

Alexandra Ayton  
Braigon Buck  
Jessica Deplazzi

Society & Environment  
Physical Education  
English  
English  
Mathematics  
Society & Environment

Naomi Dixon  
Stephen Mazza  
Luke Parker  
James Pitts  
Kelsey Valli

### YEAR 9

Patrick Bendall  
Daniel Chegwidden  
Dena English  
Kodee Guglielmana  
Michelle Lauren  
Georgia Leyendekkers  
Mark Manea  
James Nicholson

Society & Environment  
Physical Education  
Metal Design & Technology  
Home Economics  
Digital Graphics  
Drama  
Building & Construction  
Mathematics  
Science

Rachel O'Donoghue

Dance  
Physical Education

Megan Pedulla  
Daniel Pilatti  
Marshall Roberts  
Benjamin Szabadies  
Craig Talbot  
Emma Tournay

Art  
Music  
Wood Design & Technology  
English  
Outdoor Education  
Aero Modelling

### YEAR 10

Jessica Akl  
Katherine Brandis  
Chelsea Burns  
Elliot Chambers  
Courtnee Farr  
Christopher Forknall  
Courtney Gledhill  
Alana Hammond  
Casey Harris  
Jack James  
Lara Kelly  
Johanna Lee

Mathematics  
Art  
Drama  
Building and Construction  
Business Money Management  
Outdoor Education  
Dance  
Home Economics  
Vocational Education & Training  
Physical Education  
Physical Education  
English  
Music  
Science

Luke Monks  
Luke Russo

Society & Environment  
Physical Education Extension  
Digital Graphics  
Media Studies  
Wood Design & Technology  
Metal Design & Technology

Ethan Tyrrell  
Rhys Williams

### YEAR 11

Mark Blades  
Ryan Brennan  
Kaitlyn Burns  
Tristan Ceccato  
Adriana Chiera  
Emma Dale

History  
English 1A/1B  
Careers and Enterprise  
Economics  
Beliefs & Values  
English 2A/2B  
Physical Education Studies 2A/2B  
Building and Construction  
Art  
Beliefs & Values  
Media Production Analysis 1A/1B  
Introductory Calculus  
Physical Science  
Dance 1A/1B

Jarrad Damiani  
Bree-Anna Dorant  
Joshua Dubrawski  
Ju-dith Gildenhuyis  
Alesha Heath

Mathematics in Practice  
Vocational Education & Training  
Art & Design  
Applied Information Technology 1A/1B  
Foundations in Mathematics  
Technical Graphics  
Children Services Certificate II  
Food Production  
Music in Society  
Chemistry  
English Literature  
Geometry & Trigonometry

Jessica Hillas  
Matthew Jauncey

Jade Kaptein  
Holly Kremer

Todd Lauren  
Vanessa Liffers  
Jessica Maguire  
Rohan Martin  
Carly Maughan

Callum McPherson  
Courtney Newman  
Samuel Payet  
Jayden Prosser  
Shaun Reilly  
Oliver Richards  
Adam Rowlandson

Shanelle Schramm  
Candy Taylor

Stephanie Waycott  
Morgan Young

### YEAR 12

Lucy Aboagye  
Louise Banks  
Marleen Boom  
Sarah Carbone  
Jade Clarke  
Candis Combes  
Luke Darlow  
Madeline DePilatso

John Dewhurst  
Courtney Downes  
Kaitlin Dubrawski

Jason Dykstra

Emily Eakin-Busher  
Melissa Foss  
Alexander Gadd  
Giorgia Grieves

Sarah Horton  
Craig Lenard

Sian Mattaboni  
Jazze McNeill

Bree-Anne Milligan  
Shevaun O'Callaghan  
Shelby O'Dea  
Melissa Panetta  
Elliot Panizza  
Stephanie Pitcher  
Rhys Remeika  
Benjamin Rossiter  
Shauna Upton  
Madeleine Venables

Music  
Geography  
Human Biology  
Biology  
Drama 2A/2B

Work Studies  
English 3A/3B  
Physical Science  
English 1C/1D  
Vocational Education & Training  
Dance  
Physical Education Studies 1C/1D  
Business Information Technology  
Senior Science

Calculus  
Art & Design  
Applicable Mathematics  
Biology  
Chemistry  
English Literature  
Physics  
Applied Information Technology 3A/3B  
Modelling with Mathematics  
English 2A/2B

Music  
Human Biology  
Geography  
History  
Drama Studies  
Building & Construction  
Furniture Design & Technology  
Beliefs & Values  
Accounting  
Physical Education Studies 2A/2B  
Early Childhood Studies  
Music in Society  
Art  
Food Production  
Technical Graphics  
Discrete Mathematics  
Drama  
English 3A/3B  
Media Production Analysis 2A/2B  
Economics

Lyndon Goldsmith  
Damon Jones  
Louise Macnish  
Karl Schramm

## Christian Living Awards

### YEAR 8

Cameron Ayre  
Amy Howard  
Rose Kerr  
Louise Mayhew  
Angus Spice

Scott Cronshaw  
Gabrielle Ietto  
Jayde Leisfield  
Anthony Schirripa  
Rhiannon Williams

Lyndon Goldsmith  
Damon Jones  
Louise Macnish  
Karl Schramm

### YEAR 9

Robyn Anderson  
James Griffith  
Ellise Laventure  
James Nicholson  
Stephanie Parmar  
Tahlia Strother

Roselle Enriquez  
Jye Horan  
Mariah Maughan  
Joshua Noonan  
Taylor Prosser  
Benjamin Szabadies

Anthony Galati  
Thomas Jackson  
Nicholas Mosca  
Rachel O'Donoghue  
Emily Sharp  
Nicholas Wilson

### YEAR 10

Jessica Akl  
Jodie Groom  
Jason Howell  
Luke Monks  
Luke Russo  
Sophie Smith

Bronwyn Ayre  
Casey Harris  
Stefanie Italiano  
Dylan Resta  
Marco Satti

Katherine Brandis  
Caitlyn Higgins  
Jack James  
Shan Richardson  
Nathan Serravite

### YEAR 11

Gerard Atthowe  
Adriana Chiera  
Nicholas Godsell  
Todd Lauren  
Jeffrey Magpantay  
Steffi Michel

Katie Brennan  
Jake Dunning  
Elizabeth Gwilt  
Brigitte Macfarlane  
Bree Marsh  
Adam Rowlandson

Michael Busby  
Marcus Gadd  
Matthew Jauncey  
David Macfarlane  
Elle-Elizabeth Mayhew  
Nicola Stevenson

### YEAR 12

Daniel Arakelian  
Marleen Boom  
Jakeb Cumming  
Melissa Foss  
Hai Le  
Samantha Wells

Louise Banks  
Rohan Butcher  
John Dewhurst  
Lachlan Fry  
Catherine Stevens

Matthew Befumo  
Sarah Carbone  
Emily Eakin-Busher  
Owen Hingston  
Abigail Waller

## Sporting Awards

Junior Sportsman  
Junior Sportsman  
Senior Sportsman  
Senior Sportsman

Toni Lander  
James Griffith  
Alex Hagan  
Nicholas Godsell

**Mission Award - IIC** 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.

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

**Engineers Award - John Dewhurst, Ben Rossiter and Matt Leach**

**Worsley Engineering Scholarships - Blair Maughan**

**Positive Image Award - Rebekah Donald** 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 - Courtney Downes** This award recognises the student who has excelled in learning opportunities available outside the College Campus.

**Community Award - Melissa Foss, Lisa Ip, Patrick Smith, Craig Lenard, Mark Mason, Marleen Boom, Emily Lloyd, Sarah Carbone, Megan Smith, Ashleigh Plaskett Leadership Award - Natasha Carbone and Matt Befumo**

**ECU Academic Award - Ben Rossiter and ECU Citizenship Award - Nicola Stevenson** The recipients of these awards have demonstrated commitment to ECU's core values of Integrity, Respect, Rational Inquiry and Personal Excellence.

**Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Award - Stephanie Pitcher, Nicola Stevenson and Elliot Chambers**

**Sr Martha Bursary - Giuseppe Mustica and Hannah Wheeler** A staff funded bursary in memory of Sr Mary Martha, a Sister of Mercy, who was a founding staff member of 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 - Grant Voigt and Kaitlyn Burns** This bursary is awarded to a Year 11 student who has consistently demonstrated a conscientious effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.

**Excellence Awards - Madeleine Venables and Kaitlin Dubrawski** The recipients of this award have achieved at least ten 'A' Grades over the two years in Years Eleven and Twelve.

**Graduation Award - Craig Lenard** The recipient of this award has achieved excellence in the Year 12 school based subjects.

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

**Vincent Ryan : Principal's Award - Natasha Carbone** 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 Ms Denise O'Meara.

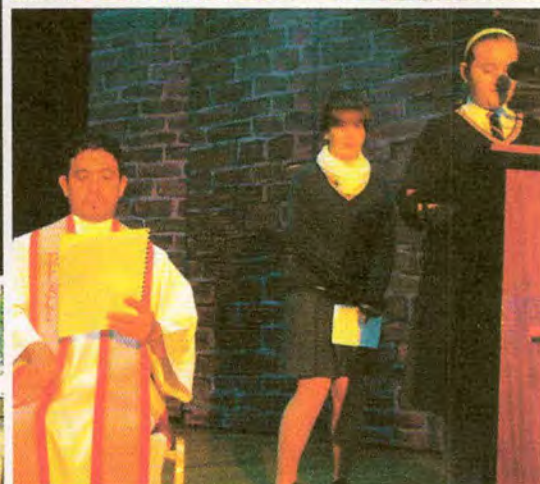


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# Grandparents Day

## Grandparents Day

A new initiative for Year 9, it was wonderful to have these very special elders whose love and wisdom helps to guide us, come into our School.



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Mother's Day

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World Youth Day

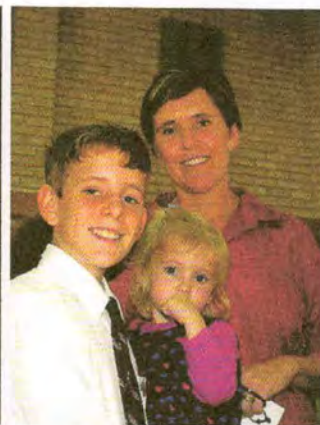
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# Mothers Day

## Year 8 Mothers Day

God, you are like a mother to us.  
We pray for the women in our lives  
who have been like a mother to  
us-grandmothers, stepmothers, aunts  
and family friends. Hear us O God.



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## Year 8 Fathers Day Breakfast

We celebrate and thank God for our fathers.



# Medieval Day



## Medieval Day was a great experience for all the Year 8s.

Medieval Day was a great experience for all the Year 8s. We all had fun trying on armour, sword fighting, shooting arrows at a live person, throwing wet sponges at people in the stocks, playing tug-of-war, croquet, three-legged races, sack races and eating whole lemons (skins and all)! We had a fashion parade commentated by Mr Maratea and Miss Crosby. Most of all we enjoyed the wonderful feast put on by the parents and teachers. It was great to see that so many students and staff dressed up for the event. Thank you to the people from Medieval Mayhem who came down from Perth to show us some armour, sword fighting and archery.

*Kellie Underdown, Tayla Meads, Alana Williams and Catherine Groom*



# World Youth Day



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## The WYD Mass was great!

I enjoyed it because it was a colorful, loud, exciting celebration and was not quite a Mass. It was though a celebration of our faith and it was very enjoyable. Definitely a once in lifetime experience.

**Alex Ayton**

The World Youth Day Mass is an experience I will never forget. The look on people's faces as they touched the cross! It was a look that showed so many things; hope, thanks, awe, sadness and mostly love. It was amazing that what was once a piece of wood could bring so many emotions

**Tayla Doyle**

The World Youth Day Mass was great! I really enjoyed it and since I was part of the choir I had the opportunity to see everyone's emotions and excitement when the cross was brought into the gym. The room was filled with happiness and joy and everyone had the chance to touch the cross which I thought was fantastic. In my opinion, this was an amazing, once in a lifetime experience that I'll never forget.

**Giulia Galati**



## Art Extraordinaire

Art Extraordinaire was once again a big hit with art lovers and had some great features in 2008. Opening night was a great event with local artist Sidney Giles- Duffy guest speaker and the ever popular art auction which proved to be an outstanding success yet again. With over 300 paintings on view this year, the show was one of the College's biggest yet.

Sidney Giles-Duffy is a favorite amongst Art Extraordinaire regulars. Sidney returned to the paintbrush and easel after a 25 year break in 2002 and since then has not looked back. With paintings such as 'Morning Muster,' Sidney started a series of paintings relating to the way of life of the cattle drover. According to Art Extraordinaire Coordinator, Elizabeth Harper, "the series, 'High Country', 'Outback', and 'Gone Bush' have captured glimpses of Australian life that many do not see. His artwork is very accessible, covering real life, from the High Country to the Outback, the Barrier Reef to the mysterious Min Min lights. We were delighted to have Sidney as our guest speaker this year and really enjoyed hearing more from the man who paints such interesting subjects."

Another highlight was a feature exhibition in memory of long-time Art Extraordinaire exhibitor, Dot Eldridge, who passed away last December. According to Elizabeth Harper, "the Art Extraordinaire Committee wanted to acknowledge the major contribution Dot made to our event over the many years she was involved. The exhibition was dedicated to Dot and featured a number of her paintings that had been donated to Art Extraordinaire by her husband, Ron. We also gathered a number of Dot's works that were on exhibition only, but reflected her talents over the years."





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### Cricket - Staff Vs Students

Cricket	-51	14	Students
Netball	22	22	Draw
Soccer	1	8	Students
Basketball	24	14	Staff
Volleyball Set 1	23	25	Draw
Set 2	8	4	
Football	<b>Students by 6 points</b>		



### Giant walk

BCC also participated in the Guinness world record attempt of the **Giant Walk** on the 1st September with a great number of participants adding to the National attempt.

### Kick Around Australia Day

As 2008 marked 150 years of Australian Football, a range of events were organised to help celebrate the sport that involves some 630,000 players nationally and an additional 40,000 players across 32 countries world-wide.

One of these major events was the 'Kick Around Australia Day' on Thursday August 7, a day in which all schools were encouraged to get involved and celebrate Australian Rules Football.

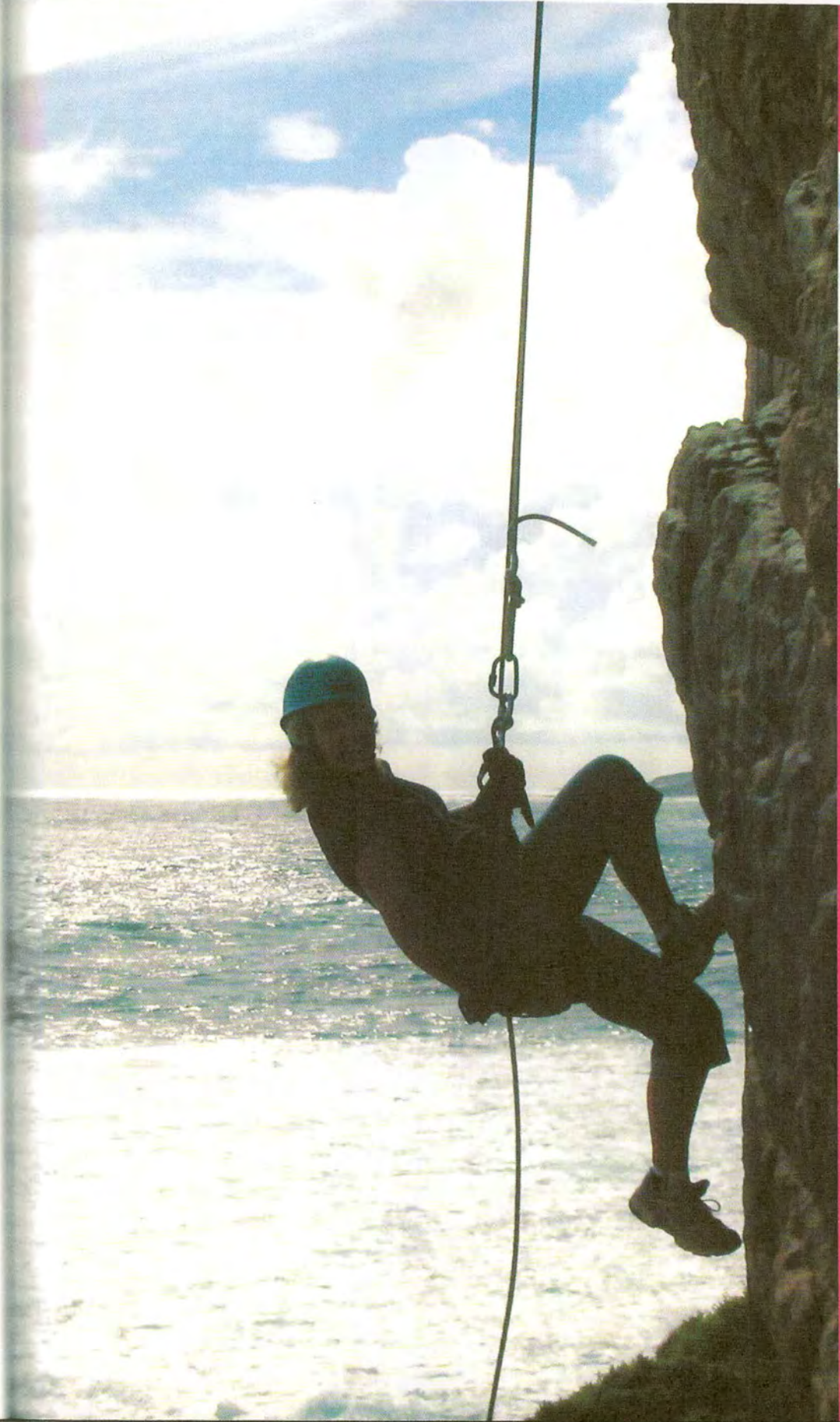
Bunbury Catholic College celebrated the anniversary with students participating in handball and longest kick competitions throughout week 3 of Term 3. As entertaining as these events were, they could not match the excitement and intrigue that surrounded the highly anticipated 5th instalment of the Staff v Student competition that was to be played out on Thursday the 7th.

The football displayed on Albert Oval was nothing short of breath-taking as the Staff battled gallantly against a Student side oozing with youth and talent. In the end the students came away with a win on the back of a very controversial decision that saw a goal awarded to the students after the siren had sounded.

Many thanks to the staff and students who volunteered their time to help celebrate 'Kick Around Australia Day', and full credit to the students for the manner in which they conducted themselves to ensure a fun and safe environment was maintained throughout the match.



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**ANZAC Day**

Bunbury Catholic College took time to honour the men and women of our service leagues by joining the City of Bunbury's ANZAC day march. We marched the streets of the city under the school banner, joining the returned service members, service cadets and other schools and made our way to the ANZAC Memorial site which heads Victoria Street.

The service reminded each of us of the sacrifice, bravery and all-round Aussie spirit which each of our men and women have dedicated themselves in fighting for our great country. We laid a wreath on behalf of the College as a token of our gratitude, pride and appreciation for each ANZAC and the thousands of other service men and women.

*Matthew Befumo and Natasha Carbone*

**Focus on Water**

After touring the Australind Water Treatment Plant with his Year 11 Physical Science class and learning how water is made suitable for drinking, Gerard Mazza was keen to sample their wares!

**KATANNING TREE PLANTING CAMP**

Year 8 and 9 students from BCC joined other students from Emmanuel Catholic College and Katanning Senior High School to plant out trees that we have grown in our nursery at BCC over the past two years.

The weather was perfect for planting and the ground well prepared. The end result was that in one day's work 34 students and 6 staff planted 13 500 trees. That was a pretty reasonable effort, and it takes our 'total planted' tally since 2004 beyond the 30 000 mark.

Well done, team!

**Members of the 'Thirteen 500 Club'**

Patrick Bendall

Zachary Church

Sarah Drummond

Michaela Ierace

James Nicholson

Joshua Noonan

Thomas Paynter

Brae Price

Cameron Smith

Angus Spice

Kellie Underdown

Oliver Venables

Lizzie Wickens

Nicholas Wilson

Ms Taryn Tapper

Mr Kieran Noonan

**Restoring the bush!**

The Wellington District Department of Environment and Conservation, in collaboration with Bunbury Catholic College and Mitsubishi 4WD Club have formed a partnership to restore the bush in the Leschenault Peninsula.

Staff from DEC and volunteers from the Mitsubishi 4WD club and the Catholic College Bushrangers held a working day in May to plant seedlings, spread mulch for erosion control, manage access tracks for vehicles and install new signage and fencing around newly planted out areas.

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## Nola Marino Meetings

Our local member of parliament, Nola Marino took a great deal of interest this year in discovering the issues that currently face our youth. As part of her study Nola held a series of seminars that focussed on how these current issues such as drug and alcohol abuse, mental illness, racism, road-safety and regulations, educational reforms and industrial actions, boredom, and sexual abuse could be resolved.

Our first seminar was held at her office in Eaton and we brainstormed the issues that we as the youth of the South West felt were relevant. This seminar was conducted with only 12 students present. A few weeks later, another seminar was held with over 100 students. At this seminar, we had the opportunity to converse with doctors, nurses and other respected members of the community about their own personal experiences involving teenage issues.

On the 1st of August we travelled to Bunbury Senior High School, to participate in a seminar that was based solely around the mental and emotional state of teenagers. All of the three seminars that we attended were extremely worthwhile and informative, giving us a great deal of insight into some issues that we didn't know faced the youth of the South West and others that hopefully will be acted on our behalf by Nola in parliament.

*Matthew Befumo and Natasha Carbone*

## Elizabeth Shaw Conference

This year the Bunbury community was privileged to play host to the United Nations Youth Ambassador (UNYA) Elizabeth Shaw. Elizabeth held a conference in the Bunbury Tower addressing the issues that the youth of Bunbury and surrounding districts face in today's society.

We spent a great deal of time discussing the new Bunbury waterfront, drug and alcohol abuse and the entertainment opportunities available to the youth of the South West region. Elizabeth is taking our ideas and concerns to the annual United Nations conference in New York, where these issues will be discussed in detail with leaders from all over the world.

*Matthew Befumo and Natasha Carbone*

## Work at 9

A number of our Year 9 students were chosen to attend the Alcoa Work @ 9 Program.

Well done to: Benjamin Arnold, Rebecca Clark, Jack Doust, Emma Faulkner, Luke Ieraci, Steven Kelly, Mariah Maughan and Katelyn Thomson.

## 'Step to the Future' Foundation Youth Forum

I was very fortunate to spend Tuesday 19 August with the Year 8 to 10 Student Leaders at the 'Step to the Future' Foundation Youth Forum. The students were, as always, a credit to themselves, their parents and the College.

They were entertained by a number of speakers including Sam, Barbara Holborow, Armondo Hurley and Eric Bailey who related their life stories to the students. Each person had experienced extreme hardship and 'got back up' to become the successful people that they are today.

*The students made the following comments at lunchtime...*

- It was so good it was insane - Stephanie
- Whilst it was a lot of fun, we all got something out of it - Alycia
- We all got involved. Elliot even sang! - Jessica
- It was very inspirational, it inspired us to be more than we are - Tayla
- It made us think more about others and not just ourselves - Hannah
- It was a fun environment and we learnt about other people's experiences - Teagan
- It was a lot better than expected...a wakeup call - Jack
- What the man said is quite right, it is your decision not your condition that makes you who you are - Emily
- A good experience, lots of high profile people and all about standing up for people and taking risks - Brendan
- It is teaching us how to live life and to follow our dreams - Bryce

*Mrs Wendy Morris*  
- Student Leadership Team Coordinator



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### Defence 2020 Youth Challenge

A number of students were selected to attend the Defence 2020 Youth Challenge on Thursday 30 October. These students were involved in examining what makes a good citizen and in particular whether the Australian Defence Force demonstrates these qualities. The day concluded with the role plays that the students had put together during the course of the morning. Congratulations to Georgia, Ayden and Leticia who were in the winning group. All these students were a credit to themselves and the College.

*Year 11 Biology were let loose at the zoo!*

### Halogen National Young Leaders Day

During November, the Year 11 Student Leaders, along with Penelope Parker, Brigette Macfarlane, Rutendo Kahango and Emma Schleemann from Year 11, attended the Halogen National Young Leaders Day held at the Perth Convention Centre.

Speakers at the event included: Robin Napper (former UK Detective Chief Inspector), Mike Martin (former Australian Army Officer), Emelia Rusciano (Australian Idol Contestant and Radio Personality), Justin Jones and James Castrission (first men to cross the Tasman Sea by Kayak) and cricketer legend, Justin Langer, who spoke on leading by example and "keeping your eye on the ball" through keeping sight of our visions, aspirations and dreams. All students thoroughly enjoyed the day and all furthered their understanding of leadership.

*Jesse Parmar, Year 11*

### Yr 9 Science and Engineering Challenge

On the 13th November, the Year Nine course one Science class travelled to the Australind Recreation Centre to participate in the Science and Engineering Challenge. This event was held over two days, with different schools from the South West competing on each day. It was a very fun and successful event with activities ranging from designing and building hovercrafts to constructing and marketing a dolls' chair. Both classes did very well in their activities and gained a lot of points for their class score. Miss Tapper's class did particularly well, winning most of the events, and achieving the overall winner of both days.

The following week, Miss Tapper's victorious class travelled by bus and train to the Perth Convention Centre to participate in the State Finals. Each group had a new activity to complete, and again BCC did very well. We were even coming first up until the last five minutes of the day. After the final Bridge Building activity was judged and the scores were calculated, we were disappointed to find out we had fallen to third place. However this was still an achievement as it meant that we ended up third in the state out of 63 participating schools.

The Science and Engineering Challenge has given us a great opportunity to learn, design and build many different projects. We have made more friendships and most importantly, had a lot of fun!

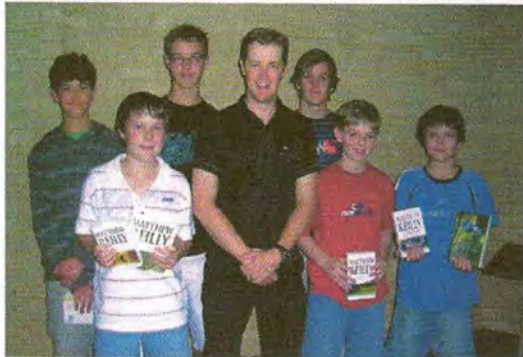
*Caris Panizza*

### TOURISM UNIT

The Tourism unit in Yr 10 Society and Environment visited several tourist sites around Bunbury.

## Visiting author- Matthew Reilly

Bestselling Australian author Matthew Reilly spoke to a rapt audience of mainly teenage boys and their parents about his bestselling books, some of his writing tips and where he gets his ideas from.



## Exchange student

I'm David Buechler, a 17 year old exchange student from Germany. I live in a small village called Langenstein, which is 80 km north from Frankfurt. I stayed here in Australia for 3 months. I decided to become an exchange student, because I wanted to see a different way of living, and of course, improve my English.

I just wanted to come out of Germany and see something of the world. I'm sure it was one of the best decisions, I have ever made. I had a wonderful time here! It's the easiest way to learn another language. It was such a good experience for me to live here with the Aussies.

There are so many differences between Germany and Australia. I have to say to all of you, do an exchange! It's a fantastic way of learning many things which are important for your life. Trust yourself to go along to another country! You will not often get the chance to go so easily to another other country and be so integrated in family life! All exchange students are very welcome in the whole of Europe. For example, my school is very happy to have exchange students and everybody would help them a lot.

Lastly, I want to say thank you to Bunbury Catholic College! Thank you all of you who helped me a lot. It was a wonderful time and I think it's because of your hospitality which I received in Australia. Special thanks to the pupils and my host family, who gave me such a wonderful time here in Australia! One thing is definite - I will come back to this wonderful country!!!

**David Buechler**  
Hintergasse 30



## Careers expo

During May, the Year 12 students were fortunate to have presenters from the WA Universities visit the School. A general overview was given by representatives from Curtin, UWA, ECU, Notre Dame & Murdoch with valuable information for anyone considering university as a pathway some time in their future.

Other presenters and pathway opportunities were also offered by the Apprenticeship & Traineeship Co, Alcoa, Chamber of Minerals & Energy and the South West College of TAFE.



## YOUNG DRIVERS PROGRAM

Our students were taught basic driving skills through the Young Drivers program. The program is delivered through the South West Youth Driver Development Program and aims to provide high school students with training to reduce crash risk through attitude modification, driver education and basic driving skills.

The course also teaches students some of the basics of car maintenance. "We learnt how to check the oil and water. We also checked the tread of the tyres and to know when you have to change tyres," said Jessica Hillas.



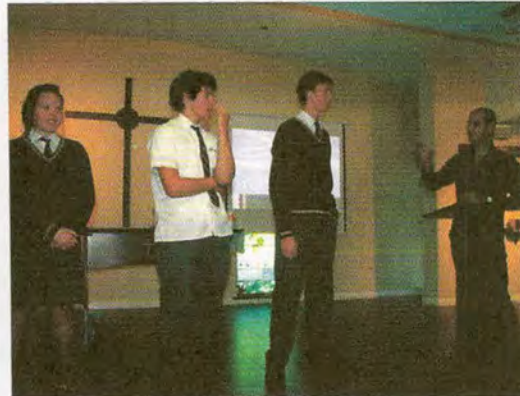
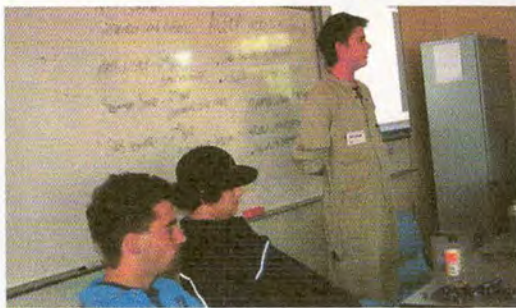


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### Michael McQueen from Nexgen Impact

Inspired students to look beyond their current circumstances and realise their potential. He discussed the power of expectations and highlighted some of the mindsets and attitudes that limit young people including comparisons, fear and a negative attitude!

### Marist brothers visit

Saturday 6th September was the 50th anniversary of the death of Br Valentine Flynn, the first Principal of St Francis Xavier College.

This is the Marist College which opened in 1954 on Bunbury Catholic College's current site. Four Marist Brothers, Brother David Blay, Brother Richard Spain, Brother Max Middleton and Brother Noel Hickey visited our school and met with Valentine faction student leaders. They also attended a memorial service at the grave of Brother Valentine.

Baby Anna Lochley visited the Year 10 'Caring for Children' classroom to give students hands on experience at bathing a new born baby and learning about what makes a new born tick!



### The amazing brain workshop

All Year 8 students had the opportunity to participate in a workshop with John Joseph. They dissected a lamb's brain, learnt all the parts of the brain and discovered the function of each part. They now have a basic understanding of how the brain acquires and processes information.

A group of parents also attended a workshop run by John. They discovered how students acquire knowledge and were given some strategies that they could use to improve learning for their children.

Mrs Vivienne McKenzie

# Camps

## Year 8 Camp

'In our dorm we told scary stories until we all fell asleep.....On Thursday we had to get up at 6am to have breakfast and take the bus to Bunkers bay. When we got there it was my teams turn to do the long walk. It was almost 6km in total. We walked through the bush to the lighthouse. On our way back we saw some seals which were really cool. After we had lunch it was time to go sea kayaking. It was a lot harder than back at camp. This time we had to paddle with the waves and against the current. We kept on getting pushed into the rocks!

Kate Fitzgerald



The highlights of the Year 8 Camp were sea kayaking, the game of fox holes, the spider web on the first day and the house games after tea on the first night. It was also a good idea to have milo and a biscuit for supper.

Brax 8W



My experience on camp was kayaking that is very hard because you wouldn't want to tip in deep water because that would be scary. But the rest of the camp was ok especially the dorms. Nelson

It was so funny all the girls rushing around trying to get with their friends and reserving bunks. I got in the very middle dorm. We go along like sisters in the dorm.

When we had unpacked we got to do some games. We did the human caterpillar and I was the leader. It was really embarrassing but heaps funny.

Stephanie Hart



....That night we had a very bad dinner and a very good desert.

On the Thursday, we woke up to the sound of 'Wake up Boys you have to set the table. That's what you get for mucking about last night. We all replied except for Alvin who was fast asleep.

Connor 8W



## Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp

It was all too early on Thursday morning for Mr Famlonga and Mr Avar's Outdoor Ed classes. Although we were still half asleep and were not in the mood for talking, we packed our packs, crawled onto the bus and eventually we were on our way.

On arrival after climbing a vertical cliff which Mr Fam failed to mention to us, Mr Avar repaid the favour by placing a 2-3kg rock up the top of his back pack. Surprisingly, he did not manage to realise until we eventually pulled it out at the next break after the tough vertical steep climb was over. We arrived at our camp site on time and were able to set up camp and make dinner in the light. Even to the untrained eye it was obvious that some bivvys were not going to last the night e.g. two of the boy's groups decided to use sticky tape to hold the top of their bivvy together.

After we de-briefed, we had a communal gathering and much to our disappointment, we decided to get up at 6am so we could reach the Dunsborough bakery by noon (this is probably the only thing that kept most of the group going). Throughout the night some people snored, fell out or off beds and some bivvys collapsed. There were even a few girls who were convinced there was something in the bushes after watching 'Criminal Minds' the night before. For most of us we could not wait for 6am to come.

It was pitch black and we could only see as far as our hand in front of us. This made it difficult to pack up and avoid collisions. It took us only a few hours to reach the end of the Cape to Cape track and as soon as we reached the Cape Naturaliste lighthouse it was like a domino effect. People collapsed onto their packs not eager to move another inch. The bus trip home was a quiet one as most of us were exhausted but laughter erupted when local drivers were driving past pulling stunts. Overall the camp was a great experience. During our travels we saw dolphins, a whale, possums and even a small snake on one of the pathways. Nowhere else in the world would you experience the priceless memories that we have now and still to this day are laughing about all the funny and random moments that we shared with each other.

*By Eve O'Mahony and Kira Hough  
(Camp Survivors)*



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## Outward Adventure





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## Outward Adventure

<i>Outward Adventure</i>	<i>Loved every moment</i>
<i>S Man</i>	<i>Outdoor experience</i>
<i>Taryn Tapper</i>	<i>Under the stars</i>
<i>Exciting</i>	<i>Interactive</i>
<i>Peanut Butter</i>	<i>Super Sarge</i>
<i>High Ropes</i>	<i>Exhausting</i>
<i>Abseiling</i>	
<i>Non Stop Fun!</i>	<i>Mike D's boots</i>
<i>Interesting</i>	<i>Caving</i>
<i>Energetic</i>	<i>Smell party</i>
	<i>Wet tents</i>
<i>Dare to dream</i>	<i>A close family</i>
<i>Amazing Views</i>	<i>No name game</i>
<i>Water Fun</i>	
<i>Never Showered</i>	

By Stephanie Dawn Louise McSwan

## Song – written and performed by Michael Busby, Jacob Impson, and Grant Voigt.

Arrive the first day and we could not foresee  
The outward adventure that was here in front  
of me  
We put our bags on our backs and how were  
we to know –  
-that the weight inside them was sure to grow.

### Breakdown

Abseil the next day,  
going backwards down a cliff.  
Rock climbing the last day,  
that was a bit diff.

### Jobs good!

Getting lost on a track and  
arriving in the night,  
But our group stayed together,  
They were yet to fight

Then the walk "yes the walk"  
Fifteen kms both days.  
We were walking cape to cape  
on the path along the waaaay!



## Group 8

Group 8 was like a Ferrari – it was fast, efficient, and really good to look at ... well sometimes... well it was on the first day. To have a great team working well is a bit like a car. For the car to function properly everyone has to work together.

For example:

- Macca was the flat tyre, she slowed us down a bit but when we gave her a bit of a 'pump up', she was right to go again. Sometimes she was the horn, when she would bark out instructions in her "autocratic leadership".
- Bianca Fish was the wheel nut, not apparent but held things together, and sometimes was the rear view mirror, as she was always checking behind.
- Kalia Hislop Bowles and Brittany Rodrigues were the cup holders, as they always came in handy.
- Michael Busby was the right hand speaker as he as always singing.
- Grant Voigt was the subwoofer as he had the generic beats for singing.
- Jacob Impson was the left hand speaker as there was always noise coming from Grant, Busby and Jacob.
- Bree Marsh was the back tyre, she may have been at the back but she kept on going.
- Josh Dubrawski was the coolant as he cooled any arguments.
- Ollie Richards was the roof rack as he had a lot to carry.
- Bridie Fisher was the car stitching, holding everything together.
- Rianne Colyer was the glove box, handy for organising things.
- Matt McManus was a tyre because he just kept rolling.
- Emma Dale was the seatbelt, making sure everyone felt safe and protected.
- Ryan Seale and Jordan Daly were the headlights, shining the way.
- Jake Dunning was the brake – as he stopped the group when they needed it.
- Peter Selby was the cigarette lighter, as he was always on hand to light the fire (metho??).
- Steph Plint was the rear view mirror decoration, as she would often just 'hang in there' at the front.

We had a few leaders like Bob and Abby the first night, Peter on the Saturday, Colin, Bon and then Colin again on the Sunday and Rod, Baz and Dekkers on the Sunday.... and finally Dekkers for the rest. (Baz was special because his last name was Wheels and he drove us on the sea Kayaks) and of course we can't forget Mr Townsend who would never let our car run out of water!!

As you can see, we may not have always been the Ferrari, sometimes we were the beat up Toyota where some parts forgot to work.....or were missing some of the time.....like Kath Waycott, but we got there in the end!

Group 8





### SWISSA Swimming

60 of our best swimmers represented the College in the SWISSA Swimming Carnival at the South West Sports Centre. It proved to be one of our most successful meets as we came 4th overall with only 8 points separating us from Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School who came 3rd. Fredrick Irwin won the day for the 12th consecutive time. We had outstanding results in the U/14 age division where we came a close second and in the U/16's we came third. One of the most pleasing aspects of the day was the manner in which the students conducted themselves, always being ready for events and encouraging each other in their performance.

Thanks to Ms Ludita McLean, Mr Braden Famlonga and Mr Mike Hearne for their early morning swimming trainings and also for their help on the day. Also thank you to Mr Paul Northover, Mr Ollie Maratea, Mr John O'Dea, Ms Alexa Wood and Ms Caitlin Davis for their help in running the carnival, and to the Year 12 PE Studies students who helped cater, time-keep and marshal. Thank you to Mrs Shirley Wells who did a great job refereeing and to all the parents who helped time-keep. Your help is really appreciated. Congratulations to all swimmers on a great effort!

**Ms Robyn Dunnet - Sports Co-ordinator**



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## SWISSA ATHLETICS Pipped at the post!

The SWISSA Athletics squad had an early start to make their way to Kolbe Catholic College in Rockingham. The day started with a few showers which unfortunately because of the slippery conditions caused the High Jump and Triple Jump to be cancelled for the rest of the day. However it did not stop our competitors performing exceptionally well in the other events. The competition was close all day with BCC going from 5th to 1st and finally 2nd where we ended up. We were just beaten by Kolbe the host school by a very narrow margin.

Special mentions go to Erin Fee and Luke Freeman who were our individual champions in the open division age group. We also had outstanding results in our U/17 and Open division age groups who were presented with shields for being our overall year group winners.

*Ms Robyn Dunnet - Sports Co-ordinator*



## Year 8 Lightning Carnival

This year saw the first of hopefully many more Year 8 Winter Carnivals to be held at Hay Park. The students competed against Ocean Lutheran Forest, MacKillop Catholic College and Georgiana Molloy Anglican School in hockey, football, soccer, volleyball and netball.

The students had fun competing in a number of team sports and meeting up with students from other schools. The day was about fun rather than results but with our big numbers it is fair to say we did extremely well in the competition.



## Cross Country

The SWISSA Cross Country was once again held at Camp Mornington, near Harvey in May. The day turned out to be perfect for Cross Country running. The course was a lot tougher than some of our runners were used to, with lots of slippery, gravel corners and some big hills. I was impressed with every single competitor's effort on the day and their support for their team mates.

We had some outstanding results in some of the age groups and to mention just a few.....

- Toni Lander - Third - U/14's
- James Griffith - Runner Up - U/15's
- Lauren Lander - Runner Up - U/16's

Overall, BCC came fourth out of the 8 schools, which was a good result considering there were no Open Girl runners and only two U/17 Girl runners. Bunbury Cathedral Grammar won the day once again Well done to all competitors on a fantastic day!

*Ms Robyn Dunnet - Sports Coordinator*



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# Athletics

## House Athletics Carnival-Xavier winners!

Every year, we have an official of the carnival and this year the award goes to Samantha Wells and Maddie Depilato.

There were several individuals other than those fantabulous officials who stood out on the day.

### THESE STUDENTS WERE OUTSTANDING RECORD BREAKERS:

Shelby O'Dea    800m 2mins 22secs  
 Veronica Lette    Javelin 22m

### INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS :

<b>U/14 Female Champion</b>	Naomi Dixon	81 points
<b>R/Up</b>	Jessica Fairbanks	45 points
<b>U/14 Male Champion</b>	Liam Davis	53 points
<b>R/Up</b>	Luke Brown	44 points
<b>U/15 Female Champion</b>	Caris Panizza	65 points
<b>R/Up</b>	Taylor Prosser	60.5 points
<b>U/15 Male Champion</b>	Nicholas Banasiak	59 points
<b>R/up</b>	<i>Who also broke the shot putt record</i> Marshall Roberts	57 points
<b>U/16 Female Champion</b>	Julia Phillips	60 points
<b>R/up</b>	<i>Who also broke Triple, Long and High Jump records</i> Courtney Gledhill	38 points
<b>U/16 Male Champion</b>	Jamie Crane	66 points
<b>R/up</b>	Brendan Phillipps	58 points
<b>U/17 Female Champion</b>	Erienne Lette	56 points
<b>R/Up</b>	<i>Also equalled Discus and broke a Javelin record</i> Georogina Sobejko	39 points
<b>U/17 Male Champion</b>	Nicholas Godsell	85 points
<b>R/Up</b>	<i>Who also broke the 200m record</i> Manasseh Gudgeon	69 points
	<i>Who aslo broke Discus and Javelin records</i>	
<b>Open Female Champion</b>	Casey Webb	93 points
<b>R/Up</b>	Erin Fee	86 points
	<i>Who also broke javelin and shot putt records</i>	
<b>Open Male Champion</b>	Luke Freeman	54 points
<b>R/Up</b>	<i>Who also broke the shot put record</i> Anthony Morabito	49 points
<b>Best Overall Performer</b>	Casey Webb	



SPORT

### FINAL RESULTS ARE:

<b>Xavier</b>	<b>2252 points</b>
<b>Valentine</b>	<b>2385 points</b>
<b>Marcellin</b>	<b>2694.5 points</b>
<b>McAuley</b>	<b>3355.5 points</b>

As you know the PANDA award is extremely important which is for the best team spirit and participation....

The Panda has been wearing GREEN for McAuley from the X country (which xavier won overall), and for Swimming (which Marcellin won overall), with the huge results which came down to participation... the panda will be wearing Green again.... Congratulations McAuley!

## BCC INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all the participants in the Inter-house Swimming Carnival held in March. Special thanks to the students who participated beyond their requirements, knowing they probably wouldn't win, but getting in the water anyway to get points for their house. Thank you to those students who volunteered to help out during the day and to all those who CHEERED like I have never heard before! It was a fantastic atmosphere with races hotly contested and nearly every event FULL. To the Year 9 – 12 House Leaders, you are to be thoroughly congratulated on your fantastic contribution to making the Carnival a truly HOUSE event.

Looking at the individual winners and their houses, Xavier was a very clear winner early on, and then there was the tussle between McAuley and Marcellin for the rest of the afternoon. Before the relays, Marcellin was behind.

### JUNIOR SHIELD (YEAR 8 & 9)

Marcellin	982	McAuley	467
McAuley	934	Xavier	446
Xavier	863	Marcellin	315
Valentine	644	Valentine	310

This is the 5th year in a row that Marcellin have won overall. Most importantly, the PANDA award for participation in events and House spirit was very close with ALL Houses competing with such fantastic spirit. In equal third was Valentine and Xavier, in Second was Marcellin and the Panda is wearing GREEN for McAuley.



### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ON THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS:

<b>Under 14 girls</b>	Jessica Ruland Toni Lander
<b>Under 14 boys</b>	Lyndon Goldsmith and Lucas Millner (equal first)
<b>Under 15 girls</b>	Jordan Freeman Sophie Cook
<b>Under 15 boys</b>	Nicholas Banasiak Declan Jackson
<b>Under 16 girls</b>	Lauren Lander Eloise Yates
<b>Under 16 boys</b>	David McKay Andrew Wilson
<b>Under 17 girls</b>	Tamsyn Roberts Demi Millner
<b>Under 17 boys</b>	Nicholas Godsell Samuel Hovard
<b>Under 20 girls</b>	Paige McKenzie Amy Ruland
<b>Under 20 boys</b>	Daniel Cole Luke Freeman

### NEW RECORDS SET FOR 2008

<b>Male U/14 50m Freestyle</b>	Lyndon Goldsmith
<b>Female U/14 Breaststroke</b>	Jessica Ruland
<b>Male U/14 Breaststroke</b>	Lucas Millner
<b>Female U/20 Breaststroke</b>	Paige McKenzie
<b>Male U/14 Backstroke</b>	Lyndon Goldsmith
<b>Male U/14 Butterfly</b>	Lucas Millner
<b>Male U/15 Butterfly</b>	Nicholas Banasiak
<b>Male U/16 Butterfly</b>	David McKay

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# Cross Country

## HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

A beautiful afternoon ensured some great times. Points were given to all participants who completed the course in under 25 minutes. The better time you ran, the more points you scored for your house.

### THE FINAL RESULTS WERE:

4 <sup>TH</sup>	<b>Valentine</b>	1009 points
3 <sup>RD</sup>	<b>Marcellin</b>	1058 points
2 <sup>ND</sup>	<b>McAuley</b>	1139 points
1 <sup>ST</sup>	<b>Xavier</b>	1211 points

Congratulations to Xavier, winning the shield for the second year in a row. However, look out next year, with McAuley who have not won it for ..... Of course McAuley won the PANDA award for having the most participants.



### THE FINAL RESULTS WERE:

#### GIRLS - 2.5kms

##### Open Girls

1st Casey Webb	12 mins 20 secs
2nd Erin Fee	

##### U17 girls

1st & 2nd	12 mins 59 secs
Gemma Ernst & Georgina Sobejko	

##### U16 girls

1st Lauren Lander	10 mins 49 secs
2nd Shannon Verhagen	

##### U15 girls

1st Stephanie Gann	12 mins 8 secs
2nd Mariah Maughan	

##### U14 girls

1st Toni Lander	<b>RECORD - 10 mins 54secs</b>
2nd Kelsey Valli	

#### BOYS - 3.5 km

##### Open Boys

1st Antony Russo	12 mins 34 secs (miss rec by 9secs)
2nd Patrick Smith	

##### U17 boys

1st Nic Godsell	14 mins 2 secs
2nd Kurt D'Agostino	

##### U16 boys

1st Jeremy Mason	14min 59 secs
2nd Carlo Chiellini	

##### U15 Boys

1st James Griffiths	14 mins 33
2nd Rhys Griffiths	

##### U14 Boys

1st Connor Cairns	15mins 4 secs
2nd Tyler Robertson	

### Marist Netball

Marist Netball is a huge part of Bunbury Catholic College with the 2008 season being no exception. There were over 180 girls from the College participating this year with 21 Marist teams playing over 4 days in three different associations.

The Touring Team were again involved in the Sunday Football / Netball League, a Year 10 rep team involved in U/15 super league on Sundays, 2 teams in the Tuesday night Bunbury Association, 4 teams in the Bunbury Saturday afternoon comp and 14 teams in the Friday night Leschenault competition!!

Many of these teams made the Finals and Grandfinals. Year 8 Marist White won a Saturday afternoon Grand Final against Yr 10 Marist Bees Knees. Yr 10 Chocoholics won the Division 2 Tuesday night Grand Final. Friday night Grand finalists were Yr 9 Marist Magic who won the Division 3 Grand Final by 1 goal. In Division 2 Yr 9 Marist Aces were runners up and in Division 1 Marist Stars defeated Marist Legends.



### Most successful Touring Team Ever!!!

In November 2007 the most elite Bunbury Catholic College Netball team was selected. This is the Touring Team. Unfortunately due to World Youth Day celebrations the Australian Marist Netball Carnival was rescheduled to clash with Outward Adventure and Year 12 Retreat. But there was always Hawaii!!

Leading up to Hawaii, the girls WON the WA Marist Netball Carnival held annually against Newman College. Unfortunately not all members could tour to Hawaii, but those that did, showed what a forceful team we would be, coming Runners Up in the Open Division in Hawaii.

The "touring team" then went on to play under the name of Carey Park in the Sunday Football / Netball League and would make it to the semi finals in September.

In May they won the SOUTH WEST High Schools Cup OPEN division.

In August they went on to win their Elimination Day final to make it to the STATE Grand final. This was the pinnacle and no other netball team in BCC's history has ever won the final.

This will officially be the most successful Touring Team.

#### Congratulations:

**Natasha Carbone** (co captain)

**Bree-Anne Milligan** (co captain)

**Jade Clarke** (co captain)

**Kelli-Anne Beattie**

**Rianne Colyer**

**Emma Dale**

**Bianca Fish**

**Ellie Hunter**

**Stephanie Plint**

**Georgina Sobjeko**

**Claire Temptra**

**Stephanie Waycott**

**Maddie De Pilato** (Umpire)

**Graham Jones** (Coach)

**Kerrie Downes** (Assistant Coach)

**Ludita McLean** (Manager)

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# Netball

## Bunbury Catholic College Marist Netball Descends on Hawaii

On Friday 11 April, 29 Bunbury Catholic College girls got on a plane to Hawaii to play some serious netball. After arriving at the hotel, one block back from Waikiki Beach, the girls had a 20 minute walk down to the courts for some specialist training with Australian Netballers. This was followed by tea for Lara's birthday and some much needed sleep.

Bunbury Catholic College Marist Netball took 4 teams to Hawaii. Two teams competing in the U/15 division (a Year 9 Team and a mainly Year 10 Team), a team in the U/18 division (solely Year 10's) and we put our Year 11 and 12 girls (who were mainly touring team girls) in the Open division. We hoped that this would make all players step up into a harder division. With teams from Seattle, Los Angeles, New Zealand, Hawaii and many Australian Eastern States teams, Western Australia (Bunbury) was well represented.

The Opening Ceremony (the very next day) on Saturday at 8am meant a very early start. Games immediately followed and continued throughout the day with the last game finishing at 5.50pm. On Sunday, it was back to games all day again. The girls played 16 games over 2 days. All games were played at a fierce intensity, with all teams having to play each other before being split into age division for the Finals.

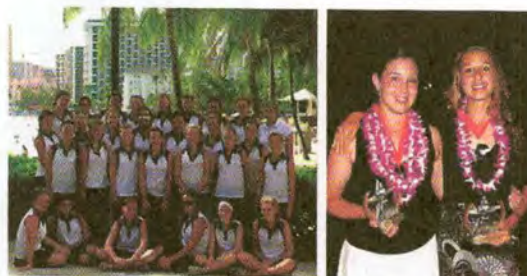
Marist Teams had a great start to the carnival, with all teams having to overcome a huge learning curve of what a higher level of netball is about. To the girls' credit, they all stepped up. Having the most amount of teams, we were renowned by the end of the first day. We continued our great reputation of good sportsmanship, fair play and never giving up no matter the score, and always accepting umpires' decisions throughout the carnival. We were also well known for our great umpires (thanks Maddie De Pilato, Phoebe Berndt, Natasha Carbone and Mr Jones).

After playing 16 games, it was time for Finals. We had the Year 9 and Year 10 Team playing each other in the U/15 grand final. The Year 10 Team had won the round robin game against the Year 9's easily on the Saturday, but anything can happen in a Grand Final and it did. It went down to the wire, with a 7-6 result with Year 9's winning a pair of Aasics shoes each.

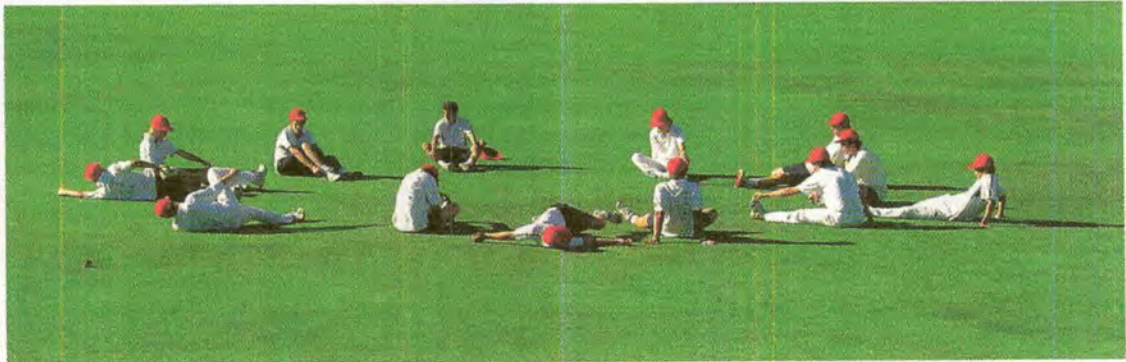
The Year 10's in the U/18 division missed out on finals but won quite a few games during the course of the carnival. The Open Team only lost 3 games through the round robin fixtures. They went into the Grand Final against Los Angeles Waves, who they had lost to previously. (Please also note this team were all ex-national players from Commonwealth countries - very slick team.) The girls put up a great fight to finish within 5 goals.

Finally, the playing was over by 3pm in time for the Luau at 6pm at the very famous Royal Hawaiian Pink Hotel where presentations were held. A very successful Carnival overall with 2 runner up teams, and a winning team out of 3 divisions. We also took out 2 fairest and best awards. Congratulations to Alysia Fogliani who won the Fairest and Best for the U/15 division and to Natasha Carbone who won Fairest and Best for the Open Division.

The following days were spent Surfing, Island Touring, Snorkelling, sightseeing on the Pearl Harbour Tour, Surfing again and of course they are girls who would rather shop than do anything else (although believe it or not - we did try to limit the shopping time).



## Marist Cricket Carnival 2008 Victors at last!



In the end the Boys won the Jordan Redmond Trophy for smashing Newman College in Perth and the Stan McCabe Trophy for winning the whole Marist Carnival. The Captain, Curtis Guglielmana, won Player of the Carnival and was named Captain of the Marist Australian XI. It was a credit to the team as a whole that only one player made the First XI. In a great team effort, every player contributed to the success.

It was also fitting that it was the last Tour that Mick Fewster was a member of. Over the past 15 years he has been a stalwart of the tour and it was only fitting that we could win one before he left us.

*Mr David Norrish*

This year after 25 years the Marist Cricket Touring Team has finally achieved the 'Holy Grail'. In Adelaide hosted by Sacred Heart the boys went undefeated in a Carnival that also included past winners such as St Joseph's- Hunter Hill, Newman College, Bendigo College and the hosts Sacred Heart College. (On paper) our team seemed not to be as strong as past teams, however was able to put incredible pressure on our opponents in the field and then prove to be consistent with the bat.

The first game against St Joseph's was almost the final itself with Joeys setting 255 to win in 50 over's. Our Captain Curtis Guglielmana scored 117 off 108 and then the tenth wicket partnership between Corey Fitt and Matty Arrowsmith scored 52 runs at eight runs per over. On the second last ball Matt walked at the Joey's opening bowler and clubbed him for six over midwicket. Brother Jordan Redmond, who is a well known stalwart and spectator of the Marist Carnival, described it as the best game of cricket he had ever seen played at a Carnival. This game set the tone and intensity that the team played with for the rest of the Carnival. In the following games the boys performed so well in the field: the opening bowlers bowled tightly, forcing the opposition to take silly chances and this resulted in at least one run out per game. Furthermore, the first and second change bowlers swung the ball well and picked up the remaining wickets. In most games our batsmen were steady and got the runs easily. As a result a few teams lost due mainly to the pressure from the touring team during the day.

#### THE WINNING TEAM CONSISTED OF :

**Matthew Arrowsmith**  
**Ashley Chapman**  
**Kurt D'Agostino**  
**Jaysen De San Miguel**  
**Corey Fitt**  
**Cono Galati**  
**Curtis Guglielmana**  
**Regan Hicks**  
**Jonathon Krawec**  
**Rohan Martin**  
**Luke McCormack**  
**Ryan Risdon**  
**Antony Russo**  
**Coach: Mr Rob De San Miguel**  
**Assistant Coach: Mr David Norrish**  
**Manager: Mr Mick Fewster**

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<b>Jaysen Miguel</b>	<b>Rohan Martin</b>
<b>Cono Galati</b>	<b>Ashley Chapman</b>
<b>Jonathon Krawec</b>	<b>Kurt D'Agostino</b>
<b>Ryan Risdon</b>	<b>Dave Faulkner</b>
<b>Antony Russo</b>	<b>Richard Fimmano</b>
<b>Joseph Barningham</b>	<b>Dane Crognale</b>
<b>Rory Binnie</b>	<b>Joshua Parker</b>
<b>Patrick Smith</b>	<b>Kyle Davis</b>

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# Rowing

The Rowing Program has been running for many years and has seen some great talent. The program grows each year with many students continuing year after year and some starting out new.

The program runs in Term 1 and term 4 for students from Year 8 to Year 12. There is South West Schools Head of the River competition in which our School competes and in which we do extremely well. This year we came a very close second to the Grammar. The rowers can also compete in the School Girls competition held in Perth against the Girls schools. In this competition we have a great reputation and the team didn't let us down this year, winning the majority of the events.

The Bunbury Rowing Club is a great support and athletes have the opportunity to go as far as they wish in the sport at Bunbury, including representing your country. Rowing is a fun and enjoyable sport. I encourage everyone to give it a try. It can be very demanding and very rewarding.

**Alex Hagan**  
*Captain of the Boats*



## Champion Schools Soccer Competition

This year Bunbury Catholic College performed extremely well in the Champion Schools Soccer Competition. Once again we had Junior Girls and boys' team and a senior girls and boys team. All teams progressed through to the first knockout round of the finals after defeating Bunbury Grammar. Unfortunately this is as far as the junior girls went after losing narrowly to Mandurah Catholic College in a hard fought match. Thank you to Todd Lauren for coaching the girls.

The second knockout round saw our senior boys with Mike Hearne as their coach in a match against John Curtin Senior High. John Curtin are the reigning premiers from last year so the boys were keen to win. Unfortunately with out a few key players the boys were unable to pull it off. Our senior girls coached by Fred Webb and junior boys coached by Ollie Maratea, blitzed their opposition and progressed through to the quarter finals.

The junior boys who had already beaten the John Curtin 'B' side now had to contend with the 'A' side. It proved to be a tough match and one that the boys worked hard in but they could not manage to win. The senior girls result was similar and unfortunately John Curtin Senior High managed to end all our teams' hopes for the finals.

The 2008 Champion Schools Soccer Competition was our most successful campaign yet. With sixteen other teams in each division our players did extremely well. Next year hopefully we will be able to knock out John Curtin Senior High and make it to the final. Well done to all players who demonstrated not only great skills but great sportsmanship as well. Thank you to the coaches who gave up their time and did a great job.

### Ms Robyn Dunnet



## Senior Girls Soccer "Smarter Than Smoking Trophy"

The girls played a hard fought battle against Safety Bay Senior High School on Wednesday 30/07/08. The game was played at Safety Bay in wet and windy conditions.

From the onset our girls looked switched on. They warmed up well and ran on the pitch as a team that wanted to win.. They had control of the game throughout the first half but could not score.

In the second half the defense continued to be rock solid and rebounded the ball into the forward line.

A brilliant passage of play from state players Hayley Castrilli passing to Casey Webb who pushed past a defender and put the ball into the net from a sensational left foot kick.

Jubilation escalated as Hayley scored five minutes later to secure a well deserved win.

With a few minutes to go SBSH finally broke through our defense but failed to score as our state goalie Kathleen Waycott caught the ball at full stretch. Special mention must go to the whole team as they played as if they had been training for months. Every one of our players had a personal victory over their opponent.

After a hard and physical match our team was relieved to get back on the bus, rest their battered and bruised bodies and enjoy the bus trip home.

**Coach Mr Fred Webb**

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# Triathlon

## Inter-School Triathlon Champions

Bunbury Catholic College competed in a Triathlon between South West Schools. All Competitors put in a 110 percent and at the end of the day we finished overall winners bringing home the trophy!

Held at Eaton foreshore with individual, mixed and separate boy/girl teams, the course for the Seniors was a 500m swim, 16km bike ride and a 4km run and for the Juniors a 250m swim, an 8km bike ride and a 2km run. Each person needs to be congratulated on their sportsmanship and effort.

We have numerous 'stand out' performances which firstly go to our individual competitors. Toni Lander (Year 8), Alix English and Lauren Lander (Year 10) each took home a medallion for their age group. Kelsey Valli and Liam Reeves (Year 8) also completed the event individually, which was a fantastic effort! For the teams events we also had numerous winners.

### BOYS

Year 8 - Lyndon Goldsmith, Jordan Freeman, Ben Jerez  
Year 9 - Kyle Tosana, Jack Bartholomew, Rhys Griffith  
Year 12 - Daniel Cole, John Dewhurst, Luke Darlow

### GIRLS

Year 10 - Eloise Yates, Teagan Doyle, Shanelle Carn

### MIXED

Year 8 - Ralph Mitchell, Shannon Dusci, Leah Vincent



# Equestrian

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## Interschool Equestrian Championships

Two teams represented BCC in the Interschool Equestrian Championships at the State Equestrian Centre at Brigadoon. Team Red consisted of Nicolee Coxall (Year 12), Hannah Sharpe (Year 11), and Elizabeth Kouw (Year 8). Team Green consisted of Sara Naylor and Siobhan Darlow (Year 10), Nicola Panorios (Year 9) and Eloise Welsh (Year 8).

During the three days, students competed in Dressage, Showman and Showjumping classes. Friday morning competition began with the Preliminary Dressage heats, with the Novice Dressage heats being held in the afternoon. Everyone did well, especially Sara who made the final.

Saturday saw the Showman competition with Siobhan doing well to come 5th in the four phase final. Showjumping was on the Sunday with great work from our five competitors even though they were unplaced.

In addition to the riding, there was plenty of organised fun and entertainment. On Thursday night, the unstoppable team of Hannah, Nikki P, Eloise, and friends Morgan and Kathleen entered the games in the large indoor arena. Playing a game of modified netball, they thrashed ten other teams to receive some very nice "horsey" prizes. The faithful BCC mothers in the cheer-squad did the school proud.

All-in-all, everyone had a great time and went home pleased with their efforts.

*Nicola Panorios, Year 9*

SPORT

## Volleyball

Bunbury Catholic College was represented by several teams in the various competitions this year. Starting with Beach volleyball in Term 1, there were five BCC teams entered. They participated with the sun at their face and sand inbetween their toes. There was sand everywhere else by the time the games were over. In Terms 2 and 3, indoor hardcourt beach volleyball saw BCC represented by the ever reliable Year 12 girls who have been playing for the past three years.

In Term 4, some new blood was injected into the sport with two Year 10 girls volleyball teams down at Beach volleyball at Koombana Bay playing against teams from other schools. It was great to see one of the BCC teams flying the premiersip banner for BCC by the end of the six week season. A special mention to Nicola Stevenson (Year 11) who won the Dave Carey Memorial Medal for her effort, participation and leadership in the junior competition.

### Ms Ludita McLean



## Hockey

The College participated in the ACC Carnival and played a good standard. Unfortunately BCGS were too strong for the boys and Frederick Irwin defeated the girls.

The standard of the girls in particular is improving and it is only a matter of time before the teams experience the success they deserve. Once again a big thanks to Mr Tyrrell who helped out with the Girls team.

### Mr David Norrish



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## McAuley



2008 was a fantastic year for the McAuley House. First and foremost a big congratulations to everyone in McAuley for one of our most successful years.

The mighty Green machine, after eight long years, finally rose to the challenge to break the long drought and claim victory in the Athletics Shield. McAuley's consistent encouragement of fellow faction members, along with high levels of spirit and participation led them to a clean sweep of the Panda Award in swimming, running and cross country.

On the 24th September it was McAuley's House Day. We celebrated the day with stalls and activities which everyone enjoyed. By the end of the day McAuley had managed to raise \$192.30. As Captains of McAuley we are immensely proud of the spirit, participation and enthusiasm that was displayed throughout the year by our McAuley. Many thanks to our fellow McAuley leaders from Years 8-11.

**Patrick Smith and Sarah Forrest**  
2008 McAuley House Captains



## Marcellin



2008 was an action packed year for Marcellin. We experienced the heartbreak of defeat in a few arenas but most importantly the glory of victory in the coveted swimming carnival. This was one of the highlights in an eventful year and one which was a credit to all our competitors who fought valiantly to bring home the shield.

We would like to thank everyone who participated in events throughout the year. One of the most memorable and fulfilling days on the calendar was Marcellin House day. It was a day solely for our House and we were proud of everyone who entered into the House spirit and made the day a success. Yellow was the colour, with Hawaii, pizzas, lemon drinks and banana lollies a must. We could not have organised the day without the help of our fellow student leaders.

It was a great privilege and honour to lead such a quality house into battle. Thanks everyone for an enjoyable year and keep the winning coming!

Peace out!

**Kelli-Anne Beattie and Anthony Morabito**  
2008 Marcellin House Captains





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## Xaviar



On Wednesday the 9th April all of Xavier celebrated its House Day. It was a time to reflect on the origins of the house and to enjoy being a part of it.

The day commenced with an assembly centred on Xavier and all of the Xavier House members were seated at the front waving their red flags in support of the house. It was fantastic to look at a sea of red Xavierites from the stage, and we were impressed that everyone really got into the House spirit.

At lunch time, Xavier House members came down to the hall and could buy pizza, soft drinks, milkshakes, lollies, house memorabilia and take a free ice cup. The day ran really smoothly and everyone got involved. It takes a lot of work to get a House Day organized and we would like to thank all the House leaders from years 8 to 11.

**Nicholas Zaknic and Courtney Downes**  
2008 Xavier House Leaders



## Valentine



### 'Victory is our Destiny'

Valentine Flynn was a member of the Marist Brothers Order. Brother Valentine possessed great qualities as an organiser, being able to lead and enlist cooperation by the force of his example, particularly in the field of sport. The House of Valentine portrayed his attributes in more ways than one and illustrated persistence, determination, encouragement, loyalty, kindness and leadership. The Year 2008 was full of rewarding yet challenging events. Although Valentine may have not always come out on top, 2008 was a time in which everyone; academic, service and commitment and sporting achievements were recognised. A huge thankyou to all members of Valentine who gave valuable house points throughout the year and we encourage you all to continue to support Valentine and give the other houses a run for their money.

The Valentine House Day on the 8th of September was a huge success. A week of fundraising for St Vincent de Paul began on Tuesday 2nd, with activities ranging from morning quizzes, a lunchtime Valentine vs. Teacher soccer game (Valentine won of course), pizza, cool drinks, and free hand made cupcakes. This day wouldn't have been the same without the help of our remarkable house leaders who provided wonderful entertainment for all Valentine members. Other events throughout the year included our annual Swimming Carnival and Sports Carnival. Valentine cheered to their hearts content, and entered into numerous races, of all age groups (i.e. Yr 8's entered into Yr 12 races. Thankyou Yr 8's). Although it wasn't enough to get us over the line, this isn't the end; and from your two House Captains, Antony Russo and Stephanie Pitcher, we would like to wish all our fellow Valentinians great happiness and success for the future.

GO VALENTINE!!!

**Antony Russo and Stephanie Pitcher**  
Valentine House Captains



YEAR GROUPS





It has been my privilege to work with a wonderful group of students and Homeroom teachers and I thank them all for making my year so successful. The students are very fortunate to have such caring people overseeing their transition into high school. Miss Sawyer, Miss Kukulka, Miss Douglas, Miss Crosby, Mr. Maratea, Mr. Hearne, Mr. Webb and Mrs. Parmar all spend many hours preparing lessons, marking work and answering questions to ensure that each and every student gets the best possible start to their high school career. I hope the experience has been rewarding for both students and teachers alike.

*Mrs Vivienne McKenzie*  
Year 8 Coordinator

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Year 8 started as a brand new adventure for 201 students from more than eight different schools in the Bunbury region. We all headed off to Busselton Baptist Youth camp four weeks into Term One for a bit of bonding, rest and relaxation, NOT!! We were not used to the 6am wake up calls but really enjoyed the activities throughout the day.

Some students had the opportunity to participate in the ANZAC Day March and found it a very moving experience. We also celebrated the great gift of our parents by hosting a Mother's Day morning tea and a Father's Day breakfast. John Joseph visited us and amazed us with his knowledge and enthusiasm about the brain.

The 'Step to the Future' forum was inspirational for the Year 8 student leaders lucky enough to experience it. Topping off the year was Medieval Day which was great fun. We would like to thank Mrs McKenzie and all the Year 8 teachers for their amazing guidance.

*Year 8 student leaders*

# Year 8



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## YEAR 8D

 Alexandra Aytton	 Zanna Baker	 Bianca Beer	 Aubric Brosnan	 Eragon Buck	 Maddison Dawson	 Jessica Deplazzi	 Lachlan Doyle	 Justin Faulkner	 Lauren Fitzgerald
 Lauren Fitzgerald	 Matthew Hannagan	 Daniel Harris	 Alecha Hawley	 Megan Herlop	 Ben Larking	 Veronica Letts	 Frazer Lewis	 Casey Long	 Louie Maonish
 Deak Newton	 Sharice Paitry	 Thomas Paynter	 James Pitts	 Mason Santford	 Anthony Schiripa	 Savannah Spry	 Alen Tolentino	 Eliza Veach	 Harrison Walker

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The year 9 students have had a very successful and enjoyable year. They are a very mature, hard working and friendly group of students.

The Alcohol Awareness Quiz Night in Term 2 was a great evening for students and their parents. We enjoyed the Grandparents' Mass and morning tea in Term 3 and had a great time on our two -day Retreat. The students are to be commended on the mature way they conducted themselves at all these events.

The Year 9 students participated well in their Christian Service learning. The nursing homes they visited were impressed with their enthusiasm and excellent behaviour. Thank you to the RE teachers for their efforts in running this programme.

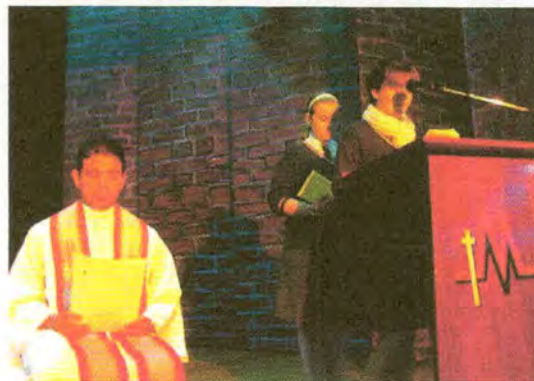
This year saw an invigorated House system emerge. Students were pleased to receive House Points for their academic, sporting and service contributions. Thank you to Ms Morris and congratulations to the House Leaders for their considerable efforts to make things work so well.

Several students began a variety of work experiences, including one group of Year 9s who participated in the Work@9 with ALCOA at Wagerup for six days. The students learnt theory in the classroom in the morning and then applied the theory in the workshop in the afternoon. The students involved enjoyed this programme and were a credit the College.

I would like to thank all the Year 9 Homeroom Teachers and parents for their support over 2008. With your support the students have done a fantastic job of keeping focused and working hard. I have enjoyed this year very much.

All the best to the Class of 2011 for next year and for the future.

**Mr Kieran Noonan**  
Year 9 Coordinator 2008

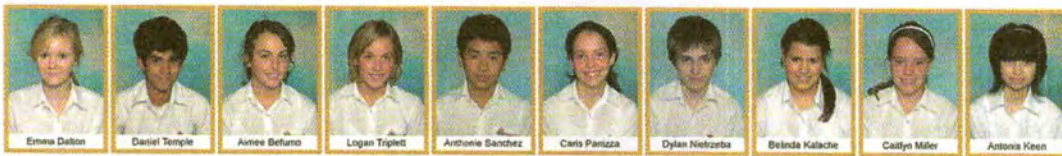


We have organised a number of events this year. The first event was the Year 9 Drug Awareness Quiz Night which, to our surprise, went remarkably well. The second event involved the four House groups. Each house had to organise a fun day. The House fun days were planned to run on different dates and only House members could participate.

**Mark Clegett**



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Year 10 has been a very successful year in 2008. The students have undertaken a large number of activities both in and outside the classroom. These have included guest speakers at assemblies, a whole weeks work experience and completing two days Christian Service Learning at various venues.

**Mr Braden Famlonga**  
Year 10 Coordinator

### Here are some of the students thoughts on Year 10 in 2008:

Year 10 had its great times and its hard times. There were many opportunities that helped us make decisions for Year 11 and 12.

Some of the girls at the end of Term 1 were rewarded by going to Hawaii for a netball tour. We did very well over there with three of our teams getting into the grand final and also Natasha Carbone and myself getting Fairest and Best for our divisions. It was an amazing experience learning about Hawaii's history and also seeing the best views in the world. We also got to see Hula dancers! Although once we got back, it was back to hard work at school.

**Alysia Fogliani**

Early in the school year, many Homerooms were involved with the homeroom decoration competition. With the aim of making their homerooms look the best and beating their opposing houses, a lot of effort was put into creating a spectacular display from room to room. There were paper chains, paint, team logos and even cellophane in the lights. This competition strengthened the homeroom groups and rewarded some as Year Coordinators and Ms O'Meara selected the lucky winners.

**Year 10 House Leaders**

Year 10, the year where the growth shows. They bombard us with the same lines: work hard or else you won't have a job. This reached through to a lot of us. Teachers put more pressure on us and changed the way we thought about school. With all the pressure piling on, a lot of memories have been created.

The electives we chose gave us a break from the study and hard work. Many of us pursued talents like art, music, drama, metalwork, woodwork etc. I myself pursued drama which involved singing, dancing, crying and a lot of acting! As a year group, we have grown from immature stereotypical Year 8's to growing young adults who are pushing the boundaries academically and physically.

Work experience sent us out into the working world as adults pursuing interesting careers. All of us enjoyed it and many apprenticeships were offered to the good workers.

**Nathan Serravite**

2008 was a fun-filled year for the Year 10 Student Leaders. From organising the Wet Weather Free Dress Day to attending the Step to the Future Forum, the Year Tens loved every minute of it. The Wet Weather Free Dress Day saw many people come to school dressed in coloured striped thermals.

This helped raise money for the Bishops Fund and for those affected by natural disasters. The Year Ten Inter-House competition started off as a dodge ball competition but turned into a soccer match which was great fun. The Year Ten student leaders had a great time representing the Year Ten group and hope to be student leaders again in the future.

**Sophie Smith**



# Year 10



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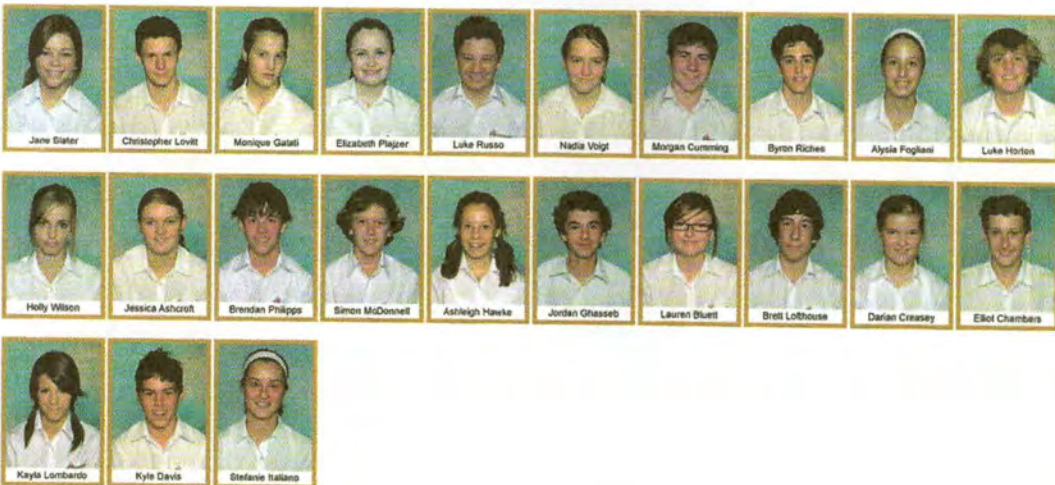
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By the time you are reading this, the year 11 class of 2008 will BE WELL OVER HALF WAY through the two year journey to the end of their Upperschool Education, leading to employment or further study at university or TAFE.

Most students have taken the challenges set in February seriously, and been successful in their studies and the opportunities presented by the College.

In February, 191 started: we have lost nine (including one German exchange student) and gained one student, giving a total group of 183 in November.

Students gained knowledge about themselves, the great outdoors and their peers in the 8 day experience known as Outward Adventure, provided by Dekked Out Adventures or Explorus Adventure Learning.

Thirty nine students graduated from the Youth Driver Development Programme, while many students spent time in both work placement environments and TAFE, to equip them for their life after the College. Over twenty students have begun what we hope is a life-long activity of blood donating as an important part of being caring members of the "grown-up" community. This giving activity continues into Year Twelve when it is hoped more students will take up the opportunity to be unselfish, caring members of our society. As a requirement of Secondary Graduation, most of this Year 11 group have met the required 20 hours of Christian Service Learning, through a wide range of unpaid activities within the community. Some of our Year 11s were actively involved in the World Youth Day experience both here and in Sydney, while all students sat major examinations.

Best wishes for 2009 when you will truly be the senior students of the College.

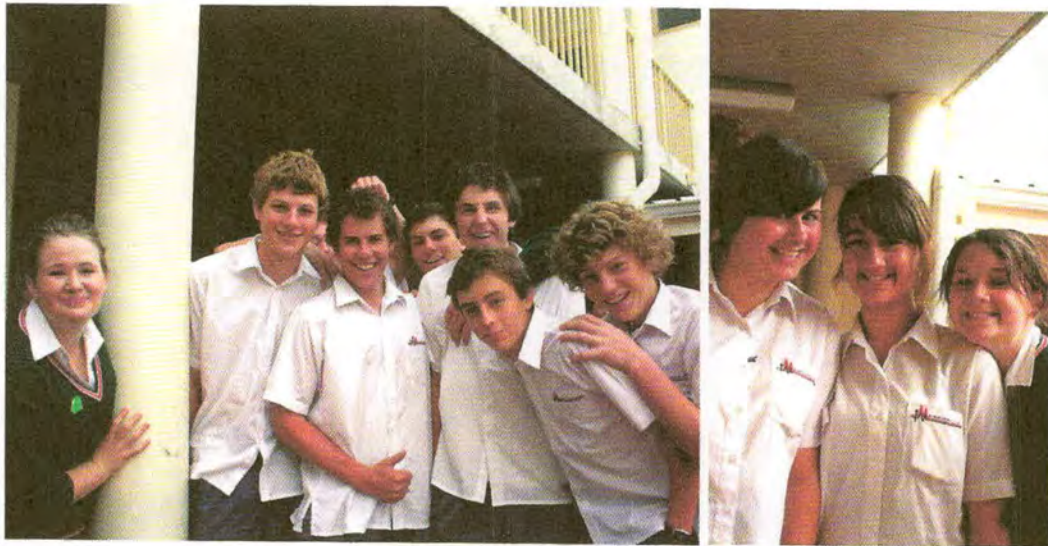
**Mr Frank Townsend**  
Year 11 Coordinator

The Year 11 House Leaders have been involved in a variety of activities in 2009, each requiring new leadership skills. We have attended a leadership impact course in Perth and sold Valentines Day Chocolates to raise money for Project Compassion. The Team has had a busy year and tried to run events that benefit the school and others. We have also endured our first year of exams and thoroughly enjoyed Outward Adventure.

#### Year 11 House Leaders



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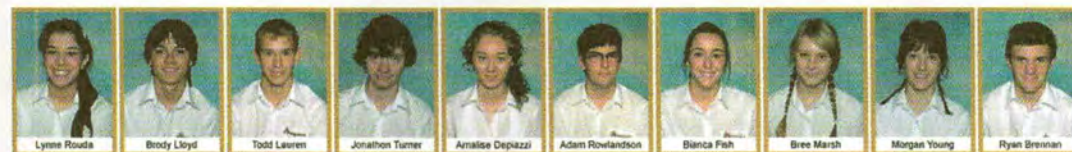
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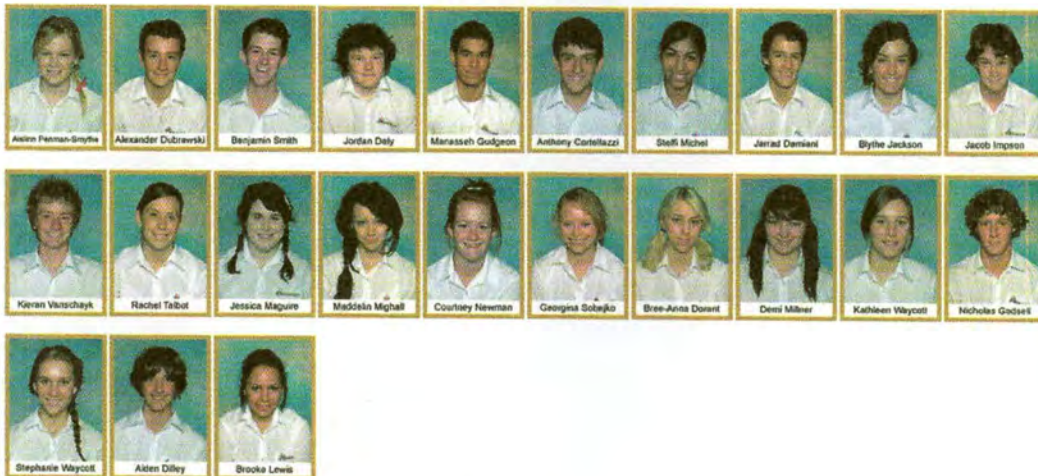
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2008 saw a very busy start to our last year of high school. Only two weeks into the school year our Year 12 ball was upon us. With months of preparation finally paying off we all enjoyed the night with the theme of this year's ball being "Winter Wonderland." To Ms. Mullane and the rest of the staff we offer our sincerest thanks for putting so much time, effort and energy into the night. Your hard work certainly didn't go unnoticed or unappreciated.

Another highlight of our year as leaders of Bunbury Catholic College was the opportunity to participate in the Year 12 Retreat. Retreat was most certainly a time to look towards the year ahead and make goals for ourselves. The highlight of Retreat, it seemed for many year 12 students, was receiving their letter from their parents. For this we offer our thanks to our parents for taking the time out of your busy schedules to write to us.

Our last Feast Day, Sports Carnival and Swimming Carnival were events that were of the utmost importance to the Year 12s this year, with all students contributing in one way or another. As this was our last year we were all desperate to make all three of these events as successful as they could be. A great deal of this success, especially with the Swimming and Athletics Carnival, is a tribute to the outstanding work of the Year 12 house leaders. We thank you for all of your hard work and commitment.

A great number of the Year 12 students this year participated in either the SAL program or participated in Work Experience. The SAL program enables students to attend TAFE and the workplace for two out of the five working days. The other three days were spent at school. This program was extremely beneficial to many of our students allowing them to form connections with employers outside of school. During the school year the Year 12 students travelled to Edith Cowan University in Bunbury to attend a number of seminars related to English. These seminars were conducted by specialists in the English department, and were extremely useful to us as year 12s studying for exams.

Finally as leavers of Bunbury Catholic College 2008, we organised to have jumpers made to commemorate our years at Bunbury Catholic College. Our planning of these jumpers started back in November 2007, and after months of voting on colours, styles and stitching the jumpers were finally sent to us in July. We would like to thank Ms. Mullane who was once again involved heavily in the decision and planning process for our leaver's jumpers.

We will look back on our final year of our schooling as one filled with many highs and lows. Each of us has learnt a great deal and now more than ever we are ready for the next step into the big wide world.

**Matthew Befumo and Natasha Carbone**



## Year 12 Co-ordinator's Report

"So just call on me brother, when you need a hand. We all need somebody to lean on"

These lyrics from the song "Lean On Me", sung by the Graduating Class of 2008 on their final day of high school, aptly represent the values evident amongst this diverse group of students. Their willingness to help their peers, staff and other students was inspiring.

While the efforts of the Year 12 student leaders throughout the year were outstanding, it was the everyday activities undertaken by a wide array of Year 12 students - such as helping in the canteen, officiating at sports carnivals, coaching junior teams, donating blood, assisting with tutorials and homework, raising funds for deserving causes - that demonstrated the true application of leadership and service by this year group as a whole.

It has been a privilege to be part of the Year 12 students' journey from the beginning of the year, where the School Ball was first and foremost on their minds, to their final days at Bunbury Catholic College, where they have sharpened their focus on assessments, exams and future study or career goals.

No doubt, as I discovered both the trials and pleasures of being a new Year Co-ordinator, the Year 12 student group have had similar experiences as their year progressed. The support the students and I received from the Year 12 Homeroom teachers and Year 12 teaching staff throughout the year has been tremendous and was greatly appreciated.

Like many others, my personal highlight of 2008 was the Year 12 Retreat. Those four days in May enabled the students to get to know each other far beyond their casual, schoolyard friendships and allowed them to explore the role of family, friends and faith in their lives. As described by one Year 12 student, Retreat was "an opportunity to grow, learn and develop who you are and your relationship with others. It lets you break down the barriers and be who you really are and who you aspire to become." Again it was a privilege to be a part of this exceptional Year 12 experience.

In the future, I look forward to meeting with the individuals who formed the Year 12 class of 2008 and discovering where the next step in their journey through life has taken them.

MRS SHENDELLE MULLANE

# Year 12



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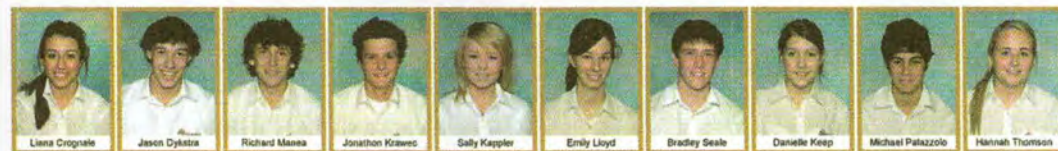
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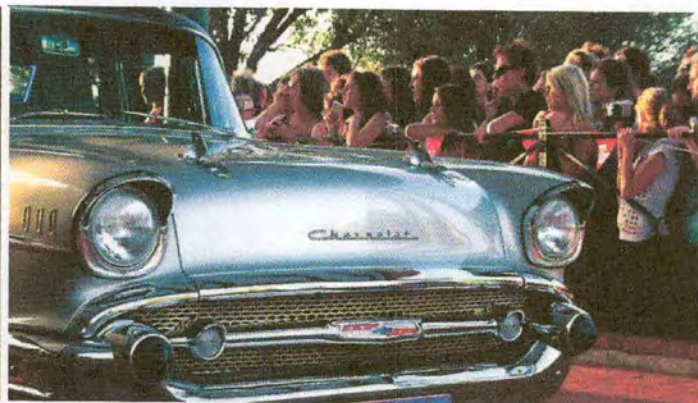
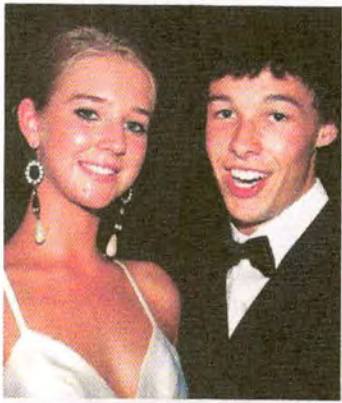
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