

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our Vision

Mercy Regional College serves a wide rural community which values growth and diversity in Catholic Education in the Mercy tradition.

Our Mission

In the Spirit of the Gospels we commit ourselves to the core values of community, inclusiveness, learning, care, justice and mercy, excellence and achievement.

Our Focus for 2012

Through the Mercy tradition we support, acknowledge and strive for personal excellence and achievement.

Greetings on this the last day of third term for 2012. This last week has again been a busy one at Mercy Regional College with the highlight of the week being the celebration of our first Mercy mass where the whole school gathered to remember Our Lady of Mercy and to give thanks for the past and ongoing work of the Sisters of Mercy. As reflected in the name of our school, the Sisters of Mercy played an enormous part in the early days of Catholic education in our district and there are few people my age and older in Western Victoria who would not have had the privilege of being educated by an indomitable, determined yet compassionate Sister of Mercy. Our prayer today (Ps 103) celebrates *misericordia* or Mercy of God:

*The Lord is kind and merciful;
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.
God and Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
in your unbounded mercy
you have revealed the beauty of your power
through your constant forgiveness of sins.
May the power of this love be in our hearts
to bring your pardon and your kingdom to all
we meet.
We pray with trust in you.*
Amen.

Thanks to all who contributed to the celebration of our Eucharist but especially to Fr. Matthew and Fr. Gerry, our College chaplains, to Mr. Luke Bouchier and Ms. Janet Backhaus for their leadership of the music and choir and to Mrs. Jo-Anne Saunders, who despite being on leave overseas managed to have everything prepared and ready to go.

Changes to the College Newsletter

After speaking to a number of people across the College community, I have decided to trial a significant change to the format and distribution of the College newsletter.

We made a decision last year to move to an electronic and web-based form of the College newsletter as the preferred means of circulation. However, I am interested in whether there is still a need for some form of regular 'paper-based' College newsletter that includes the key school dates for the next two weeks and a summary of what is in the longer, comprehensive electronic form.

As a result, next term families will continue to receive their emailed web-based newsletter but will also receive a single A4 paper bulletin. The bulletin will go home with the youngest sibling of each family attending Mercy at the same time as the full version is emailed. I will be seeking feedback from the community on this trial during next term.

Central Australia Trip

Very early on Wednesday morning this week, more than 90 Mercy students and staff boarded two Christians' coaches to begin the College's biannual Central Australia trip. As I write this article they are on their way into the South Australian outback and the opal mining town of Coober Pedy, we wish them a safe and fun-filled journey and look forward to the photos and reports on their return. Many parents and friends will be able to follow their progress on the school Central blog that has been set up.

Announcement of 2013 Student Leaders

At the whole-school assembly which followed Tuesday's Mercy Mass, the 2013 Mercy Regional College Year 12 student leaders were announced.

Congratulations to Mr. Luke Bouchier who coordinated the election process and to all students who nominated for a position, I am very excited about what they will bring to the school and its community over the next twelve months.

The 2013 student leaders will be invested formally at the next whole school assembly early in Term 4.

College Captains:

Louis Hickey
Genevieve Lee

College Vice-Captains:

Jesse Gaut
Paige Gibson

Social Justice Captains:

Toby McKenzie
Verity Watt

Communications Captains:

Matthew O'Brien
Liana Collins

Sports Captains:

Alex Moloney
Grace Lee

House Captains:

Tindley:	Ellie Moloney & Rachael Gibson
Ryan:	Kayla Spicer & Brooke White
Frayne:	Georgia Anderson & Peta McDonald
Markey:	Ella Woodmason & Nathan Bailey

Student Achievements

This week's whole school assembly provided an opportunity to publically congratulate a large number of students who have achieved excellence across a range of endeavours this term.

The activities and students recognized included:

- Mathematics Challenge
- UNSW Science Competition
- Australian Geography Competition
- English Competition
- Tournament of Minds

I was especially pleased to see so many students achieving commendable results in these national subject competitions and encouraged all students to pursue their personal best in their school work.

- Recognition of students assisting at 2013 Year 7 Transition Days
- Seeds of Justice South West - Verity Watt and Anya McKenzie detailed the activities, challenges and rewards of attending the recent Mercy social justice conference.
- MRC Equestrian Team – Last Friday, seven Mercy students competed at the Warrnambool Inter School Equestrian Championships. We did very well with Meaghan Bone placing 4th, Angus Place coming 3rd, Elle Price placing 5th and Stephanie Hibburt coming 1st in Grade 2. We also did very well in the team competition, winning overall. Our team was Ericka Grant, Myself, Angus Place and Meaghan Bone. Successful competitors received medals and the team returned to school with the overall competition shield.
- Middle School Awards
- VCAL Community involvements
- Elizabeth Smart – Appointment as national Lions Youth of the Year ambassador.

Car Raffle

This year is the 38th year of the Mercy Regional College Car Raffle. The car raffle is certainly now the most important fund-raising effort of our PTFA.

A flyer on page 14 outlines all this year's prizes. The College is very grateful to the providers of raffle prizes for their generosity. Where possible it would certainly be appreciated if our school community could support these businesses.

I look forward to a very successful car raffle result, which can be easily achieved if **ALL** families work together to sell their book of raffle tickets and attend their rostered time for selling tickets. If you are unable to attend your time, please make a swap for a more suitable time with another parent on the roster.

The Roster for selling tickets for the next few weeks is on pages 15 & 16.

Start of Term 4

With students finishing Term 3 at 2.15 pm today, we will return for Term 4 as normal on Monday 8th October. I wish all students, parents, staff and members of the broader Mercy Regional College community a safe, restful and enjoyable school holiday period.

Yours in Mercy,



DR. DARREN EGBERTS
PRINCIPAL

Deputy Principal Wellbeing

Mr. Kerin Glennen

On Monday 10th September a group of 10 students including Tyler Evers, Alex Moloney, Jesse Gaut, Sharni Moloney, Tyson Whytcross, Molly Rix, Laura Mason, Amy Gaut, Brooke White and Kayla Spicer travelled to Warrnambool to be involved in the P.A.R.T.Y (Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth) program. The focus of the program was to inform students between the ages of 16 and 17 about injury and of the risks, so participants are able to recognise potential injury-producing situations and are able to make decisions to minimise risk.

When we arrived we all gathered together as a group with the 5 other schools and had an introduction talk. This involved nurses, doctors and paramedics from the Alfred and Warrnambool base hospital talking about their roles and their experiences in their field.

We then separated into our school groups and were involved in 5 different rotations all focusing on different areas. These included learning First Aid, being exposed to the different types of equipment they use in emergency situations including the Intensive Care Unit, how to manage a safe party and minimise risks, re-enactments of different situations where we had to be treated appropriately.

We had a short lunch break and then all came together as a big group after every school had been through all of the rotations. We had a guest speaker come in who had been involved in a car accident at a very young age. He was paraplegic from his neck down and was sharing with us what his life is like and how dramatically things can change in the blink of an eye!

Altogether the day was very eye opening and gave everyone an insight into the consequences of the choices that we make day to day!

Work Experience 2013

As the term is coming to an end so is the time line for Year 9 students to have their Work Experience organised for February 2013.

Each student needs to hand in their Work Experience forms, a permission slip, Medical Form and Tax File information. All students were given a pack with these forms in it. If they have misplaced any of these forms, extra forms are available from the College office. All forms need to be returned to the office **NO later than Friday 2nd November**.

All the students information will then be collated, all 340 pages and this needs to be done before a student can attend Work Experience which is compulsory for Year 10 students.

All students are aware of what is required of them; I thank all the students/parents who have already returned their information to the office.

Please help us to complete this task so that your son or daughter is prepared for their Work Experience in 2013.

If you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact either Mrs. Maureen Adeney or myself.

Your support is appreciated regarding this matter.

Thank You.

Mr. Kerin Glennen

Library News

Mrs. Maureen O'Loughlan

Manager of Learning Resource Centres

858 – yes - it seems like an unbelievable number !

Even more so when you discover that this is how many books our incredible Premier's Reading Challenge participants read.

Over the past five months our challengers have been busy reading and enjoying a wide selection of books which enabled them to register this amazing amount. Congratulation to all our challengers, as each person was successful in completing the challenge.

Certificates will be awarded next term and an excursion to celebrate this achievement is currently being organized.

Well done!

Special thanks also must go to Mrs. Leesa Henriksen for being her usual positive and encouraging self!



Shrine of Remembrance Trip

Mrs. Chamon Vogels

A deep yearning to locate the final resting place of his Great Great Uncle Harry formed the moving story for Tim Whitford's presentation to our Year 8 students this week. Mr. Whitford, from the Shrine of Remembrance, grew up in South Gippsland and often heard his Nanna talking fondly of her Uncle Harry. His Nanna nursed a broken heart because years before, her Harry; a young soldier, lost his life within three weeks of joining the Australian Army.

Mercy students listened intently to Tim's incredible journey.

It was France, and The Battle of Fromelles was in full force. The 5th Australian division, with a 12,000 strong-contingent, was to rise at dawn and cross no-man's land towards the enemy front line. But, the insatiable Germans were waiting with excellent defensive soldiers. The German machine guns fired and Aussie diggers fell like teeth being knocked off a comb. It took twelve months to build a brigade and only seven minutes to destroy it. The bodies would remain on the unforgiving field until the end of the war. Harry was one of those statistics. Amongst gunfire and grenades his life was snuffed out. Hundreds of comrades suffered the same fate. Grave recovery units gave fallen men some dignity, and grieving loved ones some peace of mind. It wouldn't be until the turn of the next century that Harry's Great Great nephew, a previous soldier himself, would uncover a minor tragedy.

Tim, who had served in the Australian Army, was now working for the British Armed Forces. He was posted in north-west Germany, and on a weekend off, decided to visit what he thought was Harry's grave. Standing at a French Commonwealth cemetery with 400 plus names, there was one important name missing. Why wasn't Harry listed on the memorial plaque? It initially took Tim down a path of pure frustration and disappointment. He eventually found two others in a similar predicament; all wanting to search for loved ones missing in action. From visiting London's Imperial War Museum to studying photographic evidence of the Battle of Fromelles lands, would years of hard work eventually pay off? A dug-out trench covered with decades of natural growth would eventually come under the radar of Tim's search party. It was here that Australian war medals were amazingly unearthed; the missing pieces to a complicated puzzle. Astonishingly, they were Harry's precious medals. It signalled the end to Tim's long complicated journey. Because what lay underneath the important treasure find was the final remains of long lost Harry.

Year 8 students were enthralled with Tim Whitford's journey. "I couldn't believe that he actually got to find

his Great Great Uncle when thousands of bodies were buried in mass graves," Emily Battistello said.

Whilst fellow classmate Alexander Walter was able to relish in his love of war history. "It was great to learn more about the Battle of Fromelles."



Frayne Speech Festival Report

Mr. Lachie Lee

"The Frayne Speech Festival was established in 1996 and is named for Mother Ursula Frayne, leader of the first group of Sisters of Mercy to arrive in Australia from Ireland in 1846. In 1857 she established Academy of Mary Immaculate, Fitzroy, the first Catholic Secondary school for girls in Victoria. The Festival is a gathering of students from schools, founded in the tradition of Mercy education. It provides an opportunity for spirited competition in debating, public speaking and voice choir. The festival exhibits excellent speakers and fosters a sense of unity across the schools." So states the rule book for this year's festival held at St Joseph's College Mildura on Friday 24th August 2012.

Mercy Regional College was well represented at this year's Festival by a group of seven Year 11 students. Matthew O'Brien and Genevieve Lee competed in the public speaking section. Matthew spoke on the topic, 'Preserving Language' and Genevieve's subject was 'Rock the Boat'. Both performed admirably against accomplished speakers a number of whom were quite experienced in public speaking.

Our debating team of Liana Collins, Laura Mason, Caitlin Wallis, Ellie Moloney and Daniel Leversha also performed very well against stiff competition. Round 1 centered on the topic 'Shopping online is not detrimental to the economy'. Our team spoke in the negative on this topic against Notre Dame College, Shepparton. In round 2 we then spoke against St Aloysius College, North Melbourne, in the affirmative, on the topic 'There is no such thing as a just war'. The team debated these topics well and certainly held their own in the competition.

Much work went into preparation of the topics by the students. They met twice weekly in the months leading up to the competition and the experience of public speaking and debating in a public forum will certainly hold them in good stead in the future. This commitment also extended to them having to miss two days of school and arriving home at about 10pm on the Friday night.

To that end, I would also like to thank Fr. Matthew, Ms. Ella McPhee and Dr. Egberts for taking the students to Mildura and for their keen support and care over the two days. It would not have been possible for our students to be part of this valuable experience without their help.

Finally, I will finish this report with the words of one of our team, Liana Collins: "The Frayne Speech Festival is a great experience; I would advise it to anyone wanting to try something new, branch out of their comfort zone and develop new friendships and skills."



Instrumental Concert Report

Ms. Janet Backhous

On Thursday the 6th September the Mercy Community had the pleasure of listening to many talented musicians. Students and teachers joined together on the night to showcase their talent.

The evening began with a performance of Beatles songs by Mr. Peter Sharp, Mr. Luke Bouchier and Mr. Tony Forbes. At this point the audience had only a taste of the talent and musicianship to come.

With 20 performances there was a wide selection of instruments, from Guitars to Double Bass, Piano, Voice and Choir, Flute and Saxophone. The standard of performance was exceptional and the evening was relaxed and friendly.

The night ended with a supper and parents, students and teachers had a chance to discuss and share their enjoyment of the performances.

Congratulations must go to all the students who participated on the night. You have all worked hard to develop your skills and we thoroughly enjoyed your performances.

It was a wonderful night, and on behalf of the students I would like to thank all the staff who worked to help their students develop and perform.

Special thanks must go to:

Mr. Peter Sharp - Guitar Teacher

Mrs. Michelle Mackinnon – Piano and Choir Teacher

Mr. Tony Forbes - Guitar Teacher

Ms. Kelly Kerr – Flute and Saxophone Teacher

Mr. Luke Bouchier – Singer and Guitarist

Mrs. Annette Price - Supper and Drinks

Mr. Mark Evans - setting up MPA

Mrs. Jenni Lenahan – Program

Mr. Brendon Norman and Mrs. Freya Egberts – for assisting on the night.

Thank you all. It was a wonderful evening.



Dom Cavasan and Jennifer Rowan



Mercy Running Club

Members

will participate in the "Bank of Melbourne Marathon on Sunday 14th October. Good luck to all staff, students and parents involved.



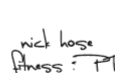
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Street Retreat No 7 Report

How would you feel if you didn't know where you might sleep tonight? It's winter and the temperature has dropped to about 3 degrees – freezing! Haven't eaten since this time last night when the St. Vinnies van stopped nearby.

This is the dilemma faced by many people living on the streets in Melbourne. Young and old, men and women, a variety of nationalities who live rough in many parts of Melbourne.

Street Retreat turned out to be completely different to what I thought it would be. It was a real eye- opener! So many people who were happy to get a hot cup of soup and a sandwich – they reminded us how fortunate we are.

Cameron Spence, 11A

Street Retreat was a very different, but fulfilling experience. To see young people just like us, wandering the streets looking for maybe their first feed of the day when it was almost dark, was very confronting. It made me grateful for the life I have.

Alex Moloney, 11A

Making sandwiches, loading the vans and helping to distribute the food was an exercise in team building for the Year 11 students and staff from MRC. It was an opportunity to listen to Br. Doug describe the day-to-day operations of the Vinnies team, based in North Melbourne. He explained that the vans had been going out every evening for the past 35 years – an amazing effort – coordinated by an equally amazing band of volunteers.

The logistics of the whole operation is mind-boggling! It was heart-warming to see our students rise to the challenge of helping needy people of all ages, by extending the hand of friendship and sharing a conversation.

Mrs. Maureen O'Loughlan & Mr. Kerin Glennen



Say it to my Facebook

Report by: Beth O'Sullivan and Molly Bourke

The Middle School was presented with a performance by a company named 'Shake & Stir'.



They performed a play called 'Say it to my Facebook'. True stories were taken from the victims of bullies from a range of schools across Australia. The stirring production investigates the countless problems of Internet addictions including; Form spring, Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, Google, MSN, texting, emailing, blogging and photo tagging.

Two actors took on a series of different roles to play out the lives of the targets of Cyber-bullying. These scenarios included:

- Excluding people who had different interests and had nasty comments about them written all over the internet using social media sites.
- Peer Pressure where a boy was highly encouraged to make a Facebook page about a school teacher. This led to huge chaos where one has to take the blame and ownership of the page, realizing the damage it has on not only the victim but everyone emotionally connected.

Trusting strangers through cyber games can also be a huge risk as you don't actually know who you are talking to. As well as carrying out the roles of the people who had experienced negative activities over the internet, they left us students thinking a little bit harder before sitting down at the computer or pulling out our mobile phones.

As a student body, we now realize how important it is that our safety and reputation is protected in the Cyber World and that it can be so easily destroyed by a single meaningless or meaningful comment. We are now all aware that we have to use these social media sites properly and with the respect not only for ourselves but for the people we may or may not be connected with.

Career Information

Keeper for a Day @ Healesville Sanctuary this holidays will focus on 'Babies' with aspiring keepers getting a glimpse into hand-raising baby animals and the everyday job that keepers do.

For secondary students, Years 7-12. Sept 25, 26, 27, Oct 2, 3, 4. <http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day> Bookings: 9285 9406.

Steve Parish Wildlife Photography @ Healesville Sanctuary. World renowned wildlife photographer, Steve Parish, is conducting his popular full day student photography workshops at Healesville Sanctuary in October.

For secondary students, Yrs 7-12. October 16, 17, 18 http://www.zoo.org.au/Learning/Programs/Student_Conferences/Steve_Parish Bookings: 9285 9406

Christian Outreach Program

Mrs. Sharyn Grinter

Jack Kenna conducting a footy clinic with Grade 1 students from St Thomas' Primary School.



Thomas Carr Exchange Report

On Monday the 27th August Emma Lucas, Jacoba Mungean, Annie Kenna, Lily Lourey, Meg Lenehan, Alistair Huth, Caitlin Williams, Mollie Gaut, Jordyn Hickey and myself (Angus Place) boarded a bus going to Thomas Carr. This is a school in Tarneit, Werribee that our school has done exchange with for 12 years. This year the ten students above had the privilege of being chosen to go and represent our school.

When we got to Thomas Carr we met our exchange student, they were all so nice. We then had lunch with them and they took us on a tour of their MASSIVE school. That afternoon we went home with our exchange students, we met their families and they were all so kind.

On the 28th we went to Thomas Carr and boarded a bus and drove to the city. We were dropped off at the Queen Victoria Markets where we were given an hour and a half to go nuts.

When our time was up we walked to the Eureka Sky Deck, all of us piled into an elevator and were on the 81st floor in 34 seconds we got to the top and looked out over the amazing rooftops of Melbourne and right out to sea. We also got the opportunity to go out on the edge it was amazing to be standing on glass that high up without any safety equipment. After our amazing time up on the sky deck we got back in the elevators and gathered together down the bottom of the tower.

We then walked to South Wharf where we could eat lunch or go shopping. We then met the bus and drove back to Thomas Carr where we went home for our last night.

Anyone thinking of volunteering to go on the Thomas Carr experience I urge you to do so. It is so much fun, you get to do amazing things and meet amazing people, I know we will all keep in touch with the Exchange students considering the amount of fun we had during the experience and to those who didn't do it you don't know what you're missing out on!

Report by: Angus Place

It was good in Werribee but I missed the stars and my animals. On the Wednesday we woke up and had to get on a bus and head back to Noorat. We stopped off at Winchelsea and had a run around and another one at Camperdown.

When we got to Noorat everybody wanted to know everything about our people. We had lunch then we went for a drive to Terang and up to Mt Noorat. We went home and I had dancing, so Lauren came with me and she enjoyed it so much.

The next day, on Thursday, we went to Hopkins Falls, Cheese World for a milkshake/thickshake and then to the Twelve Apostles, which was where Lauren and I got picked up and taken Home. At home we went on the motorbikes, fed the calves, milked the cows and played with all my animals. Lauren absolutely loved it because she only has one animal.

Then the saddest day of my life was on that Friday when we had to say goodbye because Lauren and I were so close we were like long lost sisters. So I had a fantastic time and so did everyone, it's kind of like a one-off opportunity and if you're considering it, I say go for it. It's amazing.

Report by: Jacoba Mungean

Thomas Carr Exchange PHOTOS



REMINDER TO PARENTS

School Fee Accounts

Parents are reminded that school fee accounts are due to be paid:

TODAY

Friday, 21st September, 2012

Payment of outstanding amounts (excluding those that are on a payment plan) may be made by one of the following options:

- **Cash / Cheque / Credit Card in person at the McAuley Campus office.**
- **Cheque / Credit Card notification by mail.**
- **Direct Credit into NAB account in person at a branch or via Internet Banking.**

Mercy Regional College account details are as follows:

National Australia Bank

BSB number 083 526

Account number 5288 99931

Thank you to all parents who have met this deadline already and to those who will after completing their payment plans.

Mrs. Lynn Wadley - Business Manager

Along the track

The Waking Moon

Charlie lived next to the small country primary school where I began my education. I often used to talk to this old retired farmer as he tended his ever increasing and prolific vegetable patch. I once asked him the secret of his very obvious success and he told me that he always planted new seeds 'by the waking moon'. It certainly worked. That expression has always intrigued me, mostly as a reminder not to lose touch with nature, the earth beneath our feet.

Coming from a farm, we learnt to read the signs that nature provided virtually every day. For Charlie, the waking moon brought with it the signs of new life. The farmers in the district watched for the signs that told them when to plant crops, the signs that pointed to a safe and productive lambing season, clouds that warned of impending storms. Their livelihood depended on being in touch with nature. Jesus spoke often of the world around him – the seasons, the sunrises and sunsets, the birds of the air, the lilies of the field, harvesting the crops and fishing in the sea. It was a language his audience well understood. He spoke of the cycles of the seasons, the time for harvesting, how shepherds were alert to the weather and the seasons as they worked at their craft.

Nature teaches us many lessons. Firstly, creation is a dynamic process, still continuing, still growing. Michael Leunig, in one of his prayers writes:

Across the difficult terrain of our existence we have attempted to build a highway and in so doing we have lost our footpath. God, lead us to our footpath; lead us there where in simplicity we may move at the speed of natural creatures and feel the earth's love beneath our feet. Lead us there where step-by-step we may feel the movement of creation in our hearts. And lead us there where side-by-side we may feel the embrace of the common soul.

The movement of creation is such a rich expression – creation is not a one-off event so many millennia ago. God began this process of creation and it is still happening. Creation did not spring forth complete from the hands of the Creator but rather it is in a state a journey.... *God guides his creation toward its perfection yet to be attained* (Glossary, *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #302).

There is a second lesson. As I write I am watching an artist and two quilters at work. It is easy to see how they have been created and gifted by a very generous God. Each of us has been gifted in our own way, each of us is asked by God to use those gifts so that together we might bring creation to its perfection. We share in God's creativity. That's partly what being made in God's

image means. Jesus' parables about the talents ([Mt 25:14-30](#)) is not just about our need to use our God given talents but also reminder that each of us has them!

To watch old Charlie at work, planting his seeds by the waking moon, reaping the harvest of the seasons, nurturing the earth that grew his many and varied vegetables, it was easy to see his part in the creative process. We too have a hand in this process, not just the care or stewardship of creation but feeling the movement of creation in our hearts begins when we recognise that we each have been gifted in quite unique ways in order that we might share in the journey of creation, that God's creative Spirit is at work within each of us. Step by step, talent by talent we work together to bring creation to perfection, not just as artists or quilters or artisans but creation needs many skills, many talents, many labourers in the vineyard of life, to coin a phrase. Each of us has been gifted for a purpose. When we recognise that together we share in this God-given labour, together we share in the stewardship of God's creation, we come to share a solidarity with one another, a common purpose – we feel the embrace of the common soul.

Leunig continues his prayer:

Nothing can be loved at speed. God lead us to the slow path; to the joyous insights of the pilgrim...

That's nature's third lesson. Taking the slow path is an important part of the rhythm of life. Nature teaches us that. There are times when creation itself seems to slow down, to rest, to draw breath. The slow path allows for reflection, for enjoying life, for enjoying who we are and what we do, what we create. That is one of the joyous insights of the pilgrim. Pilgrims are traditionally considered to be people who take a journey, sometimes arduous and taxing, sometimes inspiring and uplifting to visit sacred sites and places and, in the process, along the way to look within and discover something about themselves and their relationship with God. Our pilgrimage through life takes on a similar journey. Sometimes our journey takes us through times and places of joy and fulfilment, other times we are confronted with sadness, anger, we feel we are pushing bricks up a mountain. Discovering the pilgrimage's message requires a slow path, time for quiet reflection, time for connection with creation because it is also through creation that God and God's invitation to friendship is revealed to us.

Regards
Jim Quillinan

Phone: 0401 933 023
Email: jquillinan@dcsi.net.au

Coming Dates

TERM 3

Friday 21 September

- * Central Australia trip
- * Term 3 ends @ 2:15pm

TERM 4

Monday 08 October

- * Term 4 commences for staff and students

Wednesday 10 October

- * Year 9 Camp - Melbourne

Thursday 11 October

- * Year 9 Camp - Melbourne

Friday 12 October

- * Year 9 Camp - Melbourne

Saturday 13 October

- * Melbourne Marathon Running Club

Sunday 14 October

- * Melbourne Marathon Running Club

Tuesday 16 October

- * Ordination of Bishop Peter Bird will take place at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat @ 11:30 AM
- * MRC Board Meeting 7:30 PM Camperdown

Wednesday 17 October

- * Year 7 & 8 Super 8s Cricket

Thursday 18 October

- * Junior Debating in Geelong (3:45 - 9:30PM)

Friday 19 October

- * State Championship Cycling - Carlton
- * Ms Audrey Brown (Director of CEO Ballarat) to visit O'Keeffe Campus 9:30 - 10:30 AM

Public Notices

TIMBOON & DISTRICT JUNIOR TENNIS

Tennis seedings to be held at Timboon Recreation Reserve Saturday 13th October @ 9:30am.
All players wanting to play to attend.
Competition starting on Saturday 20th October.
Any interested players unable to attend seedings to ring Katrina Currell on 5598 3443.

COPRICE COBDEN SPRING FESTIVAL

October 19-21, 2012

Friday 19th

Movie "Submarine" – 7.30pm

John's Shed, Cobden Tech School

Rated M. \$5 entry, \$20 family.

Saturday 20th

Duck Race – Cobden Lake – 2.30pm

\$5 per duck, purchase from

Cobden Creative Health

"Big Night Out" – 7.30pm-Midnight

Cobden Golf Club - \$15

Featuring junior magician, Tim Mason
and "The Gents"

Bookings 5595 1850

Segway Rides

Saturday Cobden Primary School

Sunday Cobden Technical School

For more festival info

www.cobdenspringfestival.com.au

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Volunteer to host an international high school student in February 2013 through Southern Cross Cultural Exchange and prepare to be amazed at the way this unique and rewarding opportunity helps your family to become closer, to understand themselves better and to see the world in a new light.

Carefully selected students will arrive in February for one or two semesters from France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan, Colombia, Canada and the U.S.A. They will attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Visit us at our website www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request a selection of international student profiles to check out, and capture the spirit of family and friendship.

WANTED

General Farm Hand. Sheep Farm requires a part-time worker from mid-November, 2012.

Phone: 5595 9252 or 0417 959 252

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PARENTS, TEACHERS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**

CAR RAFFLE

1st Prize – Ford Focus Ambiente Hatch



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2nd Prize - Travel Voucher **Value \$2000**
Supplied Courtesy of Harvey World Travel, Camperdown

3rd Prize - Electrical Voucher **Value \$1000**
Supplied Courtesy of Camperdown Retravisio

4th Prize - Nutrimetics Pamper Pack **Value \$250**
Supplied Courtesy of Helen Bourke, Kolora

5th Prize – Fuel Voucher **Value \$250**
Supplied Courtesy of Riordan Fuels (Steven Lucas BP Camperdown)

6th Prize - Jewellery Voucher **Value \$200**
Supplied Courtesy of Showcase Jewellers, Camperdown / Colac

7th Prize - Clothing Voucher **Value \$200**
Supplied Courtesy of Fashion Club Wear

8th Prize - Dinner Voucher **Value \$100**
Supplied Courtesy of Madden's Bar & Bistro, Camperdown

TICKETS STILL ONLY \$10.00

Drawn 14th November, 2012 at 8.30 p.m.
At the Mercy Regional College Arts Night

CAR RAFFLE ROSTER 2012

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SATURDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER	SIMPSON (Car)	9.00 - 10.00	Stephen / Janet Cain Ian / Ann-Maree Johnson John / Tania Jansen van Beek Chris / Brenda Huffadine Byron / Debbie Smethurst	5594 3378 5598 7351 5598 8256 5598 8084 5598 7315	0427 451 141 0429 987 351 0428 988 084 0417 538 837
		10.00 - 11.00			
		11.00 - 12.00			
	CAMPERDOWN	7.30 MASS	Michael / Kim McKenzie	5593 2953	0409 962 148
SUNDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER	CAMPERDOWN	11.00 MASS	Wayne / Rose Henry	5593 2862	0408 562 337
	SIMPSON (Car)	9.00 MASS	Anthony / Jillian O'Connor	5594 3290	0439 943 298
FRIDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER	COBDEN	10.00 - 11.00	Glenn / Kerry Cain	5595 1176	0417 119 767
		11.00 - 12.00	Adam / Jodie Collins	5595 1246	0409 909 260
		12.00 - 1.00	Martin / Nicole Darcy	5595 2085	0438 952 084
		1.00 - 2.00	Craig / Tanya Davis	5595 2074	0419 387 462
	TERANG	9.30 - 11.30	Michelle / Pat Bourke Melissa / Darren Bell	5592 5493 5591 0223	0400 282420 0438 390 923
		11.30 - 1.30	Bill / Frances Cornelissen Nick / Donna Blain	5592 1465 5592 5448	0438 676339 0437 925 448
1.30 - 3.30		Peta / Gerard Darcy Janet / Mick O'Connor	5592 2115 5592 5410	0408 651 807 0418 995 468	
SATURDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER	COBDEN	9.00 - 10.00	Craig / Kim Anderson	5595 1848	0458 951 848
		10.00 - 11.00	Scott / Kerry Guthrie	5595 9226	0410 043 213
		11.00 - 12.00	James / Jan Green	5595 1757	0418 529 201
	MORTLAKE (Car)	9.00 - 10.00	Richard / Jo-Anne Barr	5599 5263	0427 997 245
		10.00 - 11.00	Rachelle Waters Anthony / Yolande Lunn	5599 2917 5599 2656	0428 414 540 0428 730 711
		11.00 - 12.00	Ian / Mariana Cameron Paul / Joanne Hill	5599 2414 5599 2446	0429 153 621 0428 646 995
		12.00 - 1.00	James / Jennifer Gray Gregory / Melinda Grant	5599 2798 5590 1230	0427 805 247 0429 901 230
		1.00 - 2.00	Peter / Jennifer Finnerty Meg Wareham	5599 2493 5599 2688	0428 524 770 0429 992 688
			Wesley / Heather Erwin	5599 2695	0427 992 695
	TERANG	7.30 MASS	Kate / Leon Watt	5591 0386	0448 509 072
SUNDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER	MORTLAKE	9.00 MASS	Jenny Phillips		
	TERANG	10.30 MASS	Geraldine / Ted Conheady	5592 5258	0428 528 835
TUESDAY 2ND OCTOBER	CAMPERDOWN RITCHIES IGA SUPERMARKET (Car)	9.30 - 11.30	Paul / Jane Kingston	5593 2210	0448 104 001
		11.30 - 1.30	Greg / Paula McKenzie John / Tracey Rix	5593 2041 5593 1163	0438 932 041
		1.30 - 3.30	Brian / Belinda Rowbottom Simon / Sarah Pollard	5593 9257 5593 1900	0409 939 257 0428 931 900
			Stephen / Danielle Daffy	5593 1598	0419 423 309
WEDNESDAY 3RD OCTOBER	TERANG TROTS (Car)	7.00 - 8.00	Jenni / Damien Lenehan	5592 1732	0418 544640
		8.00 - 9.00	Dianne / Shane Quirk	5592 5300	0418 523 233
FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER	TERANG (Car)	9.30 - 11.30	Dianne / Andrew Glennen Janine / Robert Carlin	5592 5314 5592 5117	0429 925 314 0408 507 160
		11.30 - 1.30	Glenice / Gerard Justin Marg / Wayne Cole	5592 1632 5592 1791	0438 921 632 0421 036 967
		1.30 - 3.30	Paul / Alison Gaut Carmel / Simon Bourke	5595 0315 5592 5479	0419 114 315 0417 202 005
	COBDEN	10.00 - 11.00	Greg / Jenny Free	5595 1454	0429 951 454
		11.00 - 12.00	Wayne / Kathryn Geddes	5595 2313	0427 983 337
12.00 - 1.00		David / Raylene Hallyburton	5595 1566	0419 223 746	
	1.00 - 2.00	Stephen / Joanne Hammond	5595 2036	0419 901 084	
SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER	TERANG	9.30 - 10.30	Kathy / Barry Stonehouse	5592 1095	0429 809710
		10.30 - 11.30	Jo / Shaun Moloney	5592 5487	0427 400 481
		11.30 - 12.30	Nick / Symone Moloney	5592 1741	0437 921 744
SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER	CAMPERDOWN CRAFT MARKET (Car)	9.00 - 10.30	David / Jenny Heath Monica Hickey	5594 8282	0408 100 394 0419 134 534
		10.30 - 12.00	Laurie / Annette Hickey Susan Belsar	5593 9285 5593 1425	0418 500 756 0488 341 412
		12.00 - 2.00	Jacinta Lee Anthony / Leanne Lucas	5593 2813 5593 3120	0419 931338 0400 167 628
TUESDAY 9TH OCTOBER	CAMPERDOWN SALEYARDS (Car)	10.00 - 11.30	Paul / Debra Marshman	5594 8254	0427 051 761

THURSDAY 11TH OCTOBER	CAMPERDOWN SAFEWAY SPERMARKET (Car)	9.30 - 11.30 11.30 - 1.30 1.30 - 3.30	Kellie Neal Bill / Julie Wallace Christopher / Mary Sinnott Stephen Spence / Kathy Richards Darren / Sharyn Spicer Paul / Joanne Stephens	5593 1136 5593 3116 5593 2511 5593 1430 5593 8256 5593 2471	0400 681 946 0429 031 100 0429 937 521 0458 115 713 0427 938 256 0409 942 471
SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER	TIMBOON	9.00 - 10.30 10.30 - 12.00	Newell Couch Tim Marwood / Caroline Simmons Bradley / Cheryl Francis Peter / Fiona Parker	5595 9216 5595 0390 5598 3319 5595 0115	0427 877 815 0407 684 086 0408 317 893 0428 987 614
	TERANG	7.30 MASS	Lisa / Louie Cavarasan	5591 0207	0438 910207
	CAMPERDOWN SHOW (Car)	9.30 - 11.30 11.30 - 1.30 1.30 - 3.30	Ashley / Leah Sinnott Peter / Donelda Conroy Peter / Tania Rowan Brad Martin / Penny O'Neill Barbara Groeneveld James / Sally Mahony	5593 3899 5595 4301 5593 2677 5593 2902 5593 9230	0429 139 558 0418 966 954 0417 146 241 0409 401 223 0408 369 044 0429 939 230
	CAMPERDOWN	7.30 MASS	Maureen Adeney	5593 3097	0409 210 336
SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER	TIMBOON MARKET (Car)	9.00 - 10.30 10.30 - 12.00 12.00 - 1.00	Jarrod / Natasha Neal Ashley Gunn / Teresa MacKinnon Piers McKenzie / Leeanne Evans Michael / Raelene Arundell Craig / Tina Saunders Murray / Sharyn Rhode	5598 3219 5598 3612 5598 3181 5598 3510 5598 3920 5598 3365	0437 628 289 0408 528 888 0417 983 000 0488 170 794 0407 983 921 0439 983 365
	TIMBOON	10.45 MASS	Tony / Catherine Krybolder	5595 0140	0427 950 275
	CAMPERDOWN	11.00 MASS	Darren / Freya Egberts		
	MORTLAKE	9.00 MASS	Peter / Leonie Quinn	5599 2435	0407 052 887
	TERANG	10.30 MASS	Kate / Ray Moloney	5592 5348	0407 568 571
THURSDAY 18TH OCTOBER	CAMPERDOWN RITCHIES IGA SUPERMARKET (Car)	9.30 - 11.30 11.30 - 1.30 1.30 - 3.30	Andrew / Sophie Wilson Mark Vallejo / Charmaine Uy Jason / Kerrie Walters Tony / Lisa Urek Peter / Jodie Jehu Geoff / Michelle Whytcross	5593 9309 5593 3104 5593 3398 5593 1753 5593 8290	0418 521 482 0406 853 755 0412 542 391 0409 932 016 0408 039 097 0418 504 327
FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER	COBDEN SPRING FESTIVAL (Car)	10.00 - 11.00 11.00 - 12.00 12.00 - 1.00 1.00 - 2.00	Stephen / Tracy Hickey Paul / Bernadette Hickey Graeme / Colleen Howarth Vanita Chamberlain / James Horan	5595 2015 5595 1941 5591 0305 5595 2049	0429 952 019 0409 523 494 0419 365 141 0423 332 565
SATURDAY 20TH OCTOBER	COBDEN SPRING FESTIVAL (Car)	9.00 - 10.00 10.00 - 11.00 11.00 - 12.00 12.00 - 1.00 1.00 - 2.00	Gerard / Wendy Gleeson Wayne / Trish Gibson Mark / Clare Jehu Beth Schultz Christine Stratford	5595 1784 5595 1610 5595 1088 5594 5369	0427 096 493 0408 529 501 0438 572 884 0458 200 645 0409 172 886
	TERANG	9.30 - 10.30 10.30 - 11.30 11.30 - 12.30	Anthony / Kerrie Crawley Peter / Arlene Coolahan Kym / Christine Mathew	5592 2429 5592 2445	0408 177 378 0434 357 955 0427 604 969
SUNDAY 21ST OCTOBER	DERRINALLUM TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET (Car)	10.00 - 12.00 12.00 - 2.00	Stephen / Angela Bignell Barry / Julie Osborne Robert Pemberton Gary / Cheryl Poole	5597 6613 5597 6757 5597 6592	0428 527 605 0409 526 911 0447 479 331 0408 503 366
TUESDAY 23RD OCTOBER	CAMPERDOWN SALEYARDS (Car)	10.00 - 11.30	Stephen / Elizabeth Place	5594 7238	0419 581 992
THURSDAY 25TH OCTOBER	FOODWORKS SUPERMARKET (Car)	9.30 - 11.30 11.30 - 1.30 1.30 - 3.30	Michael / Paula Duynhoven Anthony / Angelique Evans David / Angela Absalom Terence / Sharon Adlam Stephen / Fran Bateman David Bath / Anne Smith	5593 1649 5593 3520 5593 3489 5595 4207 5593 2020 5593 1596	0407 887 339 0408 937 383 0447 711 736 0437 339898 0407 052 685 0419 377 535
FRIDAY 26TH OCTOBER	CAMPERDOWN RITCHIES IGA SUPERMARKET	9.30 - 11.30 11.30 - 1.30 1.30 - 3.30	Adam / Danielle Harris Gary / Jennifer Alexander Dale / Mary Alexander David / Regina Beal Kim Tracey Simon / Sarah Pollard	5593 1546 5593 1974 5593 2692 5594 7208 5593 1900	0448 233 786 0400 607 718 0418 581 238 0431 026764 0427 131 931 0428 931 900

CAREER EVENTS

Term 3 Holidays

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY ADVISORY DAY

This event is for Year 12 students who may have missed the Open Day, are still unsure of what to study next year and/or are worried about their ATAR

La Trobe staff will be providing up to date information on courses, study pathways, accommodation and scholarships.

- Chat with staff and current students
- Find out about courses and applying
- Visit lecture rooms and facilities
- Have lunch in the huge food court
- Explore the campus at your leisure.

Melbourne campus: Tuesday 25 September
Bendigo campus: Thursday 27 September

To register, go to
www.latrobe.edu.au/events/2012/advisory-day-at-the-melbourne-campus



SWINBURNE INFORMATION SESSIONS

The Faculty of Design at Swinburne are running information evenings for future students and their parents, who may have missed their Open Day. You will be able to find out about the following courses-

- Design/Business double degree
- Digital Media Design
- Film and Television
- Communication Design
- Applied Graphic Design
- Industrial Design
- Interior Design
- Product Design Engineering



Sessions will be held on 25, 26 and 27 September.

For information about sessions and to register, go to www.swinburne.edu.au/design/information-evening/

RMIT MECHATRONICS DAY

This event is for students in Years 10 – 12 and will be held at the Bundoora Campus, Thursday 27 September



Mechatronics is the integration of mechanical and electronic engineering to produce new devices and systems to improve technology. Examples include: robots, car controls, traffic systems and elevators.

Students will participate in:

- A computer vision workshop
- The robotino competition, and
- Experiment with programmable logic controllers.

Register online at
www.rmit.edu.au/aeromecheng/mechatronicsday



CAREER DISCOVERY @ RMIT

DISCOVER YOUR CAREER AT RMIT!

Attend a Career Discovery course and get an insight into a particular design industry, the study options available and the selection procedures.

You will experience projects and exercises particular to a design area in a typical studio or workshop setting. Courses will be offered in many areas, including the following:

- Folio Development
- Advertising
- Building Design/ Drawing
- Graphic Design
- Interior Decoration
- 3D Product Design
- Visual Merchandising
- AutoCAD



For more information or to enroll, please go to
<http://mams.rmit.edu.au/vk2yvko79x3r1.pdf>

INFORMATION DAY, BALLARAT UNI/ TAFE

The University of Ballarat are running two information days for students and their families who missed the Open Days in August.

You will be able to explore the campus, speak to current students and lecturers and find out about what Ballarat University/ TAFE can offer

Thursday 27 September and Tuesday 2 October

www.ballarat.edu.au/future-students/open-day/september-tours2



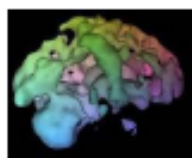
NUCLEAR MEDICINE DAY, RMIT

Have you ever considered Nuclear Medicine?

In collaboration with the Nuclear Medicine (NM) departments that support their Bachelor Applied Science (Medical Radiations) program, RMIT has arranged FREE department visits for year 11-12 students interested in finding out more about NM and the role NM Technologists play in the investigation, diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of disease.

The events will be held Thursday 27 September and Friday 28 September at St Vincent's Hospital or the Austin.

You must register by Monday 12 September at www.rmit.edu.au/medical-radiations/nucmedvisits



DISCOVER DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

Students and their families who missed Open Day can attend the Discover Deakin events at each of their campuses on Tuesday 25 September.

You can

- Participate in a campus tour
- Attend information sessions
- Speak to current students and lecturers.

Each event runs for about 2 hours. For more information and to book, go to

www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/campus-tours/discover.php



ACCESS ALL AREAS- MELBOURNE UNI

All students in years 10 and 11 have the opportunity to attend the Access All Areas program at the University of Melbourne on Thursday 27 September. You will be able to learn about-

- Courses and careers including the new generation Melbourne undergraduate degrees and graduate pathways
- Unique opportunities to enrich your degree such as concurrent diplomas, going on exchange and study abroad or participating in community involvement activities
- Access Melbourne and Melbourne Scholarships
- Accommodation options
- Participate in interactive workshops

For more information, go to

www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/accessallareas



ACADEMY OF INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Love gaming? The Academy of Interactive Entertainment in Melbourne is running three 2-day workshops during the school holidays in game art, game development and game programming.

Dates are as follows-

- October 1 & 2: Mega Galaxy Master
- October 1 & 2: Sculpt-a-saurus (1 & 2)
- October 4 & 5: Game Mutator

For information about cost and location, go to www.aie.edu.au

Gaming Industry Experience Day: The Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE) in Melbourne is running a free game development Industry Experience Day on Wednesday 3 October. For more information, please email Rebecca O'Donnell at AIE, melbourne@aie.edu.au



BILLY BLUE COLLEGE OF DESIGN

On Saturday 29 September, you and your family will be at to attend the Billy Blue College of Design Open Day, Sydney Campus.

You will be able to explore the campus, get feedback on your VCE portfolio, speak to current students and lecturers and learning about course areas including:

- Communication Design,
- Digital Media
- Branded Fashion
- Commercial and Residential Interiors

For more information, go to www.billyblue.edu.au/events/sydney-events/billy-blue-sydney-open-day-1



CATC DESIGN SCHOOL

If you are interested in graphic design, photography or interior design, you can attend a two-day workshop at the CATC Design School Melbourne.

On day 1 you will learn basic design fundamentals and toy with these insights, then apply this learning to an interesting and interactive design project Day 2.

The two-day workshop will run on Saturday 22 – Sunday 23 September. To register, go to www.catc.edu.au/workshops



ZOO KEEPER FOR A DAY

Are you in years 7 – 12? Do you want to work with animals? Healesville Sanctuary and Werribee Zoo present a full-on day of activities where you get to work alongside their Zookeepers.

You will be able to do the following: Food preparation · Animal enrichment · Enclosure maintenance · Keeper talks · Animal health checks · Animal handling

- **Healesville Sanctuary:** September 25, 26 & 27 and October 2, 3 & 4
- **Werribee Open Range Zoo:** September 27, October 1, 2 & 4

To book your place, go to www.zoo.org.au/Learning/Camps-Holidays



BOX HILL AUDITION PREPARATION

Are you applying for Music at Box Hill Institute? If you are applying for a course that requires you undertake an audition, Box Hill will be running a Music Audition Preparation Session on Monday 24 September.

You will gain valuable advice, get hints on repertoire, learn how to handle nerves, consult with specialist staff and have a practical session on the entrance musicianship test. To apply: www.bhtafe.edu.au/



RSPCA ANIMAL ATTENDANT FOR A DAY

Is looking after animals, all day, everyday your idea of an ideal job? For an Animal Attendant it is! Come and see how our Animal Attendants provide for the animals at the RSPCA

The day will be held Wednesday 26 September. To book, go to www.rspcavic.org/services/education/holiday-programs/youth-holiday-program#animal-attendant

INTERNATIONAL HOTEL MANAGEMENT

If you are passionate about International Hotel Management, you should consider attending the International College of Hotel Management Career Week.

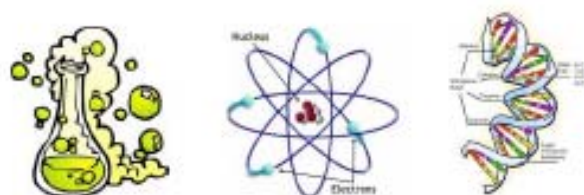
This will run between 24 – 28 September at their Adelaide Campus. For information and to book your place, go to <http://www.ichm.edu.au/>



RMIT SCIENCE IN THE CITY

RMIT invites students and their parents to tour their start-of-the-art learning laboratories at the City Campus on Tuesday 25 September between 11am – 1pm.

RMIT offer science courses in biology, biotechnology chemistry, environmental science, food science, nanotechnology, and physics. Please register at www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover



VICTORIA UNIVERSITY DISCOVERY DAY

Meet and chat with current students about their experiences and explore the state of the art facilities at the Footscray Park Campus.

Ever wanted to try your hand at being a chemist, or practise your rebuttal skills and 'object!' in their mock court?

At Discovery Day, you will be able to participate in interactive workshops in the following course areas:

- Business & Law
- Engineering
- Science

The Discovery Day will be held Monday 24 September at the Footscray Campus between 10.00am – 2.00pm.

Free lunch and entertainment will be provided. To register, go to <http://www.vu.edu.au/events/discovery-day-footscray-park>

Discovery Day at the St Alban's campus is no longer taking registrations.





Spiritual Retreat Weekend

Women - Pilgrims of Grace



Women's Reference Group

We welcome you to join women from your Parish and throughout the Ballarat Diocese.
For a weekend of peace and reflection contemplating God's grace in our lives
and how we can then rediscover the grace in each other.

When: 19 - 21 October 2012

Where: The Pinnacle Holiday Lodge - Halls Gap

Cost: Single Room - \$110 per night
Shared Twin Room - \$120 per night for 2
or \$15 per day for daily attendance only

Facilitator: Sr Jacinta Rice

RSVP: 6th October

Enquiries & Registration Forms
Mandy Parker 5233 4575 / 0437 622 198 mlpark@deakin.edu.au
Genevieve Passlow 0428 544 801 genpasslow@bigpond.com

Attendees to make their own bookings and payment arrangements with The Pinnacle

Ph: 5356 4249

Friday & Saturday night meals at own expense. (Self Catering facilities available)

Conference room hire fees, Lunch & Refreshments - cost incurred by Ballarat Diocese.



*The Pilgrims of Grace Retreat is hosted by
The Women's Reference Group & sponsored by the Diocese*

Spiritual Retreat Weekend Women – Pilgrims of Grace

The Pinnacle
21 Heath Street Halls Gap
19 – 21 October 2012

REGISTRATON FORM

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____

Suburb/Town: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone No: _____ Mobile No: _____

Emergency Contact Name & No: _____

Signature: _____

Cost Details:

Single Room - \$110 per night ☐ 1 / 2 Nights Required

Shared room - \$120 per night for 2 ☐ 1 / 2 Nights Required

Day Visitors - \$ 15 per day ** ☐

**Payable if attending for the day only - this fee is payable on the day

Accommodation booking & payment to be made directly to
The Pinnacle - Ph: 5356 4249

For catering & planning purposes please forward your completed Registration form by OCT 6th to:

Mandy Parker

455 Old Yeo Rd Yeo 3249

Email Address: mlpark@deakin.edu.au Ph: 0437 622 198

Please advise if you have any special dietary needs: _____
(for Breakfast, Saturday Lunch & Refreshments)

*The Pilgrims of Grace Retreat is hosted by:
The Women's Reference Group of the Ballarat Diocese*



Rainbow Hair for Foster Care **Campaign**

September is Foster Care Month, and this year Brophy Family & Youth Services are asking local people to wear Rainbow Hair for Foster Care. Out-of-home carers provide a safe, temporary home to children and young people in need. You can choose to provide respite, short-term and/or long term care. You can also choose the age group of the children you would prefer to care for, 0 – 12 years and/or 12 – 18 years.

Thousands of children around Victoria need foster care every night. During September Brophy Family & Youth Services will be giving away free Rainbow Hair extensions to promote foster care. Packs of Rainbow Hair extensions featuring foster care information will be stocked at our office - 210 Timor Street, Warrnambool.

Brophy hopes to increase public awareness of the need for out-of-home care and encourage people to find out more about becoming a foster carer.

To find out how you can get involved or to enquire about becoming a foster carer with Brophy:

Phone (03) 55618888 Adele Lawlor, Symone Vines or Marion Noye

Brophy Family & Youth Services

Brophy Family & Youth Services originated in 1974 and is the primary provider for youth services in the South West Victoria. We provide regional services to Portland, Hamilton, Camperdown and Warrnambool.



On Your Marks, Set, GO!"

It's time to Register for Little Athletics for Season 2012-13

Camperdown Little Athletics is back again
For all Girls and Boys, from 5 to 16 years of age

Starts on Friday 12th October

Registrations from 4pm. "Come & Try" from 4.30pm

Athletics Track—Frederick St (behind Community Stadium)

(Cost. \$100 per athlete for the entire season, payable at registration)

To save time, Register online at www.lavic.com.au and click on Join Up/Register logo

For additional information, contact

Ross McIlveen 0419 341 122

Rachael Mason (Registrar) 0427 567 416

Phil Cunningham (Pres) 0448 094 367

"For Family Fun and Fitness"

CAMPERDOWN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

SEASON COMMENCING TERM 4, 2012

Senior Teams need to complete a Registration form available from Davis Milk Bar or Camperdown Picture Framing.

MIDGET & JUNIOR REGISTRATION FORM

NAME :

D.O.B..... JUNIOR/MIDGET (please circle one)

CONTACT PHONE

EMAIL

Note that the Association reserves the right to call an ambulance for any player or spectator that needs medical attention. All costs incurred will be the responsibility of the player or spectator or their legal guardian. Health Care Card holders or Pension Card holders are covered for ambulance.

AMBULANCE MEMBERSHIP NO.

HCC/PENSION CARD NO.

All players must be at least 7 years or older by the 31 December 2012

Registration forms to be returned by 21st SEPTEMBER, 2012 to :

Davis' Milkbar or Camperdown Picture Framing

Any queries contact Ruth 5593 2523