

*Dear God  
As we come to the end of the school year  
and look back on our journey  
through eyes enlightened and enlivened by faith  
May we see your face in the faces  
of those who have shared our story for a while  
and we pray that they too may have come to know you  
In the same encounter of hearts and minds.  
Amen.*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear families,

Year 12 students have commenced their final examinations, our thoughts and prayers are with them for the next few weeks. While our students sit their exams, many of our staff have been chosen to be examiners for the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority. Only the most skilled staff are selected to be assessors and examiners and we are fortunate to have so many staff at Catholic Regional College Sydenham being chosen. I thank, congratulate and wish to recognize the following teachers for their work with the VCAA:

### VCE assessors/markers

Psychology

Helene van Iersel,  
Kenna Bradley and  
Emma Mahoney

Religion & Society

Mike Mc Hugh

Chemistry

Paul Mc Guire

Further Mathematics

Karen O' Brien and  
Margot Ryan

VCD

Heather Clark

Studio Arts

Cinzia Stojkovich

Media & Top Art

Charles Bendrups

Drama

David O'Brien

Physical Education

Megan Hill

Biology

Suzanne Krajcer

Health & Human Development

Jade Barr and  
Diane Wookey

History Revolutions

Frankie Flanagan

Food & Technology

Carolyn Slattery

Italian

Camelia Bagnoli

(reserve)

Specialist Mathematics

Adrian Rajapaske

(reserve)

### Chief assessors

Art

Gerry Sinclair

VET Community Services

Diane Wookey

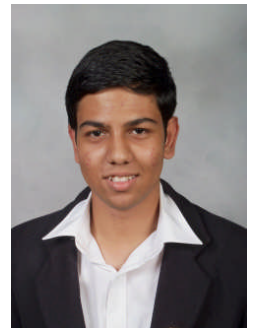
VET Hospitality

Nick Weiler

Congratulations to Daniel Messina who has been awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place in Victoria in the National Electrical and Communications Association Excellence Awards for his Systems Technology project. The awards showcase a commitment to excellence, an ability to adapt and embrace change in new technologies and demonstrate passion for the industry. Congratulations must also go to Wayne Rodriguez who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Victoria. The 2010 National finals for the NECA Excellence Awards will be held on Thursday 25 November at Star City in Sydney where Daniel will compete nationally. We wish Daniel well.



Daniel Messina



Wayne Rodriguez

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Another student whom we wish to recognise is Rebecca Adams. Rebecca entered a writing contest for the TAC as part of her VCAL studies. Rebecca won the contest and was invited to speak at the State launch and media conference for the new State Road Trauma Centre. Rebecca was joined on stage by the Premier John Brumby and TAC Minister Tim Holding. She and a group of our students who accompanied her appeared on Channel 2, 7, 9 and 10 news broadcasts that evening. Rebecca was also presented with flowers by the Premier. Well done Rebecca, we are very proud of your achievements.



Rebecca and Yr. 11 VCAL Students along with the Premier Mr. John Brumby

## YEAR 11 EXAMINATIONS

Each student received a copy of the Year 11 examination timetable during morning Tutor last week. The Year 11 examination period is from Wednesday 10 November to Wednesday 17 November 2010. Year 11 students who are studying a Unit 3/4 sequence will have to sit the Unit 3/4 examination when it is scheduled and reschedule the Unit 2 examination. The examination venue for English, General Mathematics and Advanced General Mathematics is the Hall, whilst all other examinations will be held in C Block. Year 11 classes finish on Friday 5 November. Monday 8 November and Tuesday 9 November are study days for Year 11 students. Students are only required to be at the College when they have an examination. Study Hall will be available for students to study between examinations.

Students need to be aware of the examination rules and guidelines for the November examinations. It is each student's responsibility to be fully aware and prepared for the examinations.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM

- Only bring water bottles that are clear with no label and no bigger than 1.5 litres.
  - **No chewing gum or food** allowed in the examination room.
  - Students must have their own pens, pencils and erasers in a plastic pocket. It is the student's responsibility to come fully prepared for each subject.
  - Check calculators and bring in spare batteries.
  - Students must have **photo id to enter** the examination room.
  - Students must be in full College uniform for each examination.
  - **No mobile phones or other electronic equipment** is to enter the examination room. Leave them in your locker or at the front office.
  - **Punctuality** Students must be at the College 30 minutes prior to reading time for each examination. Students are to be outside the examination venue 15 minutes before reading time ready to go in. The doors will be locked 3 minutes before reading time commences. Late students will not be allowed in until all announcements have been made and reading time has commenced. **DO NOT BE LATE.**
  - Complete examinations to the best of your ability.
- Maria Caroli - Director of Curriculum

## TRANSITION TO YEAR 12 VCE/VCAL

The Transition program is an integral component to the successful commencement of Year 12. The College is determined to provide the best possible start for our students in this vital final year of their Secondary education. It is compulsory for all current Year 11 students who are returning to study at the College to attend. The program takes place from **Monday 22 November to Friday 26 November**. This week will include the commencement of Year 12 studies in VCAL and VCE.

Students will experience a robust introduction to the course content in each of their Units of study. All staff will commence teaching the Year 12 course material for their subject areas. Homework will be set and checked in the follow-up session within this transition period.

Students who are absent during this key transition period must contact the College and provide a medical certificate. As these students will have fallen behind their fellow students, they are responsible for collecting any work they have missed and the holiday homework.

A letter containing further details has been posted to your mailing address.

Craig Holmes - Deputy Principal Teaching and Learning

**CANONISATION OF MARY MACKILLOP**

By Kaycee Talevska

Going to Rome was an amazing experience for not only me but for all of the students that went. We had all experienced, seen and knew the faith life here, but in Rome we were faced with something completely different. It was a wonderful thing to see students my age and younger so involved and active with their beliefs and faith.



At the Canonisation of now; Saint Mary of the Cross, we were exposed to one of the most holy events and to the most holy people. Even though most of us couldn't understand much (as it was in different languages) we still responded and took part in the Mass. Then when the celebration was in English we felt directly addressed and even more welcome to take part. The Mass ended and it was time for us to celebrate the great event that we had just seen and taken part in.

We saw people of all cultures cheering for their own new saints and so were we. We started singing a song we learnt about Mary Mackillop, this attracted the media and then attracted Kevin Rudd who celebrated and had a few words with us. Then Archbishop Denis Hart came and spoke to us, he also shared our excitement.

Overall my whole experience was indescribable and I feel happy to say that on my return I feel closer to God and I hope that through Saint Mary of the Cross, a lot of our students should too.



Sally Laufou from Killester College, Kaycee Talevska (CRC Sydenham and Cardinal George Pell.

**RIO TINTO BIG SCIENCE COMPETITION**

Congratulations to the following students who competed in the Rio Tinto Big Science competition in September; Cornelius Paul, Anthony Buccheri, Anger Abiel, Matthew Camenzuli, Vy Tran and Samyuktha Gomez. All students passed and competed well against 28,000 other students from around Australia as well as Singapore, the Philippines and New Zealand. Our students scored particularly well in questions related to the Biological Sciences. As all these students are Year 11 we look forward to even better results in 2011.

Paul McGuire  
Science Coordinator

**SECONDHAND BOOK SALES**

Year 12 students wishing to sell their books/calculators must bring them into the front office NO LATER than Wednesday 24 November. Students will need to verify with their teacher what books can be resold.

Year 11 student wishing to sell books and Hospitality uniforms must bring them in NO LATER than Friday 26 November.

Where: CRC Sydenham Cafeteria  
When: Year 12 books Friday 26 November  
Year 11 books Monday 29 November  
Time: Sale will begin at 8.00am.  
A ticket system will operate.

Cash only so please bring plenty of \$5.00 and \$10.00 notes

Generally items are sold for just over half price. The College adds a commission of between \$2.00 and \$5.00 depending on the item as a fundraiser for the Student Leadership Group.

CRC will not be responsible for the condition of any items purchased but you can save lots and lots of money.

Please check the booklist for items you require.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SALON SYDENHAM

Our young ladies working at Salon Sydenham are in desperate need of some good quality hair dryers and hair straighteners. If you are able to donate either of these items please leave them at the College office.

We appreciate your support.



### ACADEMY UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is located at the rear of the College  
Access is via Peck Road, Sydenham.

#### Uniform Shop Hours

- ◆ Monday 2.30 pm ~ 4.30 pm
- ◆ Thursday 8.00 am ~ 10.00 am
- ◆ Saturday 9.00 am ~ 12.00 pm

### COLLEGE FEE PAYMENT DATES FOR 2010

If you experience any difficulties making payments by the due voucher dates, please call the Business Manager - Cheryl Howard on 9361 0000 to discuss options.

Fortnightly	Monthly	Term
November 5	November 20	
November 19		

Could all parents who indicated on their enrolment forms that they would like to see the Business Manager regarding 2011 College fees please call the College on 9361 0000 to make an appointment.

### REQUEST OF ALL YEAR 11 LIBRARY BURROWERS

Year 11 students should return their library books immediately. If you would like to borrow for the holiday period or need material for examination revision please talk to a member of staff and they will be pleased to accommodate you. If you have received an overdue notice and have already returned the item it is very important that you see Rita so that she can change your record. If you have overdue books and ignore this notice a bill will be sent home. It is also possible that your report will be withheld if you ignore our reminders.

Thankyou



## LOOKING AHEAD

### Important Dates

Friday 5 November	Last Day of Year 11 classes
Monday 8 November	Year 11 Study Day
Tuesday 9 November	Year 11 Study Day
Wednesday 10 November	Year 11 Examinations begin
9.00 am - 11.10 am	English, English as a Second Language
11.20 am - 1.00 pm	English Language
1.45 pm - 3.25 pm	Geography, International Politics, Information Technology, CSE, CBU, CSR, Hospitality, VET Info



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### Important Dates

Thursday 11 November	
9.00 am - 10.40 am	General Maths, Advanced General Maths
11.20 am - 1.00 pm	Systems Engineering, Literature, Outdoor Education
1.45 pm - 3.25 pm	Art, Physical Education
Friday 12 November	
9.00 am - 10.40 am	Psychology, Physics
11.20 am - 1.00 pm	Studio Art, Music Performance, Chemistry
1.40 pm - 3.25 pm	Health and Human Development, VCD, Legal Studies

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