

Catholic College Sale Newsletter

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Dear College Community,

We give thanks each day that we, in our community are still relatively safe compared to many of our fellow Victorians. We are grateful that our students are able to attend school, continuing their learning growth and companionship, on a daily basis. Yes, we are restricted in our extracurricular activities at the moment, but we pray that there will be improvement in the near future.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all in our community who are suffering as a result of the COVID-19 spread, families who have lost loved ones, families and individuals who have been impacted by restrictions and lockdowns.

The necessity to care for each other is greater than ever. We start by caring for ourselves, following the advice given and ensuring hygiene is always a part of our daily actions. This then flows into how we interact with each other

The Miracle Question

Close your eyes or lower your gaze, bringing your focus inward. Listen to the following: Imagine that you went to sleep one night, and a miracle occurred. In the morning, you wake up into a world in which your hopes for the world are realised.

Take a minute to reflect on three questions: You go outside, and what do you see? What is going on in your street? In the world? How are people acting towards each other? What is on the news? What else is going on? Now share your vision with the person beside you.

Remember, we cannot create what we cannot imagine. From: Marist Life Formation PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

and care for each other. We thank all in our community who are working above and beyond to keep us all safe.

Our students have been tremendous throughout these uncertain times. In particular, I congratulate all of our Year 12 students on how they have adapted to the many changes and future uncertainties, by keeping to the task of achieving their very best. There will be a way forward and opportunities will again begin to appear and develop in the future. I also thank all students at the College for their understanding of the current 'new normal', especially their patience and understanding of the current restrictions we are operating under. Again, I thank our dedicated staff for their adaptability and creativity in finding new ways in engaging our students in their learning.



Above and Below - Year 8 students enjoying Medieval Day

Last week, the College held a very successful 'Virtual Pathways Evening' to allow students and families to appreciate the opportunities and complexities of subject and pathways selection for 2021. A big thank you to Cindy Foat, Jason Goudie, Ken Holmes, Jim Kelliher, Jo Clancy, Kristine Morrison, Stephanie Kerr and all those who helped make this information sharing such a successful evening. The College website has ensured

PAM Reminder

A reminder to please ensure that all parent contact details are up to date on PAM, including email addresses and contact telephone.

You will also soon receive a request to update and verify your child's medical details.



continuity of information for all in our community.

The College is in the process of finalising Year 7 enrolments for 2021 with second round offers closing on the 7th August 2020. At the conclusion of this comprehensive process, the College will be fully subscribed for our 2021 intake of eager aspiring young learners.

Over the next few weeks', students will be practicing for the College Performing Arts Festival. Necessity is the Mother of Invention and a 'virtual live act Performing Arts Festival' will be achieved with some special pre-recorded performances to highlight and showcase individual talents between the live House performances.

The College re-development program is on schedule for the amalgamation

of the two College campuses at the beginning of 2021. The John XXIII project will be completed in November 2020, with the central courtyard being completed by September 2020. A number of other projects will be completed by the end of January 2021 including; a re-developed student services area, College canteen, technology/VCAL expansion, covered courts, shaded areas, carparks and fences.

We thank all in our community for your continued support of the College and we pray you stay safe and well.

Chris Randell Principal

"I am strong of mind, gentle of heart and loved by God"



Virtual Pathways Evening – Subject Selection 2021

Sometimes out of necessity comes great ingenuity and I believe this is true of our new Virtual Pathways website - a great resource for families now and into the future. On the 21st of July, Catholic College Sale launched its inaugural Virtual Pathways evening with the development of the website. This technology has allowed the College to continue to expose students and families to as much information as possible to make informed decisions regarding future career pathways and 2021 subject selections. We had a great response to our 'live' information sessions for 2021 Year 9s and Years 10-12. We had 200 plus viewers

drop into our ZOOM sessions. We have also received some very positive feedback regarding our Learning Area Hall information and specific subject video's being viewed 1000+ times in the past week. Please **click here** or on the picture at right to access the site.

Almost all students have made their 2021 subject selections at this time. The College will now develop a timetable based around student choice. All students will roll into 2021 subjects at the beginning of Headstart on Monday 23rd of November.



All Year 12 VCE subjects will have a week of practice exams during the first week of Term 4, 5th- 9th October. No formal classes will be scheduled during this week for Year 12 students studying VCE. VCAL classes will run as normal. Students are only required to come to the College for their set exams and an exam timetable will be emailed home in the coming weeks.

2020 General Achievement Test (GAT)

All students doing a VCE Unit 3/4 subject must complete the GAT.

Wednesday 9th September - 10.00am-1.15pm

The 2020 VCE Exams Navigator and a GAT Student Examination Timetable will be handed out to all students sitting the GAT.

Cindy Foat Assistant Principal - Learning and Teaching





Virtual

Pathways

Expo

Above - Pictures from the Legal Studies Mock Trial.



LEARNING AND TEACHING

LEARNING AND WELLBEING

At Catholic College Sale, we are very privileged to be back at school teaching and learning face to face and seeing students appreciating the opportunity to be with their friends. At the commencement of this Term, Mr Randell and I had the opportunity to address all students via Zoom Conferencing, welcoming all students and staff back to school and reiterating the social distancing requirements throughout all aspects of the College. We must continue to remind our young people, both at school and at home about these requirements to ensure we place the significance of practising appropriate hygiene practices and social distancing throughout our school day.

Our discussion with the students also provided an opportunity to address some rising concerns, particularly to ensure all students safeguard themselves when arriving for the school day and ensure they are well prepared for learning at the commencement of every school day.

Expectations before school:

At the commencement of every school day, whether students arrive at school, via bus, walking, riding or being dropped off, they must make their way into the school grounds immediately, without visiting the shops before arriving at school.

Arriving at school on time:

To ensure all students are ready and prepared for their day of learning, all students must arrive on time, every day and attend their Learning Area Groups (Years 9-12) or Pastoral Groups (Years 7-8), commencing at 8:45 am. It has been outlined to all staff to monitor late arrivals, particularly our Senior Students who may be tempted to detour via coffee shops or driving themselves to school.

Departing school during the school day:

Although the College understands the requirements of some families living outside Sale needing to attend to appointments or errands during school hours, the College will only validate these requests if notified via email to the College via the Students House/Year Leaders who will then obtain written permission from Student Services. Requests made via showing an SMS from the child's phone or requests to purchase lunch external to the College will not be granted permission.

Upholding Uniform expectations:

During my recent address to the students, I commended the number of students, particularly Year 8 students for leading the College in wearing the College Uniform with pride and how they are presenting themselves every day. I also congratulated the Year 12s, as Leaders of the College, on the way they have stepped up



headspace Sale is here to help when things get tough

To keep you and our team safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, we are delivering all services online or by phone.

This means that all appointments will be held over the phone or online via Zoom. You can call us on the number below to make an appointment for yourself, or you can ask a support exercision to contact us on your behalf. To make an appointment, phone us on **0458** 553 225 or email us at info@headsposeale.org.au for the other students to follow, setting the high standards we expect at Catholic College Sale.

However, from Week 2 all staff have been instructed to confiscate nonapproved items in line with our policy and pass the labelled items of Jewellery to the student's House/Year Leader for the duration of the Term. All students have been well informed by staff and via Student Notices regarding students wearing excessive jewellery. Please refer to the College uniform policy in the Catholic College Sale Student Diary (Page 10) or via the College website.

Our Partnerships with Wellbeing Organisations

Wellbeing – Headspace Youth Mental Health Service

Headspace, Sale, is a youth mental health service for young people aged 12-25 years. In the coming weeks, the Headspace Office will be established in 453 Raymond Street, Sale.

During COVID-19, Headspace services are being

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delivered online and by phone. Please call 0458 558 225 for phone and online referrals, or visit the Headspace Sale website or their Facebook site.

Services will also include:

- Drug and Alcohol Support - YSAS (Youth Substance Abuse Service)

- GCASA (Gippsland Casa Against Sexual Assault)
- Mental Health Support through LRH including a psychiatrist
- -Quantum Support Services Counselling
- -GP's going to work in collaboration with Clocktower medical.

Think You Know.org.au – Cyber Safety for Students and their Parents/Carers

During Term 1, the AFP Cyber Safety organisation Think You Know visited Sale, providing Parents and Carers with the opportunity to become better informed of current Cyber Safety issues and how to engage in conversations with their teenage children about keeping cyber-safe. The presentation also provided information regarding other relevant topics including Sexting.



Click on the logo above to access the Think You Know Website.

The Think You Know Website provides online programs specific to age groups, along with a range of Fact Sheets.

We all have an active role to play towards keeping our young people safe and the College asks for families to take an active role in educating and protecting all children to assist them to make positive choices when using any device and protect our children from potential harm caused through sending/posting inappropriate images and messages.

The College is also appreciative to receive any concerns you may have about young people who attend Catholic College Sale, in order to assist them with their wellbeing or to support our students through having educative discussions to guide young people about the legislation of Online Safety and the potential ramifications from any innapropriate actions.

Warm regards,

Tim Morrison Deputy Principal – Learning and Wellbeing

VCE Practice Exams - Save the Date -



Practice examinations for Year 11 and 12 students completing a Unit 3/4 sequence will now take place from the **5th to the 9th of October.** These exams provide valuable learning and preparatory experience for students, are taken

under examination conditions and give the students valuable practice at exam technique. In addition, these practice exams will enable students to focus on any areas that need improvement for in the extremely short amount of time available in Term 4.

They will prove to be a worthwhile experience and will provide students the best possible preparation prior to the examinations in November.

Year 11 students completing a Unit 3-4 subject are required to attend school as per normal for that week however on the day of their scheduled Unit 3-4 exam they may attend for the exam only.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Acknowledging our founders in times of pandemic.

In any other year we would have a great day of celebration for the anniversary of the founding of the Marist Brothers 204 years ago in France. Usually we have a Mass and a number of activities to celebrate our founders and to look at how the beliefs, values and dedication of those people still feed our own beliefs, values and dedication in teaching students at Catholic College Sale. This year we shared a quiet prayer

and reflection and gathered only in spirit.

This year has given us the opportunity to appreciate the quieter moments which have been more common due to COVID 19. For some this time has been a time of great sorrow and stress as businesses are pushed to the limits and family and friends have been cut off from us. For others this

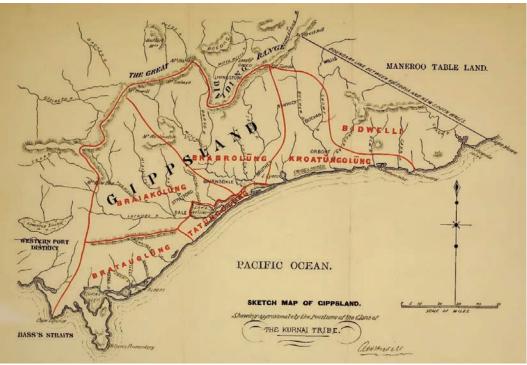


has been a time to reconnect to our closer family and to make an effort to support locals more actively. We have come to understand the meaning of community a lot more and have started to reflect on the meaning of responsibility instead of rights as a key driver of our behaviour in society.

The Marist values of Family Spirit and Simplicity have, in some ways, been forced upon us by this time of pandemic. We have also been challenged to be more present to others, to take the time to make an extra phone call or pop in on a friend or neighbour to make sure they are going OK. We have also been able to appreciate the work we do and the value of those people whose work we take for granted: the "essential workers" of our society. Marcellin and the Sion Sisters would all see that this change makes us walk in the way of Mary perhaps more than we have before. We look to our faith and our understanding of being called to love others now, more than ever.

Service In Action

We are very happy to see that our Year 10 RESA class (Religious Education Service in Action) have moved to round two of consideration for a grant to complete social justice work in the local community. Spurred on by local discussion about the role of early Scottish settlers in this region and their relationship with the traditional inhabitants, the Gunai Kurnai people, as well as looking at events overseas and around Australia, the class felt the need to apply for a grant to create something which acknowledges our local history in ways which may not have



been told before. Their proposal is to have a memorial which tells the story of settlement in this area through the stories and experience of the original custodians of the land. The students have written a 2,000 word proposal for consideration for the grant and we look forward to hearing how they went later this year. Thank you to all the Year 10 RESA class and Ms Peatling for their work on this.

Jeff Hobbs REC PATHWAYS & CAREERS

This unusual school year is moving on very quickly and in particular for our Year 12's who are all working very hard in their last full term of school. Unfortunately this year we have been unable to host our usual variety of visiting presenters from the various Tertiary institutions and University accommodations. Year 12 students have however, had the benefit of participating in some live presentations online during careers classes. In addition, we have introduced our new pathways website where students and parents can access live presentations and online tours from the various universities as a means of obtaining up to date information on applications, courses and campuses.

VTAC Update

This year we were unable to host our parent / student briefing as normal in St Mary's Hall, however, there will be an opportunity for parents/students to view the presentation online. VTAC will be running a series of webinars for parents and students. These will commence in the week when applications open and will be free to attend. The slides from the presentation are available here to download.

VTAC preferences open on the 3th of August. The process will be explained to students in Careers class and all Year 12 students are encouraged to activate their account and begin the process early.

Open Days

All University Open days are online this year with virtual tours of each campus and live presentations from the various departments.

All dates are listed on the College Pathways website under the University section.

Subject Selection

Years 9 - 11 are currently busy completing their subject selection for 2021. The students in each year level are encouraged to visit the Virtual Pathways website, accessible via the College website and peruse the various subject videos in the Learning Halls area to obtain an overview of the subjects available for them to choose from. Additionally, they can download our Curriculum Handbook for detailed subject descriptors. If any further help is needed on any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

Johanna Clancy Pathways Coordinator



Left - Year 10 students Abby Gray and Eve Morcom get some assistance from Pathways Coordinator Jo Clancy in the Ratisbonne Centre.

YEAR 8 MEDIEVAL DAY

Following on from the success of last year's Year 8 Medieval Day, students were once again given the opportunity to apply their Medieval knowledge in a range of workshops. Banquet cooking, shield making, floral head pieces, medieval scrolls, castle building and medieval jousting were some of the activities on offer. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to dress to the theme and put the knowledge and skills they have built up in Humanities classes into practice!



VCAL

VCAL East Gippsland Farming Family Relief Package Project

As a small token of assistance for some families who have been affected by the East Gippsland summer bushfires and the COVID-19 pandemic Catholic College Sale VCAL students have undertaken a new project. Led by VCAL Coordinator Mr Tim Johnson, the students have built packages that include a dog kennel, mailbox, bird box, candles and soaps to be distributed to families affected by the Summer bushfires.

All of the items have been made by VCAL students and delivered to the families identified by the BlazeAid volunteer group.

After the completion of the project the students shared their project with WIN News and followed up with a celebratory BBQ.

"A key feature of a successful school and community partnerships is that all partners benefit from the collaboration," said Principal Chris Randell. "Not only was BlazeAid delighted with the outcomes, but our VCAL students fulfilled the requirements of several units of study associated with vocational skills and project planning and delivery. They also experienced in tangible ways the rewards of outreach and support for their East Gippsland neighbours so badly impacted by the bushfires."

Principal, Chris Randell also noted: "The support of our local businesses and the high regard our local community has for our graduates is resulting in increased demand for places in the 2021 VCAL program.



Music Department News

MASIC

There is still so much going on in the Music Department at the moment, despite all the restrictions surrounding our part of the education world. So here is what we have all been up to over the last few months:

Instrumental lessons

We moved to zoom based lessons when students were unable to be on campus, and the uptake for this was fantastic. Some of our students actually thrived on this model of teaching. One of the big advantages from our perspective as teachers was that for many who chose that option we got to engage with our student's parents and involve them in the learning process. For those who chose to use a school-based supervisor we have to thank Saurav



Above - Madeline Youl and Jamie Willis in the music room.

and Elisa in particular for their on-screen presence and support for the Music Department. For the few who chose a music theory-based option, congratulations on getting involved and completing those modules.

Now we are back on campus we can work face-to-face and play music with each other – such a vital part of music making. We are practicing socially distanced rehearsals with our small choirs and our St Pats string ensemble, and the rock band program is able to recommence. Thank you to our amazing staff, particularly Roy Condeza and Brad Cruickshank, for their flexibility and expertise in keeping the motivation of our students high, and continuing to strive for excellence and enjoyment.

Places available

Semester Two is a fantastic time to take up the challenge and enjoyment of learning a musical instrument.



Above - Term One rehearsals for the Senior School Production.



This is an area that is actually booming in the wider community as we are all forced into spending more time at home, so I encourage you to get some lessons now – on any instrument that you would like to learn. We are very proud of the ability and expertise of our teachers, all of who are highly regarded as performers and teachers in the wider community, so this is a great time to take advantage of their skills. Just pick up a form from the offices at either campus, or see Ms Roffe or Mr Condeza.

We are currently looking at creative ways of showing our student's performance abilities to parents and friends – we will let you know as soon as possible what we can share with you! Thank you all for your continued support of Music at Catholic College Sale.

Ann Roffe Head of Music

Left - Performing at the College Ovals in Term One.

IN THE CLASSROOM

Unit 1 & 2 Legal Studies Mock Trial

Our Unit 1 & 2 Legal Studies students put their newfound knowledge into practice on Monday and Tuesday with a mock trial. The Ratisbonne Centre hosted the trial, where students took on the roles of judge, witness, attorney, jury (with the addition of some helpful volunteer staff members) and accused. After much deliberation, a unanimous decision was reached regarding the fate of both of the accused!



Year 9 English

Earlier this year Ms Moulton's Year 9 English class took on the task of writing their own short story. Please click below to read 'The Drowning' an amazing short story by Charlee Vernon.

CUCK HERE







Year 10 Literature

The Year 10 Literature students were asked to complete a Close Analysis of a Poem in response to Edgar Allen Poe's The Raven and a Close Analysis of a Short Story in response to Franz Kafka's The Hunger Artist. These were completed over the course of Term

2. Please click on the pictures to have a read of the Close Analysis of a Poem (The Raven) by Sebastian Moore and a Close Analysis of a Short Story (A Hunger Artist) by Zoe Robbins.

ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN



LOGIN TO WWW.CCSALE.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU/ENROLMENT/ TO DOWNLOAD THE ENROLMENT FORM

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VCE REVISION PROGRAM

VCE REVISION PROGRAM 2020



MAV is releasing a self-paced, interactive, online VCE Revision Course for all three maths studies.

Course videos are delivered by highly qualified, experienced teachers and current VCAA exam assessors. Students will receive the most relevant and up-to-date information, and the tips will be based on where students typically make mistakes in their VCE exams.

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THE MATHEMATICAL ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

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CONTACT US

Term Dates

TERM THREE 2020 Monday 13th July – Friday 18th September

TERM FOUR 2020 Monday 5th October – Friday 4th December

Events Calendar

Thursday 6th August Year 8 Reflection Day

Wednesday 12th August Founders Day/St Pats Performing Arts

Wednesday 26th August Year 12 Reflection Day/Sion Performing Arts

Friday 28th August Student Free Day

Wednesday 2nd September College Photos - St. Pat's

Thursday 3rd September College Photos - Sion

Tuesday 8th September PST's Years 7 - 23

Wednesday 9th September General Achievement Test (GAT)

Friday 18th September Last Day Term 3

Monday 5th October First Day Term 4

Thursday 15th October Year 7 Reflection Day

Monday 2nd November Student Free Day

Tuesday 3rd November Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup

Wednesday 5th November Year 8 Reflection Day

Monday 9th Nov - Tuesday 2nd Dec VCE Examinations

Friday 13th November Year 9 Exams

Catholic College Sale 51-53 Desailly St, Sale, VIC 3850 PO Box 594, Sale, VIC 3853

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Sion Campus 03 5143 9600 Student Absences Sion Campus 03 5143 9600

Email: contactus@ccsale.catholic.edu.au

Website: www.ccsale.catholic.edu.au

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is located at **46 Cunningham Street, Sale**. The contact number is 5144 6514.

The Uniform Shop operating hours:

Tuesday 3.30pm – 4.30pm **Thursday** 9.00am – 10.00am

Blazers and hats are purchased directly through the College.

Items must be paid for at the time of purchase and cannot be charged to school accounts.

Clothing is not sold on consignment but purchased by the College Uniform Shop, however, only items in good order will be accepted for sale. Blazers and winter skirts left for sale must be dry-cleaned.

If you require assistance with the Uniform Shop outside of the regular hours please contact the St. Patrick's office on 5143 9700.

Canteens

The Canteen Menu and price list is available through CDF Pay by clicking the logo. If you would like to volunteer in 2020 please download the below form.

Canteen Volunteer Form

