St Francis Xavier Day
On Thursday May 28, our College community celebrated St Francis Xavier Day. Under brilliant autumn skies, our day commenced with every student and member of Staff gathering for Eucharist in the Beaconsfield Campus gymnasium, celebrated by Fr Jeff Kleynjens and Fr Bernard Mahony. Mass was followed by a range of activities, stalls, musical presentations and House competitions – all of which added up to a wonderful celebration of the spirit of our school.

Jerusalem Pilgrimage
Five of our teaching staff are currently in Jerusalem, having been awarded a Bursary through the Catholic Education Office. Mr Kevin Woodhouse, Mrs Michele Knight, Miss Denise Dunne, Mr Dennis Krinas and Mr Lindsay Sant will take part in the immersion programme at Ecce Homo, studying the Gospel of St Luke.

Katrina’s Sparkle Fund
I had the pleasure this week of meeting Jo & Rob Hastings, parents of former student Katrina Wakeling (nee Hastings), who died suddenly just over two years ago, the result of a stroke. Katrina was a wife, mother of a four month old baby boy (Lewis) and a woman passionate about improving the lives of young people. Katrina’s Sparkle Fund is a sub fund of the Australian Communities Foundation, established as a legacy to her life, supporting the values Katrina held so close to her heart. A Gala Dinner at Clover Cottage will be held on the evening of Sunday June 17. A significant proportion of the funds raised will be directed to Windermere Child & Family Services for their work in preventing youth suicide. Attached to this edition of the Newsletter is a flyer containing the details of the event.

Enrolments 2013
The interviews for enrolment for Year 7 2013 are now completed. Once again we have experienced very heavy demand for places in Year 7 at both the Berwick and Officer Campuses. All enrolment enquiries should be directed to Mrs Felicity Woodhouse, College Registrar (phone 9707-3111).

Student Free Day
On Monday June 18, every member of the College Staff will be participating in a professional learning day. The main focus of our day will be our Strategic Framework – the plan that will guide our development through the next five year period. On this day, students will be asked to study at home.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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Cybersecurity
The Australian Government has asked all schools across the nation to promote National Cybersecurity Awareness Week (June 12-15), in an effort to combat the alarming increase in unacceptable behaviour via social media, such as mobile phones and the internet. I refer parents to the TOP TIPS attached to this edition of the Newsletter.

Staffing Update
- We are very pleased to welcome our new College Registrar, Mrs Felicity Woodhouse, to St Francis Xavier College. Mrs Woodhouse will oversee all enrolment enquiries, applications, etc.
- It is with sadness that we farewell Mrs Tricia Randle after twelve years of devoted service as College Registrar. Many parents will have had contact with Tricia and benefitted from her expertise and compassion. We wish her every happiness in retirement.
- Mr Mark Dawson returns to the College after a period of Study Leave.

Annual Report to the College Community
The Commonwealth Government demands that all schools publish to their community a detailed summary of achievements for the preceding year. Parents wishing to examine the St Francis Xavier College 2011 Report to the Community may do so via:
- The College website
- A paper copy at each Campus Reception
- Approaching Parent Representatives of the College Board.

We Are Praying For…
- The repose of the soul of Mrs Mary Hurley, mother of our colleague, Mr Shaun Hurley, who passed away recently.
- Mr José Menares, father of Nick (Yr 10) and Eric (Yr 7).
- Mr Dominic Pannuccio, father of Matthew (Yr 9).
- Mr Krishna Sami, father of Kajal (Yr 12).

Have you changed your address or phone numbers recently?
If so, it is vitally important that you provide updated details to the College.
A CHANGE OF DETAILS form is available from Reception at any of the Campuses.

OUR PARISH MASSES

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UNIFORM SHOP
Beaconsfield Avenue, Beaconsfield
Mrs Vicki Lister

Hours:
- Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.30am - 4.00pm
- Every Saturday 9.00am - 12.00pm

Telephone Orders Welcome
Please call 9707 3111
(Tuesday or Thursday)
2012 The Year of Grace

Pentecost, as a Christian feast, dates back to the first century. It commemorates the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, fifty days after the Resurrection of Christ. This year the Bishops of Australia have invited the whole Church to participate in a Year of Grace which began on Pentecost Sunday 27 May. The Year of Grace is an exhortation to ‘Start afresh from Christ’. It is the Australian Bishops’ gift to us to celebrate and renew our faith and life as Catholics. Its primary purpose is to ask God for a new and deep grace to forge the future of our Church and nation.

We are living in an age of anxiety, a time of deep frustration, even anger; and all of this is not just ‘out there’. It’s in the Church as much as elsewhere, and it leaves its traces in each of us, even the Bishops. We seem to stand before a closed door – the doorway into peace, into the fullness of life for which we long. Into all of this comes Jesus, waging war against the prince of this world, who is the Lord of hopelessness. Jesus says simply, ‘Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid ... Peace I leave you; my own peace I give you’. 

Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Chair, Bishop’s Working Party – Year of Grace

Grace can be defined as a gift from God – generous, free, totally unexpected and undeserved.

St Paul tells the Corinthians there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. In these verses the Apostle Paul compares members of the Church to the parts of the body. Just as the foot, the hand, the ear, and the eye are important in their different functions, so also all members of the Church are important – each bringing different skills and talents. In a recent article, Jim Quillinan says, God has graced each person, even though it may appear at times that some are endowed with more talent than others, but God has left none of us without talent. Sometimes, we acquire talents at a later stage in life. God's grace is always available. We do not have to make God present – we need to make ourselves present to God, to make ourselves sensitive to the richness of God’s grace that is already present and active in our lives.

1 Minute's Gratitude

We can incorporate a Year of Grace into our daily lives by taking just a few moments each day to reflect on how God's grace has touched our lives. Holiness is often what happens in times of crisis – or in the 'messiness' of our family and day-to-day lives. In those times when things get too hard, try to reflect on the unique gifts that your situation has and of the richness and holiness in the ordinary everyday... because that is where God touches us.

At St Francis Xavier College, we have been participating in 1 Minute’s Gratitude for a couple of years. This is our way of making every year a Year of Grace. In a world which does not lend itself easily to any degree of quietness, we take a few moments in silence to reflect upon all that is good in our lives, to appreciate what we have been given, to contemplate what is and what may be, to acknowledge quietly that we are blessed, to thank God for his goodness to us.

When? Daily, one minute prior to the bell which sounds to commence the lunch break.

Who? Every member of the St Francis Xavier College Community.

How? In the classroom: The teacher calls for pens down, books closed, silence.

In the office: All stop work. Silence.

Why? To deepen our understanding of what is good, to encourage a greater perspective in our lives, to offer time for quiet prayer, to experience quietness.

Senior Studies Information Evening

Please read attached flyer.
Parents and Friends

pnf@sfx.vic.edu.au

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY 1ST AUGUST, 2012
Junior Campus Staffroom 7:30p.m.

If you would like to hear more about what’s going on at your child’s school as well as meet new people and offer help, ideas and support in a friendly environment please join us for the next meeting of St. Francis Xavier College’s Parents and Friends Association ... Everyone is welcome!

All enquiries regarding the College P&F can be made to Lorraine on 9707 5274.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

OFFICER CAMPUS - PAVER FUNDRAISER

🌟 DON’T MISS OUT! 🌟

As foundation families of the new St. Francis Xavier Officer campus, please consider buying a paver for the new school with your name engraved on it. This unique fundraiser gives you the opportunity for a lasting record of your support and your family’s time at the College.

It would be fantastic to have as many families as possible get involved for this lasting memento of your time at the school. For further information please contact Lorraine on 9707 5274.

KEEP COLLECTING!

Please continue collecting Woolworths ‘Earn & Learn’ stickers from Woolworth’s supermarkets, Paul’s Collect-a-Cap lids from specially marked Paul’s milk product PLUS start collecting vouchers from Coles for the ‘Sports for Schools” campaign from June 13th.

"Thank you for your support"

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The 2012/2013 Entertainment Books are still available. If you’re interested in purchasing one to take advantage of the many discounts on offer please phone Lorraine on 9707 5274.

Sunday 16th September
More information will be confirmed in the newsletter a.s.a.p.

P&F MEETING DATES FOR 2012

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Order your new 2012 | 2013 Entertainment™ Book...
discover the best deal of all!

Choose what you want to do and when you want to do it with hundreds of valuable offers. Receive up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers valid now until June 1st, 2013!

Purchase a Book and at the same time, you will also be helping community fund-raising!

The new Greater Melbourne Entertainment™ Book features many of the most popular businesses in the area like...

**Fine and Contemporary Dining**
- Bistro Guillaume
- Nobu
- Esposito @ Toofey's
- Red Spice Road
- Livingroom Restaurant
- Number 8 Restaurant & Bar
- Church St Enoteca
- Estivo
- Ezard
- Mr Hive
- Sarti
- Sapore
- Paladini
- Mercers
- and many more...

**Casual Restaurant and Family Dining**
- Anglers Tavern
- Monk & Me
- Baba
- TGI Friday's
- Cafe de Cuba
- The Pancake Parlour
- Cafe Sienna
- Bealcomber
- La Camera
- Coco Lounge
- Hofbrauhaus
- Veggie Bar
- The Blackburn Hotel
- Trenta Cucina
- and many more...

**Informal Dining and Takeaway**
- KFC
- McDonald's
- Grill'd
- Nando's
- Domino's
- Mrs Fields Cookies
- Red Rooster
- Tins
- Brumby's
- Cold Rock Ice Creamery
- Hudson's Coffee
- Wendy's
- Schnitz
- Noodle Box
- and many more...

**Arts, Sports and Attractions**
- Melbourne Racing Club
- Luna Park
- Village Cinemas
- Melbourne Storm
- Melbourne Aquarium
- and many more...

**Retail and Shopping**

**Travel, Leisure and Accommodation**

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### 2012/2013 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK ORDER FORM

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Thank you for supporting St. Francis Xavier College - $13 from each Entertainment Book sold will contribute to our fundraising.
Examinations
All students have been issued with a timetable for the forthcoming examination period beginning Thursday June 7. Students are expected to familiarise themselves with their timetable and ensure that they have revised effectively and are thoroughly prepared. It is crucial that all students adopt a positive attitude towards their studies and participate in this formal assessment period to the best of their ability. In particular, I wish all students sitting mid year VCAA examinations the best of luck.

Student Drivers
As the year progresses and an increasing number of Year 12 students turn 18 and obtain their Driver’s Licence, so too does the demand for parking spaces in the areas surrounding the College. I encourage students to get to school early as there are only a small number of legal parking spaces along Beaconsfield Ave and surrounding streets. There is no student parking permitted on campus and parking in restricted areas near the school will incur a significant fine from the local Council. Consider leaving the car at home and continue to use public transport. This is not only a more environmentally friendly option, but less risky for students in their first year of driving, often under pressure to carry student passengers.

Year 12 Formal
The Year 12 Formal, organised each year by the Student Leaders, will take place at Leonda by the Yarra on Friday July 13. Although not a school organised event, the Formal is a highlight of the year for many students and provides an opportunity for celebration at the end of the Semester 1 Exams. Parents please note neither the formal nor any activities/celebrations after the event are arranged or supervised by College staff.

Performing Arts
It has been a pleasure to attend the evening performances hosted by this faculty in recent weeks. We have many talented and gifted students who have spent many weeks honing their skills to prepare their assessment pieces in Music, Drama and Dance. Thank you to all these students for sharing their unique abilities and to Mrs Dulude, Mrs Oliver and Miss O’Neill for their dedication and giving up many hours outside of the school day for rehearsals.

World Vision
Recently Miss Erpisimidis accompanied eight student leaders to the World Vision Global Leaders Convention held at the Melbourne Convention Centre.

The Global Leaders Convention (GLC) is World Vision’s one-day leadership event, designed to inform and empower students who are passionate about being a voice for justice in the world. This was a fantastic opportunity for student leaders to attend, and be encouraged to:

- **Learn** about the challenges associated with global hunger.
- **Share the vision:** Explore the world through the eyes of children living in poverty.
- **Keep the promise:** Inspire fellow students, school and community to become global citizens by sharing their new knowledge and skills.
- **Do something real:** Do the 40 Hour Famine and set an example to their peers.

St Francis Xavier students will have the opportunity to participate in the 40 Hour Famine. Further details will be provided closer to the event.

House Music/Drama Finals
The House Music/Drama Finals were held this week with special thanks to Mrs Dulude and Mrs Oliver for their continuing effort and support. Congratulations to all involved.

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VCAA, UNIT 1 and YEAR 10 Semester 1 Examinations
This week senior students begin their Semester 1 Examinations. Teachers of all VCE Unit 1 and Year 10 subjects have written challenging test papers that will encourage students to recall and skilfully apply the concepts that they have studied over the last 16 weeks.

At recent Year Level Assemblies students were given clear guidelines regarding appropriate examination protocols, as well as advice to effectively prepare for examinations. Parents are advised that students do not have to be at school on the days they do not have exams scheduled, however, students are welcome to join their peers in the rooms we have set aside for ‘quiet study’.

VCAA UNIT 3 Examinations and the General Achievement Test – these are being conducted from Tuesday 12 to Thursday June 14.

We wish all our students well, knowing that those who have committed themselves to their studies deserve the rewards that hard work delivers.

Semester 1 Redemption
Some students do not make wise decisions or clearly understand the work ethic demanded of VCE studies. If the VCAA rules allow, we can offer them the opportunity to learn from their mistakes and redeem their grades. Letters have been sent home to a small number of students who have not yet achieved a ‘Satisfactory’ standard in a particular subject. The examination may be a student’s last opportunity to redeem this situation. Letters have also been sent home to parents of students who have received a ‘Provisional N’ for unapproved absences from class. Details of the Redemption Classes that students are required to attend have also been shared with these students via Care Group.

Semester 2 classes will begin on Tuesday June 19
ALL students must ensure they have purchased the required textbooks and equipment to commence Semester 2. Any student who has been given permission to change a subject has been notified via Care Group.

Senior Studies Night – Wednesday July 18

Year 11 2013
All Year 10 students and their parents are reminded of this most important event on the St Francis Xavier College calendar. Learning Area Leaders and subject teachers will be available to discuss the range of options available for those enrolling in VCE and VCAL, including the VET programs we offer. On this night students are encouraged to ask specific questions about pre-requisites for VCE subjects, the content to be covered and the skills they will learn. This is the first step in choosing a two year program of study that will ensure the student is well prepared for the career pathway that he or she may be considering. Please refer to the information sheet in this newsletter.
VCE Cocktail Party
Parents of all Year 12 students would have recently received their invitation to the VCE Cocktail Party to be held in the Hospitality Centre on Thursday June 21 at 7.30pm.

A popular annual event, the VCE Cocktail Party offers the opportunity for Year 12 parents to chat, share some stories and meet informally with Year 12 Staff. The College deems this occasion as an opportunity to thank parents for their support and celebrate their involvement in our community over the past years.

Cocktail Party RSVP
Kay Spencer by Wednesday June 13 email: kspencer@sfx.vic.edu.au.

Alumni
We invite and welcome any news from our past students about their travels or career news to share regularly with the community in our college newsletters.

Please send information to Maree Chapman or email mchapman@sfx.vic.edu.au

Nicole Murray (now Nicole Bachelor) completed Year 12 at St Francis Xavier College in 2002. Nicole is currently based in Alice Springs fulfilling a childhood dream of nursing with the Flying Doctor Service providing health services in outback Australia. Prior to her appointment last September, Nicole had worked across the Southern Health network in a variety of nursing positions, including Emergency and Paediatrics. Nicole has also completed training in Midwifery.

Another graduate from 2002, Kendall Brown, recently returned to speak to Year 11 students at our ‘Journey So Far’ evening. Kendall spoke about his role as a Paramedic with the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and discussed the extent of his duties, attending road traumas, workplace and other accidents, delivering babies and routinely transporting the elderly and impaired to appointments. Kendall emphasised the priority in his role of managing the scene of an emergency and the importance of communication in dealing with people of all ages and from all walks of life.

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Keep up to date with the latest newsletters and information about what is happening around the College.

Visit www.sfx.vic.edu.au and click the ‘Like’ button on the top left corner of the screen.

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Go to sfx.vic.edu.au then click on “News & Events” then “Newsletters” then “Subscribe” and fill in the information
St Francis Xavier Day Celebrations
Last Thursday the Berwick Campus students were transported by bus to the Beaconsfield Campus, for a day of commemoration and celebration of our College’s namesake, St Francis Xavier.

The morning Mass was beautiful; a spiritual and spectacular event for all to experience. The students looked smart in their uniforms and their behavior was exceptional. After Mass we had recess, followed by a combined Care Group session. Lunch had a festive, fete-like atmosphere where each House organised a food stall. All money raised will go to charities the College supports on an annual basis. Everyone was thoroughly entertained by the Victorian Police Band and we were truly blessed with the wonderful weather. After lunch the students went into House-based activities that were diverse and creative yet all fulfilled the same objective – to give our senior and junior students an opportunity to interact and build relationships.

A successful day like this does not just happen. It takes many people weeks of planning, and then everyone on the day getting involved and doing their part. It was a wonderful day on so many levels, and the behavior and participation of the Berwick students made me proud, and I let them know it! We are just so lucky to have the positive community we do.

I want to thank all staff who worked so hard to make the day successful, especially the House Coordinators and their teams who prepared the House activities and food for the stalls.

Skateboards
I am concerned about the increase in the number of students using skateboards as a ‘mode of transport’ to get to school, particularly as they do not see the need to wear helmets. Riding skateboards or scooters on the school property is unsafe and not permitted. Students have been told they will have their skateboards confiscated if they ride them in the school grounds. They will only be returned when I receive a letter from parents confirming they have given their child permission to ride the skateboard to school.

Congratulations all Berwick Junior Production Participants
I was absolutely delighted and thoroughly entertained last Wednesday in the Maree Johnson Auditorium, by a talented and diverse group of Berwick Campus students who came together to perform in the Berwick’s Got Talent Production. It was a fast-paced, amusing and colourful display of music and drama that quickly won over the audience. The performers and support crew were magnificent and obviously enjoyed the evening as much as the audience. A big thank you to Mrs Anderson-Gargano and Miss Kwiecien for the time and effort they put into assisting and preparing the students for such an event. Well done to all involved!
Year 9 Exams
As Semester One comes to a close it is important that Year 9 students step up and aim for the stars. I don’t want to hear that they are hoping only to pass their English and Mathematics exams, but that they are aiming for 90% and higher. Mediocrity is never acceptable.

Hopefully, students have taken advantage of the study skills sessions, and the English and Mathematics workshops that have taken place over the last few weeks. This week parents will receive notification of the process for the Year 9 mid-year exams in English and Mathematics. That notice will also contain a copy of the following points but in the meantime, as their first educators, I encourage you to begin the conversations and focus on a few simple do’s and don’ts to prepare them

**DO’S**

1. Silence
2. Read paper carefully
3. Ask questions during reading time
4. Read article (English) twice – once during reading time and then again once writing time starts but this time armed with a highlighter or pen
5. Write your name on all pieces of paper used
6. Answer the question
7. Plan your essay
8. Bring in a clear bottle of water
9. Bring pens, pencils, erasers, sharpeners
10. Bring a calculator to the maths exam
11. Have a spare pen
12. Bring in tissues
13. Wear a watch – BE ON TIME
14. Check times for line up
15. Go to the bathroom before and in between exams
16. Eat healthy BRAIN food at breakfast and at lunchtime (eggs, tuna, fresh fruit are great brain foods)
17. Get some exercise, walk, run around at lunch time – activities like these grow brain cells!!
18. Follow all instructions given

**DON'TS**

1. Panic
2. Mark answers with your finger nail during reading time
3. Have pens in hand or push calculator buttons during reading time
4. Ask questions during writing time
5. Talk
6. Think you can borrow someone’s equipment during the exam
7. Communicate with other students in the hall
8. Bring in mobiles, iPods etc.
9. Think there are toilet breaks during exam time
10. Bring in food or gum
11. Bring in other drinks
12. Think you can leave the hall before the end of the exam
Bus Safety
Congratulations to the majority of Officer students who continue to travel safely and efficiently on school buses. To ensure their safety and the comfort of other passengers students will:

- Behave safely at all times.
- Respect the needs and comfort of other passengers.
- Behave appropriately at all times (e.g. no use of offensive language, fighting, spitting, placing feet on seats or throwing things in or from the bus).
- Protect bus property and report any vandalism.
- **Show their bus pass to the driver on boarding and when requested.**
- Maintain possession of the bus pass at all times.
- Follow the driver’s instructions about safety on the bus (e.g. instructions on where to sit).

What are the consequences of inappropriate behaviour?
- If a student misbehaves on a bus, the bus operator concerned will contact the school.
- Students will be refused travel on the bus for a period of time.
- Students will be refused travel if they do not present a valid bus pass.

London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games Letter Link
The Officer Campus students will soon be participating in this program during their English classes. Letter Link has been running since the 1992 Olympic Games and continues to give students the fantastic opportunity to write to an Australian athlete – this year, in London. Students will find all sorts of information, activities and interactives on the Australia Post website [http://auspost.com.au/education/olympicgames/students/index.html](http://auspost.com.au/education/olympicgames/students/index.html). They can test their knowledge of the Olympic and Paralympic Games in a fun quiz, bring the Letter Link characters to life with a webcam, read interviews with competing athletes and much more.

The Australian Voices
Yesterday our Officer students enjoyed a free concert in the Maree Johnson Auditorium by acclaimed choir – The Australian Voices. The choir has an 18 year history of presenting stunning choral performances to the highest international standards and are winners of multiple gold medals at the Choral Olympics and first prizes at the Choir of the World Competition. Jonathon Welch AM (Choir of Hard Knocks and Judge on ABC’s Battle of the Choirs) recently said “The Australian Voices, conducted by Gordon Hamilton, gave the most sublime performance I have ever heard anywhere in the world.” [http://www.theaustralianvoices.com/](http://www.theaustralianvoices.com/)
CAREER WISE INFORMATION SESSION for year 10 students will be conducted during period one on June 21. At this session students will receive their career wise report. The session will cover each area of the student report and explain the connection to further study careers and VCE/VCAL subject selection which starts on July 18 at the Senior Studies Information Evening.

YEAR 10 INDEPENDENCE DAY – You can support your independent educational decisions by spending time discovering a world of possibilities at Monash University. This event will give Year 10 students a chance to discover their options at Monash and life at university.


YEAR 10 INFORMATION EVENING AT DEAKIN UNIVERSITY – Start to plan your VCE, university and career options. Find out about Deakin courses, hear speakers talk about their professions, meet students and enjoy pizza! Where/When: Melbourne (Burwood) campus Tuesday June 5; Warrnambool Campus Wednesday June 6; Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus Tuesday June 12; Register: www.deakin.edu.au/future-students

YEAR 12 TERTIARY INFORMATION SESSION was conducted on May 28, this was an opportunity for students to find out the processes involved in applying for tertiary courses for 2013. All the Universities and TAFE Institutes had information stands so students could collect course information and ask questions. The next step in the process is OPEN DAYS it is most important that students attend these days and ask questions about the courses they are considering for next year. These dates are published on the careers notice board and the College newsletter.

Important Dates
- August 6 – VTAC Applications Open
- June-August – Open Days for University, TAFE & Independent Institutes
- August 6 – SEAS Applications Open
- September 28 – VTAC Applications Close
- October 9 – SEAS Applications Close
- December 16 – ATAR released
- December 17-24 – Change of Preference Period
- January 17 – Offers released

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING AT MONASH – Parents of Year 11/12s can attend this event to find out about the VTAC application process, scholarships and fees, course options and graduate outcomes (held at Albury, Caulfield and Geelong). Register interest: www.monash.edu.au/parent.

MONASH PENINSULA CAMPUS TERTIARY OPTIONS EXPO – Several presentations available – tertiary study; parent information and special entry schemes; return to study and alternative entry pathways; When: starts 6pm, Tues 19 June; Register: www.monash.edu/peninsula.

MONASH ART DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE WORKSHOPS – Workshops for Year 12 students interested in studying creative disciplines. Aimed at assisting you develop your university entrance folio and introducing you to various disciplines; explore tertiary options. When: 10am-5pm, July 3-5; Where: ADA studios, Caulfield Campus; Details: www.artdes.monash.edu/study/workshops.

NEW SPECIAL EDUCATION DEGREE AT MONASH – Monash (Berwick) has a new Bachelor of Education (Special Education) program (pending university and VIT approval). Commencing in 2013, it will offer studies for primary and secondary education. Information: edu-courseinfo@monash.edu.

COMPUTER GAMES BOOT CAMP – CGBC is an event run by the Monash Faculty of Information Technology for Year 9-12s to experience everything connected to computer games. If you are interested in becoming a professional gamer, building and designing games this event is for you. When: Sat July 7 – Fri July 13; Where: Clayton; Register: www.it.monash.edu/cgbc.
S.I.S. Round 4 & 5 Update

**Round 4 Berwick**
- Intermediate Girls Netball def Nazareth
- Intermediate Boys Basketball - BYE
- Intermediate Boys Football - BYE
- Intermediate Girls Soccer def Maranatha
- Junior Boys Football lost to St Peters
- Junior Boys Basketball def Cornish
- Junior Girls Netball def Cornish and Padua
- Junior Mixed Table Tennis lost to Berwick Grammar

**Round 4 Officer**
- Junior Boys Football lost to Flinders
- Junior Girls Netball - BYE

**Round 4 Beaconsfield**
- Intermediate Girls Soccer - BYE
- Intermediate Boys Football lost to Beaconsfield
- Intermediate Girls Netball lost to Padua
- Intermediate Boys Basketball def Berwick

**Round 5 Berwick**
- Intermediate Girls Soccer lost to St John’s
- Intermediate Boys Football def John Paul
- Intermediate Girls Netball def St John’s
- Intermediate Boys Basketball lost to Beaconsfield

**Aerobic News**
On May 20 the St Francis Xavier Aerobics Team departed for The Arena in Geelong at 6.30am, with 11 teams including one Hip Hop team participating in an Aerobics Competition that could get them into the State Finals. Three teams qualified for the State Finals and the other teams have a second chance. Thank you to Kerry Little, Nicole Kwiecien, Amelia Boyle, Ashley McGuinness, Mairead Johnson, Michele Knight, Sam Stanley, Kate Roff and Caley O’Neill for their time and effort with the Aerobics team. Thank you also to bus drivers Tim and John for giving up their Sunday. Good luck to all Aerobics teams that have made it through to STATE!

**VCE Physical Education**
On Wednesday May 23 Rob Malpeli author of VCE Physical Education Units 1 - 4 visited the College to speak with Year 12 students in Unit 4 about material they will cover in Terms 2 and 3.

The Peak Performance Session covered the following topics of the Unit 4 course:
1. Fitness Components
2. Fitness Assessment
3. Fitness Training Principles and Methods
4. Designing a Training Program
5. Chronic Adaptations to Training
6. Strategies to Enhance Performance and Recovery
7. Ergogenic Aids

Mr Malpeli also spent time discussing aspects of the Unit 3 course with the students. He is an enthusiastic, dedicated Physical Education teacher who made the journey from Balwyn to encourage and foster the passion these students have for the subject. The students thoroughly enjoyed the session and particularly enjoyed the fun size Mars bars handed out to students answering questions.

**Coles Sport for Schools**

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Coles vouchers = sports equipment for our school.

The collection date begins on June 13 and runs for two months. Last year we collected over 140,000 vouchers… can we top that??

The more vouchers you collect, the more benefits for our school.

Please take all the vouchers to reception and place it in the “Coles Sport for Schools” program box!

**S.I.S Cross Country**
On Tuesday May 22, students from all three campuses travelled to Baxter Park, Baxter to compete in the S.I.S. Cross Country Division A Championship. As usual, our students represented the college beautifully and we came away third placed in Division A! Congratulations to all our representatives and a big thank you to all who helped out on the day and with training leading up to the event.

**Special congratulations to our medal winners:**
- Tegan Jagusch – First – Seniors
- Rachel Copestake – Third – U/17s
- Jonathan Bishop – Second – U/15s
Round 6 Match Report

St Francis Xavier vs Ivanhoe
SFXOC 8.6.54 def by Ivanhoe 10.11.131

St Francis Xavier travelled to Ivanhoe after their narrow loss last week desperate to make amends. The first quarter started as a nightmare for the Xmen with Jess Mathers copping a broken kneecap and Shaun Harvey doing the ligaments in his ankle. Despite the early losses the Xmen were playing brave and took a slender lead into the first break. The second quarter started with a bang for the Xmen. Four quick goals had them 28 points in front when the heavens opened and where St Francis continued to play dry weather footy, Ivanhoe stepped up. By half time Ivanhoe had managed to put their noses in front. The third quarter saw Ivanhoe continuing to display better attack at the footy, team footy and most importantly - run. The margin at 3 quarter time was 9 goals. This loss sees the Xmen drop to sixth on the ladder.


Best Players: S. Burns, D. Dimakopoulos, J. Van Dam, M. Scanlon, J. Lenders, T. Pearson.

Reserves
SFXOC 7.8.50 def by Ivanhoe 8.16.64

The Xmen Magoos travelled to Ivanhoe for a chance to beat a team right behind it on the ladder and cement a top three place. But it was Ivanhoe off to a good start. Their pressure was better and they held a slender lead at quarter time. In the second term it was more of the same and if not for the efforts of Pryor, Leaworthy and Watts the margin would have been greater at half time. In the third term Ivanhoe kicked away to a four goal lead. In the last quarter the Xmen started playing better footy and finally got some respect on the board to go down by 14 points.


The Xmen have the long weekend off to re group and the following week take on Uni High who play near the Goal Kickers:

Round 7 Match Report

St Francis Xavier V Elsternwick
SFXOC 9.9.63 def by Elsternwick 17.10.112

St Francis Xavier hosted Elsternwick on Saturday in what shaped up as a very important game if the Xmen wanted to keep touch with the top five. The return of some key players meant expectations were high going into the clash, but it was Elsternwick who had the early going and shot out to a quick three goal lead. Nearing the end of the first quarter the Xmen had evened the game up before Elsternwick kicked a couple of quick goals to go into the first change with a 15 point lead. The second quarter was dominated by the Xmen but there was no reward for effort due to some comical skill errors. The boys went into the rooms with an even scoreline but feeling very confident. The Xmen played a disappointing third quarter and found themselves seven goals down at the final change. The last quarter was an even affair in which Elsternwick finally ran out winners by 8 goals.


Reserves
SFXOC 25.19.169 def Elsternwick 1.1.7

Coming off two losses in a row the Xmen Magoos needed keep in touch with the ladder leaders. The first term saw the Xmen well on top delivering the ball efficiently down to the forwards. The Xmen were playing with skill and really looked the goods. In the second term it was a matter of how far the Xmen could go with Curry kicking five for the quarter. In the second half to Elsternwick’s credit they never gave up but the Xmen were too quick and skilful. Well done to the boys in a full four quarter team effort.


Best Players: L. Curry, C. Hughes, C. Van Dam, B. Sheehan, P. Gould, D. Thomson.

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ST FRANCIS XAVIER COLLEGE

SENIOR STUDIES INFORMATION EVENING

Beaconsfield Campus - Wednesday July 18 2012, 6.00pm – 9.00pm
Subject Displays in HALL Foyer

ALL SUBJECT CHOICES WILL BE ENTERED ONLINE THIS SEMESTER.
TO CHOOSE SUBJECTS FOR 2013 AND RECEIVE YOUR ACCESS CODE AND PASSWORD
YOU MUST ATTEND THE FOLLOWING SESSIONS.

All current Year 9 students and parents must attend ‘Beginning Senior Studies’
All current Year 10 students and parents must attend ‘Beginning the VCE’

EVENING SESSIONS

• 6.00pm Beginning Senior Studies (Surnames A – K). VENUE – Maree Johnson Auditorium with Mrs. Jo Prestia
  This is an information session for students beginning at the Senior Campus.

• 6.00pm Beginning the VCE (Victorian Certificate of Education) (Surnames L – Z)
  VENUE – Hall with Mrs. Mary Bourke
  This is an information session for students starting Units 1 & 2 of the VCE.

• 6.45pm VET (Vocational Education & Training)
  VENUE - HOSPITALITY CENTRE with Mr. Phil Apperley
  This is an information session on programs offered by St Francis Xavier College.

• 6.45pm What is VCAL? (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning)
  VENUE - LIBRARY with Mr. Gary Keet
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Parent & Student Information Evening.

Frances Kelly is coming from Catholic Mission, Sydney to talk with interested parents and Yr 12 students about all the details of the Immersion Experience.

Any Yr 12 student interested in attending the Immersion Experience will need to attend as the first stage of applying.

Thursday 14th June @ 7pm in the Hospitality Centre

Please email Mrs O’Connor to advise if you are attending the information evening by Tuesday 12th June.
roconnor@sfx.vic.edu.au

Catholic Mission
in partnership with
St Francis Xavier College
“Get Involved Globally” GIG
IMMERSION EXPERIENCE to
TIMOR LESTE
Alternate Schoolies...
Yr 12’s - Are you Ready for a CHALLENGE???

GIG is a program that challenges people to see, feel and act in a new way.

GIG is a cross-cultural immersion and mission exposure that provides a unique opportunity of experiential learning for participants. Participants immerse themselves in the culture and life issues of people in a Majority (Third) World context by engaging with ordinary people as well as with key community and church leaders.

Catholic Mission invites those interested in travelling deeply into the culture and lifestyle of the people of the youngest and poorest nation in SE Asia to participate in an immersion expedition to Timor Leste from 23rd November to 2nd December 2012.

Students who participate in this program will have an experience that jolts. The hope is that through this community service they will see the world differently, deepen their spirituality and commit to their faith in ways that will advance the reign of God by building a more just world, being of service to others and to be advocates of change.

Interested students can see Mr Kevin Woodhouse or Mrs Rhonda O’Connor for more information and application forms.
2012 National Cyber Security Awareness Week

Top Tips

1. Install and update your security software; set it to scan regularly.

2. Turn on automatic updates on all your software, particularly your operating system and applications.

3. Use strong passwords and different passwords for different uses.

4. Stop and think before you click on links or attachments.

5. Take care when transacting online - check the supplier and use a safe payment method.

6. Only download apps from reputable publishers and read all permission requests.

7. Regularly check your privacy settings on social networking sites.

8. Stop and think before you post any photos or financial information online.

9. Talk with your child about staying safe online, including on their smartphone or mobile device.

10. Report or talk to someone if you feel uncomfortable or threatened online - download the Government’s Cybersafety Help Button.
Join us for a

Gala Fundraising Dinner
and help us make a difference

Sunday June 17
6.30pm - 10.30pm

 Clover Cottage
 Manuka Road, Berwick

3 Course set Dinner
Drinks at bar prices

Auctions & Raffles – Prizes Galore!
$60 per head

Contact Rob Hastings 0400 044 257
or Helene Woods 0422 271 314

Katrina’s Sparkle Fund is a sub fund of the Australian Communities Foundation established as a legacy of the life of Katrina Wakeling to support the values she held so dearly. In line with these values it is intended that a significant proportion of funds raised on the night will go towards supporting the work of Windermere Child & Family Services in the area of Youth Suicide Prevention.