



A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG MEN

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## From the Principal

As we approach the end of November, we are closer to Advent, the season in which Christians wait and prepare for the celebration that commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ and ask the Spirit for the gift of gentle *defiance*.

Christmas arrives to find that our health can be precarious, our studies or jobs under stress, our finances dipping badly, and in times of drought the threat of bushfires. How can we celebrate Christmas in situations like these? Isn't the only realistic response anxiety and gloom?

When the outer world is darkness, barrenness, and rejection, Advent is a lesson in bringing forth and responding to the inner world of light, greenness, and kindness. Our Tradition teaches us that since this inner world is rooted in a transcendent love, it is more powerful than all the attacks that emerge out of both our finitude and sinfulness. *"I have said this that you might have peace in me. In the world you have tribulations, but cheer up, I have overcome the world"* (John 16:33). *Christmas cheer*, when it is modelled on this passage from John, engenders in us a gentle defiance to the tribulations of the world. Gentle defiance is not on the standard list of Christian virtues, but it is the Advent gift that we all need to unwrap at one November/December or another.

Br Denis is also in this time of waiting: recuperating from illness. He would dearly love this healing time to end, so he can return to Parade College and complete his 25<sup>th</sup> year as

Principal of Parade College. But he trusts that he is in God's healing hands and knows that it will take time. He continues to appreciate the Parade community's thoughts and prayers. The College will gather on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December for a farewell assembly to acknowledge and express gratitude for a life of prophetic servant leadership.

Our Year 10, 11 and 12 students have completed their exams. This week the Years 8 and 9 students are completing their examinations and details have been issued about their camp/activities program for next week.

Friday 22 November is a student-free day for all students, except for Year 10 (Work Experience) and 11 students (Year 12 Headstart Camp).

The timetable for 2020 classes is being completed in readiness for the "Headstart" program next week (2020 VCE students) and continues for all students in the week beginning Monday 2 December.

The finals of the ACC fixtured games of Tennis, Cricket and Volleyball are being played this week and we acknowledge the efforts of coaches and teams in another very successful season of good sportsmanship.

A reminder that the final part of the orientation program for the new Year 7 students for 2020 will take place on Monday 9 December.

**Mr Andy Kuppe**  
**Acting Principal**





**Christmas Carols  
Under the Cross  
2019**

**WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup>  
DECEMBER**

**RIVERGUM THEATRE  
PARADE COLLEGE**

**7:30PM**

**\$2 ENTRY**

**IN SUPPORT OF  
MACKILLOP FAMILY SERVICES**

## Special recognition for Dr Denis J Moore cfc

Mr Colin Brooks, State Member for Bundoora and Speaker of the Victorian Legislative Assembly, hosted a lunch on Thursday 14 November to honour Dr Denis Moore's 25 years of service as Parade's Principal.

Joining them were Mr Andy Kuppe, our Acting Principal, and Mr John Kennedy, State Member for Hawthorn and retired Principal of Loyola College.

Dr Moore was also welcomed to a session of Parliament, given a tour, and introduced to our Premier Mr Daniel Andrews.

A fitting recognition for a very valuable and respected life of service.



*Taken from Parade College Facebook page, posted 14 November 2019*





## From the Registrar

### Enrolments for Year 7 2022

Applications for Year 7 2022 are now being accepted. If you currently have a son enrolled at the College you are still required to submit an application for younger siblings.

Please contact me on 9468-3304 or via email [registrar@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@parade.vic.edu.au) if you require an enrolment form. Alternatively, application forms can be downloaded from our website.

### Students not returning in 2020

If your son is not returning in 2020 please contact me directly via email at [registrar@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@parade.vic.edu.au) so the correct process can be followed and the relevant paperwork completed.

### Academy Uniforms

A reminder that families can purchase uniform items from Academy Uniforms online at <http://www.academyuniforms.com.au/>

To order online please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to: [www.academyuniforms.com.au](http://www.academyuniforms.com.au)
2. Select ORDER ON-LINE
3. Your School's login - Select Parade College
4. Enter the following password – Parade
5. Submit
6. Place your order

***The uniform shop at both campuses will close in the final week of school - Tuesday 3 December at Preston and Friday 6 December at Bundoora. They will re-open on Friday 31 January (Bundoora) and Tuesday 4 February (Preston).***

***Mrs Angela O'Connor  
Registrar***

## Uniform Enquiries

Academy Uniforms is the official uniform supplier for the College and is located in the College's main Administration Building at both the Bundoora and Preston campuses. During the term it is open from 2.45pm to 4.00pm on Tuesdays and 8.00am to 9.00am Fridays at Bundoora and from 10.30am to 11.00am on Tuesdays at Preston.

Academy Uniforms are located at 238 Wolseley Place, Thomastown - Phone 9460-8011. Trading hours are: 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 12.00pm Saturday.

## Secondhand Uniform Enquiries

### **Parents/Students wishing to sell items**

Parents may be able to sell some secondhand items directly to Academy Uniforms, eg; blazers and jumpers. Items will not be accepted at Reception.

All items for possible sale must be dry-cleaned and still in the drycleaners plastic sheath with each item having the drycleaners ticket stub pinned to the collar or tag.

Items are to be delivered to the Uniform Shop at either Preston or Bundoora during the shops trading hours. Items left outside the shop door will not be accepted.

Items left at the College Reception will be considered donations and given to families in need.

The staff at the Uniform Shop are not obliged to purchase any items and have right of refusal.

### **Parents/Students wishing to buy items**

Anyone wanting to know about the availability of secondhand uniform pieces should enquire via Academy Uniforms shop at either campus during the above trading hours.



## 2019 Construction Induction Training

### Register Interest by 12 December

A CI Card is required for anyone wishing to work on a construction site anywhere in Victoria. As a Registered Training Organisation, Parade College are approved to deliver and assess CPCCOHS1001A Work Safely in the Construction Industry unit of competency.

With such a great demand for training in 2019 from the College community, we are already planning for training dates in the first half of 2020 for this popular course, and invite interested persons to register their interest with our RTO Office by 12 December.

If you require more information prior to registering interest please call me on 9468-3300, or email [tony.mckay@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:tony.mckay@parade.vic.edu.au)

**Mr Tony McKay**  
*Executive Officer - Parade RTO*



## Clearing Lockers

All parents/guardians please note that students at both campuses have been advised that they **MUST** clear their lockers by Friday 6 December and they will need to take their padlocks home with them.

We would appreciate parents/guardians reminding their sons that they need to do this.

All lockers will be cleaned on Monday 9 December, and any items left in lockers will be discarded.

The College cannot take any responsibility for missing items or locks left in/on the lockers after school finishes.

**Mr Rod Macdonald**  
*Property and Services Manager*



## STEM in Singapore Tour 2020

Thursday 25 June to Friday 3 July  
*for current Year 8 to 10 (Altior) students*

Information Night - Tuesday 11 February  
7.30pm, Nash Learning Centre, Bundoora

Tour cost: \$3668 – \$4226 (dependent on numbers)

RSVP to Ms Nicholas [Geraldine.Nicholas@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:Geraldine.Nicholas@parade.vic.edu.au)

**STEM: Science + Technology + Engineering + Mathematics**



## From the Assistant Principal - Organisation

### 2020 Term Dates and Students Holiday Absence

Please note below the 2020 term dates. Parents are asked to consider carefully any holidays or events that withdraw students from the College and their studies during the term.

If you wish to withdraw your son during the school term, please notify the College by contacting your sons House Leader prior to the event and advising the College Principal by writing to Mr Callanan, Assistant Principal Organisation.

#### Term 1

Sunday 26 January	Australia Day
Monday 27 January	Australia Day Holiday
Tuesday 28 January	All staff return
Friday 31 January	Year 7 and 12 commence
Monday 3 February	Years 8, 9, 10, and 11 commence
Monday 9 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Friday 27 March	Term 1 finishes

#### Term 2

Monday 13 April	Easter Monday
Tuesday 14 April	Term 2 commences
Monday 8 June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 26 June	Term 2 finishes

#### Term 3

Monday 13 July	Term 3 commences
Friday 18 September	Term 3 finishes

#### Term 4

Monday 5 October	Term 4 commences
Tuesday 3 November	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday
Friday 4 December	Term 4 students finish
Friday 18 December	Staff conclude, College Office closes

**Mr Michael Callanan**

**Assistant Principal - Organisation**

### Parade College BUNDOORA



Tutor Group Mass

When: every Friday morning

Time: 8.10am to 8.30am

Where: Chapel of the Holy Spirit

❖ 8 November L16/L06/L07

❖ 15 November: B18 /B06

Parents, Grandparents and  
community welcome

### Parade College PRESTON



Years 7 to 9 Mass

When: Friday 6 December

Time: 12.00pm to 12.40pm

Where: Sacred Heart Church

Parents, Grandparents and  
community welcome



## John Harms and our Journalism Students

'Words...language...the art of writing!' I triumphantly declare. I eagerly glance out at the sea of faces before me, and wonder if I am successful in transferring my love of language across to my cohort of Year 9 Journalism students.

By the looks of things – blank eyes staring straight back at me – I'd say not quite.

Thank goodness, however, we can call upon people in the community to come in and back up the messages we are trying to deliver. In our case, there were the forty students in myself and Casey Pritchard's ExCEL Journalism classes, who had the opportunity to have John Harms come to Preston and spend a whole day on Wednesday 6 November doing a writers workshop with them.

John Harms is a writer, publisher, historian, speaker and much more. One of his most recent biographies is the Michelle Payne story 'Life as I Know it'.

The online community known as the 'Footy Almanac' is also something which John is heavily associated with.

John's objective in coming in to work with our students was to have them tap into their own stories and engage in writing up a detailed piece that could then be published on the Almanac website.



The boys warmed to John immediately, and worked steadily throughout the day to get their writing pieces completed.

As it currently stands, we have ten students who have had their stories published on the Footy Almanac site. Check out the following link to read some of their amazing stories that for the most part are grounded in sport, but also touch on themes such as family, tradition, identity, and more.

<https://www.footyalmanac.com.au/category/junior-almanac/school-visits/parade-college-2019/>

We thank John for his willingness to share his wisdom with our boys, and the warmth and sincerity he displayed in helping our boys tap into their potential and bring out their best.

**Ms Vanessa Fox**  
**Year 9 ExCEL Journalism Teacher**



# Parade Preston

## CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE



We are asking for donations of **new toys and sporting equipment** to donate to St Vincent de Paul this Christmas.

The House Committee will be running numerous activities so that we can raise money to also buy toys and sports equipment to donate.

Christmas is a time of giving and caring and everyone is entitled to enjoy Christmas.







## Blessing of the New Sculptures at Preston Campus

On Thursday 7 November a special event was held at the Preston Campus to unveil and bless the new sculptures of the founding Christian Brothers: Br Hughes, Br Nolan, Br Bodkin, Br Lynch and Br Treacy.

Students from each House had the honour of speaking about their founding brother, with the audience learning about each brother's story and how it connects to the story of the Preston Campus.



The artist, Jenny Steiner, was present and was blessed by Fr Jan Szweda from Sacred Heart Preston, alongside the sculptures she created.

The sculptures replicate the spirit of the Bundoora sculptures. They provide a visual reminder at Preston Campus of our heritage, the blessings we have received, and the gospel values that are the winds in the sails of our ongoing mission.

**Ms Sarah Melenhorst**  
**Ministry Team**



## A Tradition of Giving

As part of our annual St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal we are asking each student to donate just one non-perishable item at some time during the coming weeks (students can donate more than one item if they wish).



Non-perishable items include such things as: spaghetti, rice, tins (beans, meats, tuna, etc), food packets; anything with over a three month use-by date.

We ask parents to support us by assisting your son when he asks to be supplied with something for the St Vinnies Appeal.



The response from parents and students last year was amazing. Let us make this a generous Christmas for all those in need in the Bundoora region.

On behalf of Parade College, I thank you for your support.

**Ms Anne-Marie Morello**  
**Community Action Convenor**



## World Skills Competition

On 9 September two Year 11 students, Zachary Woolcock of L10 and Alexander Romano of T10, represented Parade College at the 2019 VETIS Carpentry World Skills Regional Competition at Bayside Secondary College.



The two boys competed against twelve other students from the region with Zachary earning first place and Alexander placed fourth. Zachary will be awarded with a Gold medal in weeks to come.. Well done boys.



*Above L-R: Zachary Woolcock, Mr White, Alexander Romano*

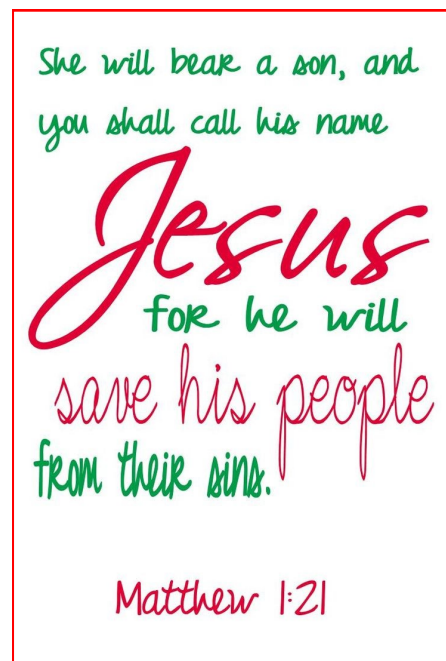
Having placed first in the Regional competition, Zachary was invited to compete at State level on 19 October against another twelve students from across Victoria.

Zachary did well on the day and placed seventh at State level - that's seventh out of a total of ninety students that competed in the whole state!



Congratulation to Zachary and Alexander for the hours that they spent practising in preparation for the competition.

**Mr Joel White**  
**Furniture Making Teacher**





## From the Business Manager

### 2020 Tuition Fees

Invoices for 2020 tuition fees were emailed in the first week of November. Hard copies have also been posted out.

If you have not received your invoice please contact Ms Emily Hosking on 9468-3327.

Generous discounts are available to families who wish to pay their invoices in full. The discount is also extended for Charter Bus invoices.

Please be aware some additional charges are levied throughout the year, eg; private music lessons, and a separate payment is required for these.

If you have any questions about your fee statements or are experiencing financial difficulty with meeting your fee obligations please contact Ms Emily Hosking on 9468-3327 or via [fees@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:fees@parade.vic.edu.au).

Alternatively if you would like to make an appointment with the Business Manager to discuss your situation, please contact the College.

### Please Advise Change To Your Email Address

The College is emailing fee statements of account monthly. This will assist families to keep track of their payment plans and act as a reminder for any payments in arrears.

Please ensure you advise us of any changes to your email address as this is also the address used for the College Newsletter.

**Mr Paul Harris**  
**Business Manager**



## Remembrance Reading

In Term 4 the Caroline Chisholm Learning Centre was reconfigured to allow for more flexible learning spaces. The Maintenance, IT and Library Teams pitched in to replace and reconfigure all the Fiction and Non-Fiction shelving; to install extra IT/AV; and to create more usable space in the Non-Fiction area.

Some students have commented: *'It looks different but good'*; *'There's a lot more space so there are more places to read'*; *'It's pretty cool - you can fit a lot of people in.'*

On 8 November a 'Remembrance Reading' activity was held with fifty students in Ms Melenhorst and Mr Cheong's Year 7 English classes.



Students delved into a library blog, *Then and Now: Centenary of World War 1* in relation to their own primary schools; then the Year 7s immersed themselves in silent reading; and the two classes ended the session by viewing an online representation of the landing at Gallipoli ([abc.net.au](http://abc.net.au)).

The boys are to be commended for their reading focus and camaraderie. Silent reading doesn't look like learning, but it is.

**Ms Lynda Santolin**  
**Teacher Librarian**



## From the Director of High Performance Sport

### Selection In High Performance In 2020

Subject selection has been completed for 2020 High Performance classes at Year 8, 9 and 10 and letters have been sent home to those that have unfortunately missed out.

As ACC High Performance is a timetable subject, selection into these classes has to coincide with the Subject Selection process in August. To accommodate the potential development of students not selected into a 2020 High Performance class and provide the opportunity to try out for a 2020 ACC team, additional trials for all ACC Sports are as follows –

- Football and Soccer will occur midway in Term 1 2020.
- Basketball, Table Tennis and Hockey will occur midway in Term 2 2020
- Volleyball, Tennis and Cricket trials will occur midway through Term 3 2020

Any student identified at these trials as possible members of an ACC team will be given the opportunity to play some games. In addition, students wishing to improve their skills and enhance their chances for future ACC selection should involve themselves in the Sports Development Program. Focusing on all ACC sports, this two-week program (per sport) will generally occur on a Tuesday and Thursday after school until 4.30pm and run throughout the year.

### Melbourne City Junior Soccer Tournament

The ACC Year 7 and 8A Soccer squads had three early morning training sessions on Bunjil Park to select a squad of sixteen to participate in the Melbourne City cup run at LaTrobe on Wednesday 6 November 2019.

There were five Year 7s in the squad, a reflection of their Premiership winning ACC season.

Parade's first game on the day was against Overnewton College No 2 team. Parade dominated the possession and



ran out 2-0 winners thanks to goals from Captain Anthony Greco (Yr8, T13) and midfielder Damian De Bortoli (Yr8, T18).

Due to our fixture requirements our second game was ten minutes later against a much tougher team from Trinity College. A sloppy start from Parade gifted a couple of early goals to Trinity and nearing half time the boys were losing 3-0 and looking down and out. A goal just before the break from Francesco Gargaro (Yr8, B16) gave the team a glimmer of hope, kicking with the wind, in the second half.

After the break the boys were looking very determined and put Trinity under constant pressure. Eventually the goals came with Anthony Greco scoring twice more, as well as goals from Gianluca Gatto (Yr8, T11) and Brandon Micallef (Yr8, H13).

Suddenly Parade were 5-3 up. It took some brilliant saves from Goal Keeper Liam Kikidopoulos (Yr8, T14) and Parade had won a remarkable game 5-3.

The boys were confident about the semi final against Rowville Secondary College, however the game was three hours away due to fixturing. The semi was a disappointment as the boys didn't have any real spark. They battled on but lost 3-0 to a superior team.

It was an excellent experience for the boys and an eye opener to see the great range of Soccer talent from schools we don't usually play against. Thanks to all the boys who tried out for the team and to those boys that played on the day.

## Cricket Academy

The Parade College Cricket Academy has concluded after running for five weeks for selected Year 7 boys. They were coached by Mr Dulip Liyange who represented Sri Lanka in 9 Test Matches, 16 One Day Internationals and 123 First Class Matches.



## Victorian All Schools Athletics Championships

The following students have competed at the Victorian All Schools Athletics Championships over the past month.

There have been some fantastic individual performances:

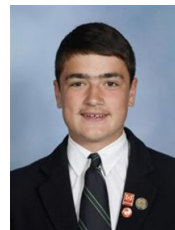
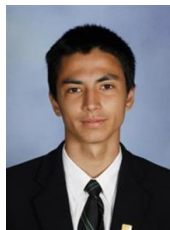
Andrew Howe (Year 12, T03) had an extremely successful competition, winning two gold medals and a silver medal. He competed in the Under 18 100m, running 11.19s in the heat and 11.17s in the final which won him the Gold Medal. In the Under 18 200m Andrew ran 22.61s in the heat and 22.51s in the final which won him the Gold Medal. In the Under 18 400m he ran 53.03s in the heat and 51.04s in the final to win the Silver Medal.

Thomas Reynolds (Year 9, B21) competed in the Under 15 400m, running 59.25s in the heat and 56.50s in the final. Thomas won the Bronze medal for this event. He also competed in the Under 16 200m where he ran 23.97s and finished 9<sup>th</sup>. A great championship.

Bailey Cumming (Year 8, B16) competed in the Under 15 Discus, throwing 22.11m and finishing 8<sup>th</sup>.

Samuel Abolencia (Year 8, H15) competed in the Under 15 Discus, throwing 27.64m and finishing 7<sup>th</sup>. He also competed in the Under 15 200m where he ran 26.45s and finished 17<sup>th</sup>.

Lachlan Reynolds (Year 7, B20) competed in the Under 16 400m, running 55.63s and finishing 9<sup>th</sup>.



Above L-R Andrew Howe Yr12 T03, Bailey Cumming Yr8 B16, Samuel Abolencia Yr8 H15. Below L-R Lachlan Reynolds Yr7 B20, Thomas Reynolds Yr9 B21



## Students Excel on the Sporting Field

Jai Lemire (Year 11, L07), pictured below left, has recently been awarded the Junior Diamond Valley Leader's Local Sports Star for a superb twelve months. This included being part of the World Cup winning Under 15 Indoor Cricket National team – at which he was ranked the tournaments number one player. Bryce Chamberlain (Year 7, B11), pictured below right, recently was awarded the MVP for the Eltham Wildcats Under 14-5 team in the Victorian Junior Basketball League Championship.



## Cricket and Tennis Caps

All members of our Year 7 to 10 ACC Cricket and Tennis teams have been supplied a College Cap which is to be worn when representing the College in ACC Summer competitions. It is expected that all team members in these team have their cap for all fixtures in Term 4. Replacement caps can be purchased from Mr Groves or Mr Turner in E18 for a cost of \$10.

**Mr Paul Groves**

**Director of High Performance Sport**



## House Report



Our House Captain, Baxter Landers H07 (below right) and Vice Captain, David Hamilton H08 (below left) both led with energy and initiative throughout 2019, mentoring our House Committee members and instilling a belief in all our students that success to take the coveted Treacy Cup was not unattainable.

On a personal level, I am very proud to have observed this year's cohort of Hughes 12s graduate as I have had the privilege of following them through the ups and downs of school life as their House Leader from their lower years until now.

I wish every one of our Hughes class of 2019 all the very best with all that they pursue in the years ahead.

**Mr Jacob Williams**  
**Hughes Upper House Leader**



Hughes House farewelled our 2019 Year 12 cohort earlier this term with our entire House paying tribute to a remarkable six year journey. This allowed for our current Captain Baxter Landers to hand over the Hughes flag in a symbolic gesture to our incoming Captains Calin Skiba H04 and Aaron Agius H06 (pictured below)

**ST MARK'S FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL**

**WHEN**  
Saturday 23rd November 2019  
11 am—4 pm

**WHERE**  
St Marks Parish Primary School  
Lee Street, Fawkner

**ENQUIRIES**  
9359 6463

**NOVCON Group**

**Stockdale & Leggo**  
Gladstone Park

**O'Gorman's**  
The finest in window furnishings  
Est 1947

**RIDES**  
**FOOD STALLS**  
**ENTERTAINMENT**  
**MARKET STALLS**







## From the Director of Music

### 2020 Instrumental Music Program Enrolments

A reminder to all parents and guardians that 2020 enrolments for the Instrumental Music Program are now open.

Learning an instrument is a fantastic way for students to immerse themselves into College life and make many new friends along the way. It has been also proven as an effective way to strengthen memory and reading skills, as well as enhance overall mental health.

### NEW! Voice Lessons for 2020!

*Parade is pleased to offer Voice lessons as part of the instrumental music program!*

Voice will run subject to student enrolment, so make sure you book your place in the program ASAP! The enrolment form can be accessed via [this link](#) or via the College website following these steps: Education, then Co-Curricular, then Music, then Instrumental Lesson Booking Form.

### NEW! Instrumental Class Band Program for Year 7's and 8's

In 2020 Parade College is excited to offer a new Instrumental Music Class designed for Junior Musicians to receive small group instrumental music lessons and participate in an ensemble for the cost of instrument hire and textbook charge.

*This offer is open to ALL current year 7 students.*

Students will attend a weekly group instrumental music lesson with a specialist instrumental teacher (run during school hours on a rotating timetable) to develop their musical skill on their instrument.

They attend a weekly ensemble rehearsal where students will play and learn valuable ensemble playing skills with the other musicians in the program.

Students work through a set band class text (included in the price of the instrument hire and be provided with a hire instrument to use in class and home studies.)

The cost of the program is \$400 for the year (this covers instrument hire and band method book - \$12.50 per lesson for 32 lessons, 16 per semester)

Students commit to the program for the year with a non-refundable enrolment and sign an Instrument Hire Agreement form for the care of the instrument loaned.

To enrol your son in this program, follow the link below and enter 'Instrumental Music Band Lesson' in the Instrument selection tab: [https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/Forms/Instrumental\\_Lesson\\_Booking\\_Form.aspx](https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/Forms/Instrumental_Lesson_Booking_Form.aspx)

For more information or a Instrumental Class brochure contact the [Melissa.Calia@parade.vic.edu.au](mailto:Melissa.Calia@parade.vic.edu.au)

### Carols Under the Cross

Preparations are now well underway for the annual Parade College Christmas Carols 'Under the Cross' which will take place on Wednesday 4 December at 7.30pm in the Rivergum Theatre.

The carols concert is perhaps the biggest event in the Music calendar as it is the culmination of an entire year's work for the Music students as part of their classroom, instrumental or ensemble learning.

We are excited that students from Mercy College will be joining us to perform at this event in another wonderful collaboration of music and song between our two schools.

Entry is \$2 in support of MacKillop Family Services, Parade's charity of choice for 2019. It promises to be a fantastic celebration of the many musical achievements of our talented young men and we look forward to seeing you there.

*There may even be a special appearance by 'Student Santa!' Come along and help celebrate the festive season!*

**Ms Melissa Calia**  
**Director of Music**





## Pathways Education

This week we continue to share some of the thoughts of our graduating VCAL class about the VCAL program and also about their hopes for the future. The students have been grouped in their major areas of VET studies of Information Technology, School Based Apprenticeships, and other areas of study.

### Information Technology

#### Stefan Epifano – H10

VCAL has been good for me because I was struggling in VCE. The stress was getting to me and school was not enjoyable. Changing to VCAL changed my workload and I feel I can still go to university but not right away. In 2020, I plan on going to RMIT, do a diploma course, and also get my driver's licence.



#### Dennis Joseph – L10

VCAL has been good to me because I have been able to study subjects that interest me, such as IT and Business Management. Subjects such as Literacy and Numeracy are helpful for the future after completing Year 12. The teachers are amazing and the learning atmosphere is great for students. In 2020, I plan on entering RMIT and start my diploma course in Information Technology.



#### Simon Fernandez – T10

VCAL has been good for me as I enjoy the pace of learning, which is not stressful like VCE. I learn everyday things compared to things that will only be used in certain jobs. In 2020, I plan to continue doing Certificate IV in IT at Integrity Business College.



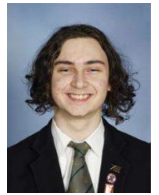
#### Patrick Deodato – B10

VCAL has been a good choice for me because it allows a more self-paced learning approach. VCAL teaches and engages us in a variety of different experiences and skills and give us a more interesting final year of high school. In 2020, I plan on continuing with further education and engaging in either part-time work or a traineeship.



#### Joel Dussi – B10

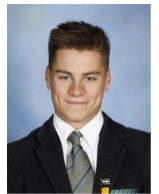
For me, VCAL was the transition from VCE to real life. I made a decision half way through Year 11 that VCE was not for me. VCAL was a lot more accommodating for me and has offered more experience and knowledge of other things like people with disabilities. In 2020, I most likely will work in the family business or get another job.



### School Based Apprenticeships

#### Saxon Hubbard - T10

VCAL has set up my future and provided me with the opportunity to do a school based apprenticeship. I will be able to get my Year 12 certificate and I am already a second year plumber. In 2020, I will continue to do my apprenticeship entering my 3<sup>rd</sup> year of plumbing and going to TAFE at the same time.



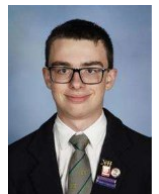
#### Nicholas Stamatopoulos – H10

VCAL has been a good experience for me because it has opened a lot of pathways for me. I have a school-based apprenticeship and I have learned all different skills through my course. In 2020, I will continue my apprenticeship and continue to learn new skills.



#### Samuel De Chalain - B10

VCAL has greatly improved my skills and my personality. It has also given me the knowledge and experience that will allow me to have a better idea about my future. Although I was a School Based Apprentice, I have decided to take a different track. I plan to do a Diploma Course at a TAFE College next year and which will lead me to perhaps studying to be a paramedic.





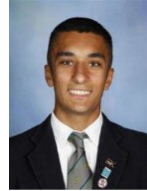
**Mitchell Correzzola – L10**

VCAL has given me opportunities that VCE could not. By doing a School Based Apprenticeship, I am already a 2<sup>nd</sup> year apprentice. It has also help me build skills I did not have before. In 2020, I will continue with my apprenticeship.



**Jake Stafrace – H10**

VCAL has been good for me because it has helped me pursue what I want to do in the future. In 2020, I plan on staying with my employer and continue to be an apprentice carpenter.



**Daniel Gangi – H10**

VCAL has been good for me because it has been an eye opener into the real world and I really like it. It has helped me not only to find a job but it helped me to figure out what I want to do. In 2020, I will be going on to full time work with my boss and finishing off my 2<sup>nd</sup> year as a plumber.



**Sport & Recreation**

**Che Watson – T10**

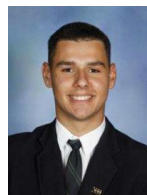
VCAL has helped me to get a better understand of myself and build my confidence on a personal level. The program has made me feel special and work with such great teachers and students. In 2020, I hope to get a job. I would like to continue playing high-level sports such as basketball and footy. I hope also to learn new skills.



**Automotive**

**Julian Marconato – B10**

VCAL has been good for me because it has helped me to find the course best suited for myself. In 2020, I plan on starting my apprenticeship in auto mechanics.



**Joshua Bulot – B10**

VCAL has been good for me because it has given me the opportunity to follow my future career. In 2020, I plan to work with my dad and become a full time apprentice in the family business.



**Business**

**Kevin Wu – L10**

VCAL has been good for me, as I have gained a lot of experience out of this course. It is more hands-on and I prefer this way of learning. In 2020, I am planning to go to RMIT to study a course in Accounting. I would like to do this course because I have an interest and am strong in Maths.



To all of our graduating VCAL students I wish you the very best as you commence your next journey.

**Mr Joe Herran**

**VCAL Convenor**

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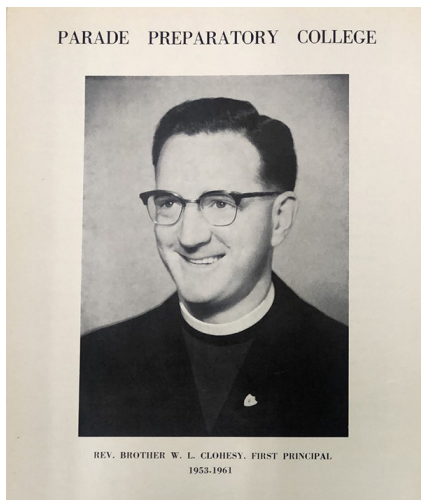

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## From The Old Paradians

### Inaugural Parade Preparatory Principal Bill Clohesy Dies

William ("Bill") Clohesy, formerly Brother WL Clohesy the founding Principal of the now-defunct Parade Preparatory College in Alphington, has died in Adelaide at the age of 94.



When the gates of the Flowerdale campus were formally opened on 3 February 1953, Bill took charge of one hundred and ten students, with the assistance of Brother Dyball and two lay teachers Mr. Ivor Davis and Mrs. V. Mills.

Brother Naughtin, in his tome *The Parade Story*, noted that when Archbishop Mannix solemnly blessed and opened the College on 15 March of that year, "for the time being the Brothers lived in East Melbourne, since a section of the residence had to be used for school purposes until a new school block could be built".

At Parade, Bill served as Principal whilst fulfilling his role as teacher to students of Years 5, 7 and 8. In 1956, he was appointed Superior of the Community for what would be a six-year term – after which he accepted the Principalship of St Virgil's Preparatory College in Austin's Ferry, Hobart.

On leaving the Brotherhood in Hobart, Bill met and married a widow with seven children. Not long after, he accepted the position of Deputy Director of Catholic Education in

Adelaide. A notice, placed in Adelaide's *The Advertiser*, advised that Bill, loving husband of Carmelita (deceased) died on 29 October at the Carmelite Retirement Home.

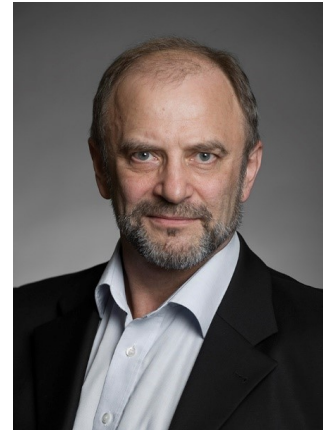
Full story, click here - <http://www.oldparadians.com.au/old-paradian-stories/inaugural-parade-prep-principal-bill-clohesy-dies>

### Old Paradians mourn the passing of John Wegner AO

It is with deep regret the Old Paradians' Association advises that the acclaimed opera singer John Wegner AO - a final year student of Parade College in 1967 and an inductee into the Association's Hall of Fame - died in Sydney on 18 November after a long battle with Parkinson's Disease.

John was two months short of his 70th birthday.

Born in West Germany, John was just a five year-old boy when he followed his mother across the globe in search of a new life in Australia. When his mother died soon afterwards, John was raised by his older brother in Melbourne.



Steadily adapting to his new environment, John successfully auditioned for the St Patrick's Cathedral choir - one of his earliest Melbourne musical experiences. Two years later in 1962 he was enrolled at Parade College where, for the next five years, he combined his academic and sporting pursuits. As a footballer and athlete of renown, John excelled in school sport and later represented the Old Paradians Athletics and Football Clubs. On his regular visits to the Association's Luncheons at the RACV City Club, John often remarked that he learned to sing in belting out the College song in the winner's circle after each on-field triumph.

Full tribute to John, click here - <http://www.oldparadians.com.au/old-paradian-stories/old-paradians-mourn-the-passing-of-john-wegner-ao>

**Mr Tony De Bolfo**  
**Old Paradians' Association CEO**

## Calendar

*The following important dates in the College calendar can also be found on our website under the 'News' tab*

18-29 Nov	* Year 10 Work Experience	3 December	* Christmas Carols Under The Cross
20-22 Nov	* Year 11 Camp		* Orientation Day Year 11 VCAL 2020
20 November	* Year 7 ACER Testing		* Homework Club
	* VCAA Exams Conclude	4 December	* Year 9 ExCEL Extended Learning Project 2020 (Week 1)
	* Year 7 2020 Solo Morning		* Homework Club
21 November	* Last Day ERPP Classes		* Christmas Carols 'Under the Cross' 7.30pm Rivergum Theatre
	* Year 7/8 Sports Finals	5 December	* Christmas Party for the Elderly
22 November	* Staff Professional Learning Day - Student Free Day		* ERPP 2020 Parent Information Evening
	* Opening of the Peter Bedford Centre	6 December	* Term 4 ends for students
25-29 Nov	* Headstart VCE 2020		* OPA Committee Christmas Dinner
	* Year 7 Retreat/Activity Week	8 December	* Second Sunday of Advent
	* Year 8 Activity Week	9 December	* 2020 Year 7 Orientation Day
	* Year 9 Camp Week		* Saturday Detention
25 Nov-6 Dec	* VCAL & Pathways (ERPP) Work Experience	10 December	* Reports released online to parents at 10am
25 November	* Finance Meeting		* New Staff Induction Day
26 November	* Homework Club	11 December	* OPA Christmas Lunch
27 November	* Senior Sport Round 1 2020	12 December	* VCE Results Released at 10am
	* Homework Club		* Preston Campus closes at 4.00pm for Christmas Break
28 November	* Strategic Planning Meeting	15 December	* Third Sunday of Advent
	* 2019 Annual Leadership Launch	20 December	* CEM Gazetted Conclusion of the School Year
1 December	* First Sunday of Advent		* Bundoora Campus closes at 12.30pm for Christmas Break
2-6 Dec	* Headstart 2020 Years 8-12	25 December	* Christmas Day
2 December	* Christmas Carols Rehearsals	26 December	* Boxing Day
	* Board Meeting & Dinner	1 January	* New Years Day



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*An Advent Prayer*

God of light and hope,  
 look upon us in love,  
 and fill us with the Spirit of Jesus  
 that we may love you and serve you in your kingdom.  
 Protect us during this week  
 and keep us watchful in prayer  
 as we await the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ,  
 who is the light of the world,  
 and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, for ever and ever.




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