



A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG MEN

No. 21 3 December 2020



From the Principal

End of the Year

We commenced this week the new academic year for senior students with their 2021 classes and conclude classes for all Year levels tomorrow (Thursday 4 December) with House Assemblies after lunch. On Monday we held a Year 12 2021 Assembly to mark the beginning of the 2020 Year 11 students becoming the leaders of the College as our Year 12 cohort. We also commissioned the 2021 Prefects.

Carols under the Cross becomes *Carols from the Couch* tonight at 7.30pm and will showcase the talents of our Music students and staff. I commend it to your viewing.

The student reports are being finalised and will be available electronically Monday 14 December at 10.00am.

Building Developments

- The new Preston Fitness Centre/Gymnasium is on track to be ready for the beginning of 2021 to welcome the first group of students into the Parade Sport Institute at Preston.
- The Waterford Sport Precinct is nearing completion. *(right of page: drone pictures of the grass being laid on Waterford Oval and the almost completed Pavilion and Changerooms)*
- Plans for new changerooms at Preston adjacent to the Ambrose Treacy Field are lodged with Darebin Council.



Above: Ambrose Treacy Pavilion (background) and Waterford Changerooms (foreground) nearing completion

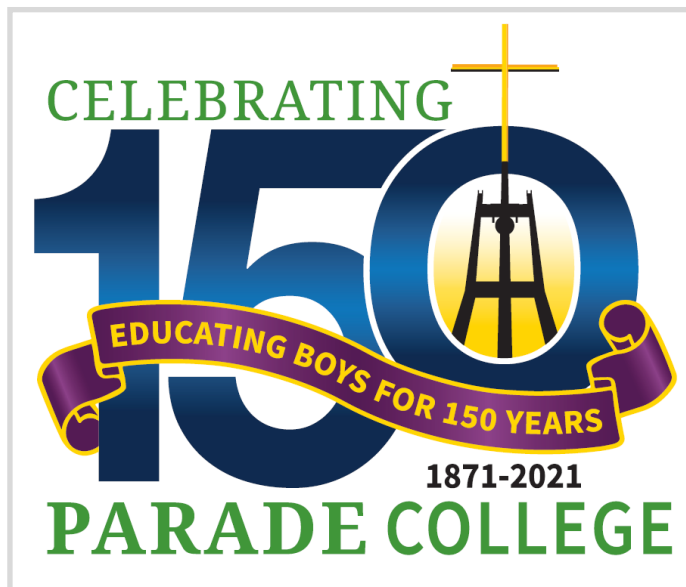


Above: Grass being laid (roll by roll) on the new Waterford Oval

2021 – Parade College 150th Anniversary

This is our last *Newsletter* for 2020. The first *Newsletter* for 2021 will be posted to families by 21 January with any necessary information for:

- Orientation on Monday 1 February for Years 7, 8 and 12;
- Transition Program and Classes for Years 7, 11 and 12 on Tuesday 2 February;
- Commencement of classes and timetable for all students on Wednesday 3 February.



2021 is a significant year in the life of the College. We will celebrate our sesquicentenary or our 150th Anniversary. Quite an achievement! We will have a number of events that we will publish soon.

We have much to celebrate as we recognise we stand on the shoulders of giants that have contributed so much to building our great College.

2020 Paradian

The 2020 *Paradian* is looking again to be an outstanding production and will be distributed to all students at the start of 2021.

I acknowledge the work of Adele Fernando-Swart and her committee in putting together another excellent College Year Book.

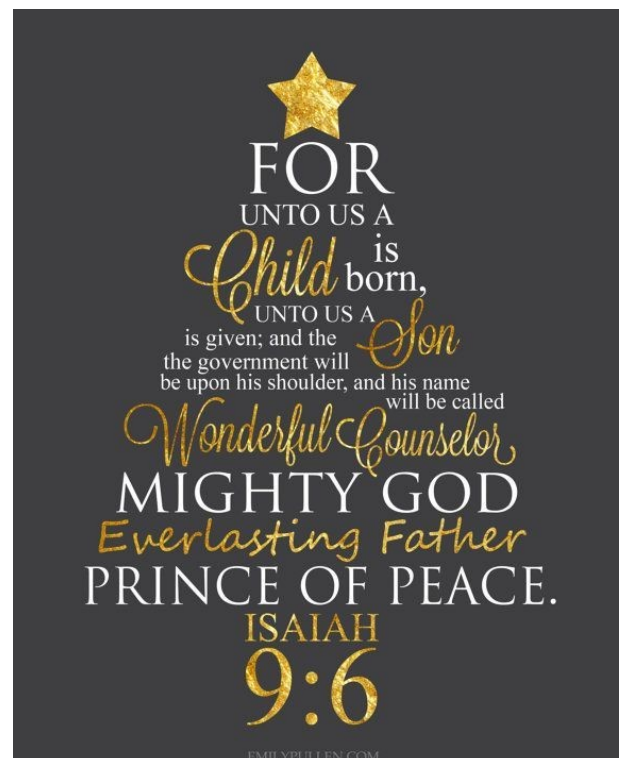
Christmas Blessings

I wish all our Parade families a safe and refreshing summer holiday and a happy and peace filled Christmas and New Year.

At the beginning of Advent, may we be ever grateful for the blessings showered upon us, and for resilience when tragedy strikes. As we await the coming of Jesus, may we pray:

*God of our ancestors, prophets and apostles,
of Abraham and Sarah, of Moses and Miriam,
of Mary and Joseph, of Anna and Simeon,
of Edmund Rice and Ambrose Treacy,
put within us in this season of advent the longing for
your coming that burned in those who journeyed
before us.
Amen.*

Andy Kuppe
Principal





From the Assistant Principal - Teaching & Learning

Class of 2020 VCAA Results

Congratulations to the Class of 2020 for graduating from Parade College and for completing final VCAA examinations which have now concluded.

VCE and VCAL results will be released by VCAA at 7.00am on Wednesday 30 December. Details on obtaining results are available on the back page of the VCAA Navigator.

Careers Support

Students seeking Careers and/or emotional support can have 'in person' appointments at the College on Wednesday 30 or Thursday 31 December:

Wednesday 30 December 2020 ~ 9.00am to 4.00pm

Onsite Careers meetings at Bundoora campus

Thursday 31 December 2020 ~ 9.00am to 3.00pm

Onsite Careers meetings at Bundoora campus

Students can book Careers meetings online via the Parade College Careers website www.paradecollegecareers.com.au or email Ms Sipsas at vivian.sipsas@parade.edu.au or Ms Harvey at sarah.harvey@parade.vic.edu.au

Students can book online Careers meetings via email to Ms Sipsas at vivian.sipsas@parade.edu.au

- **Saturday 2 January 2021**
9.00am to 5.00pm Careers meetings via MS Teams
- **Sunday 3 January 2021**
9.00am to 5.00pm Careers meetings via MS Teams
- **Monday 4 January 2021**
9.00am to 5.00pm Careers meetings via MS Teams

Change of Preference Support

Thursday 14 January to Wednesday 20 January 2021
Students should email Ms Sipsas at vivian.sipsas@parade.edu.au to organise a meeting or access assistance.

Emotional Wellbeing Support

The school counsellors will be on site at the Bundoora campus for any student who wants to discuss any feelings related to their VCE results.

Counsellors will be primarily supporting their own Houses, however students can elect to see whomever they feel comfortable with.

Students can book appointments or need only turn up at the times below.

The availability of counsellors is as follows:

Wednesday 30 December

- 9.00am to 12.30pm
Sharon Muir/Courtney Baglin (Bodkin/Preston)
- 12.30pm to 4.30pm
Damian Mahony (Hughes)

Thursday 31 December

- 10.00am to 1.00pm
Annette Magro (Treacy)
- 1.00pm to 4.00pm
Genevieve O'Connor (Lynch)

Counselling Offices are A43 to A46 upstairs in the Bond Centre.

Students can simply turn up or make an appointment at counsellors@parade.vic.edu.au

Year 12 2021 VCE and VCAL Day at La Trobe University

All Year 12 students – VCE, VCAL and Sports Academy – will launch into their 2021 school year with a fantastic opening day at La Trobe University on Monday 1 February.

Guest presenters, past students and staff from both La Trobe University and Parade will run a day that caters for all students in the Parade Class of 2021.

This is a compulsory event for ALL Year 12 students with the correct Summer school uniform to be worn. Students will need to make their own way to La Trobe University

(Plenty Road). Morning tea and lunch will be supplied. We see this as a fantastic way to kick start this important year of schooling.

More information will be sent to families regarding details. See the flyer on page 5 of this *Newsletter* with key information.

Year 9 (2021) – ExCEL Program

In Term one of next year, 2021 Year 9 students will be involved in an ExCEL orientation day which will occur on either Wednesday of Week 2 or Week 3 as part of your son's first Extended Learning Project (ELP) subject.

Families that are unfamiliar with the ExCEL program should be aware of the following points regarding ExCEL:

- Occurs on Wednesdays only
- Classes may be timetabled at either the Bundoora or Preston Campus. Families will be able to determine which campus from the room number on their sons SIMON timetable. Timetables will be available before the commencement of Term 1, 2021
- Students and families are expected to make their own arrangements regarding transport to and from whichever campus their timetabled ExCEL class occurs at
- All students require a valid Myki card, with sufficient funds, for the ExCEL orientation day and all other ExCEL excursions
- Correct Parade College sports uniform may be worn on Wednesdays
- Where an ExCEL excursion is scheduled, when that excursion is based in the city, students will need to make their own way to and from the designated meeting place (State Library) in the CBD. This will form part of the ExCEL Orientation program
- Changes to ExCEL subjects are not able to be made throughout the year

Parents will soon receive further information regarding Year 9 ExCEL (2021). For all ExCEL enquiries please contact Dr Janette Berglez, Curriculum Leader.

Mr Geoff Caulfield
Assistant Principal - Teaching and Learning



Clearing Lockers

All parents/guardians please note that students at both campuses have been advised that they **MUST** clear their lockers by Thursday 3 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 7 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

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For
God so
loved the
world He gave
His one and only
Son that whoever
believes in Him shall not
perish but have eternal life
John
3:16

YEAR 12 DAY

WHEN
Monday 1st
February 2021

WHERE
La Trobe University
West Lecture Theatre
Nearest corner of Plenty Rd and
Kingsbury Drive Bundoora

ATTENDANCE IS COMPULSORY
FOR ALL YEAR 12 STUDENTS
BUNDOORA AND PRESTON

8.30am START
Arrive at 8.15am
Make your own way to
and from La Trobe
University

Correct Summer School
Uniform must be worn

Morning Tea and Lunch will
be supplied.

Bring Pens, Paper
and a
Water Bottle.

VCE and VCAL tailored
sessions

Event concludes at 3pm

ABILITY is what you're capable of doing.
MOTIVATION determines what you do.
ATTITUDE determines how well you do it.



From the Assistant Principal - Organisation

2021 Term Dates and Students Holiday Absence

Please note below the 2021 Term dates. Parents are asked to consider carefully 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

Tuesday 26 January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 27 January	All Staff Return
Monday 1 February	Years 7, 8 and 12 Orientation Day
Tuesday 2 February	Years 7, 11 and 12 Students Commence Term 1
Wednesday 3 February	Years 8, 9 and 10 Students Commence Term 1
Monday 8 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Thursday 1 April	Term 1 Concludes

Term 2

Monday 19 April	Term 2 Commences
Sunday 25 April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Monday 14 June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 25 June	Term 2 Concludes

Term 3

Monday 12 July	Term 3 Commences
Friday 17 September	Term 3 Concludes

Term 4

Tuesday 5 October	Term 4 Commences
Tuesday 2 November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Friday 3 December	Term 4 Students Conclude
Friday 17 December	Staff Conclude, College Offices Close

Epipens and Excursions

Parents of students that are at risk of anaphylaxis should be aware that, in response to Ministerial Order 706, it is College policy and a requirement of legislation that students who attend the College must have supplied the College with a valid Epipen and a current anaphylaxis action plan for their personal use. When a student attends an excursion or event off the premises they must carry their individual College Epipen and their spare Epipen from home with them in order to attend that event. This is to ensure that sufficient medications are available should the student require them.

If parents have specific enquiries about Epipens please contact Ms Ireland in First Aid at our Bundoora Campus.

Mr Michael Callanan
Assistant Principal - Organisation



Technology Report

Year 9 Materials Design classes are making a difference to the local ecology by making nesting boxes for native birds.

With limited workshop time available due to our time in isolation learning, many of the Year 9s have chosen to construct a project with an environmental focus to finish off the year.



This project allows our boys to increase their knowledge of joinery techniques and precision measuring to ensure a cosy nesting site for our feathered friends. Options are also available for possum and bat nesting boxes.



In 2021 Ms Fogarty and myself will be working with the Sustainability Prefect Team to bring nesting boxes to bushfire affected areas to promote the re-establishment of native fauna where nesting sites may have been destroyed or compromised.

Mr Derek Rylah
Technology Teacher

BANYULE 2041
SHAPING OUR FUTURE

Banyule CITY COUNCIL
Shaping Banyule ၄၄
Banyule Youth Services

Young People's Workshop

Help us to create our new **Community Vision 2041** and **Council Plan**.

Imagine Banyule in 2041. What do you want the City to be like? What needs to be kept and preserved and what needs to change or improve? These are the questions we want your views on.

When: Wednesday 16 December 4:30-6:00pm	Where: Online	Who: 12 to 25 years old
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RSVP:
Shaping Banyule – [click here to register](#)

For more information please visit shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Banyule2041 or contact Kamal Singh or Bridget Ruff on 9490 4222.



From the Registrar

Future Students

Applications are now being accepted for all levels 2023 and beyond with Year 7 2023 enrolments closing Friday 20 August 2021.

It is important to note that if you already have a son currently at the College with a younger sibling in Year 5 2021 intending to commence Year 7 in 2023, it is a requirement that an application be submitted in accordance to the enrolment process and within the key dates.

To obtain an enrolment application please contact the Registrar office on 9468-3304 or email registrar@parade.vic.edu.au,

Alternatively you can download the application enrolment direct from the Parade webpage https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/Enrolment_Process.aspx

College Open Day – Sunday 14 February 2021

You are kindly invited to bring along any younger siblings to view our facilities at both our Bundoora and Preston campuses on this day.

Both campuses will be open from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Bookings are essential so please register your families interest by clicking here [Open Day Registration](#).

Parent Contact Details

Parents are reminded that it is vital for the College to have up-to-date personal details for parents, guardians and emergency contacts.

Please take a moment to visit your PAM profile and if any contact detail (emails, phone, address) requires revising, despite your changes to PAM being successfully undertaken, it is important that an email be sent to registrar@parade.vic.edu.au alerting to the change request. The registrar's office will then ensure the main College database is updated.

Students not returning in 2021

If your son is not returning in 2021 please contact the Registrar's office directly via email at registrar@parade.vic.edu.au so the correct process can be followed and the relevant paperwork completed.

Academy Uniforms - Online and Instore

All students are expected to commence their 2021 school year in the College uniform, which can be purchased from Academy Uniforms from their Thomastown store, or you can purchase online.

ACADEMY UNIFORMS

238 Wolseley Place

Thomastown

9460 8011

9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday

9.00am to 12 Noon Saturday

To purchase online:

1. Go to www.academyuniforms.com.au
2. Select ORDER ONLINE
3. Choose Parade College then enter the password: **Parade**

Academy Uniforms are located at 238 Wolseley Place, Thomastown, and can be contacted direct on 9460-8011.

If your son is new to Parade College in 2021, you are invited to book an in-store fitting appointment. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

1. Enter the code **h5vs2** and press 'go'
2. Enter your details
3. Select a date and time that suits your family

When you click 'finish', your appointment time will be emailed to you automatically.

If you do not receive your email immediately please check your junk mail folder and make sure you have spelt your email address correctly.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time and change your appointment. Remember to use the same name and email address used at the time of your original booking!

Parents wishing to change their times after the closing date should email me direct on registrar@parade.vic.edu.au

Student Photos 2021

Student photos will be taken on Monday 8 February 2021. Details for the day will be published in the January 2021 newsletter.

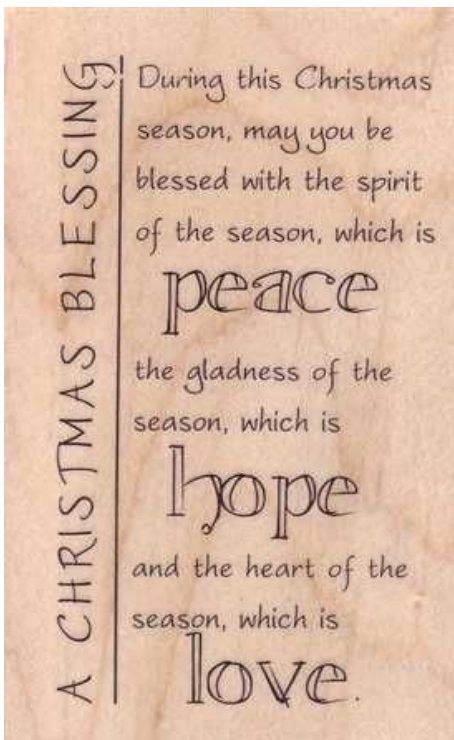
Photo day ordering envelopes will be distributed to boys on their return to school in the first week of Term 1 2021.

Christmas Wishes

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Enjoy the holidays with your families and we look forward to seeing the boys refreshed and ready for the year ahead.

Mrs Roslyn Tabacco
Registrar



BANYULE 2041
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CITY COUNCIL

Shaping Banyule

Banyule Service Providers Workshop

Help us to create our new **Community Vision 2041** and **Council Plan** and inform our **long-term Financial Plan**.

As service providers you play an important role in working with community to help deliver positive outcomes. By planning and working together we can strengthen our impact and outcomes for our clients and community.

This is your opportunity to shape the future of Banyule and ensure the needs and expectations of our community are represented.

When: Friday 4 December 10:00-11:30am

Where: Online

RSVP: Shaping Banyule – click here to register

For more information please visit shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Banyule2041 or contact Kamal Singh or Bridget Ruff on **9490 4222**.

Interpreter service
If you need an interpreter call TIS National on **131 450** and ask to be connected to Banyule Council on **9490 4222**.

TIS TRANSLATING AND INTERPRETING SERVICE



From the Director of Ministry

The Waiting Begins

The people in living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned (Matthew 4:16).

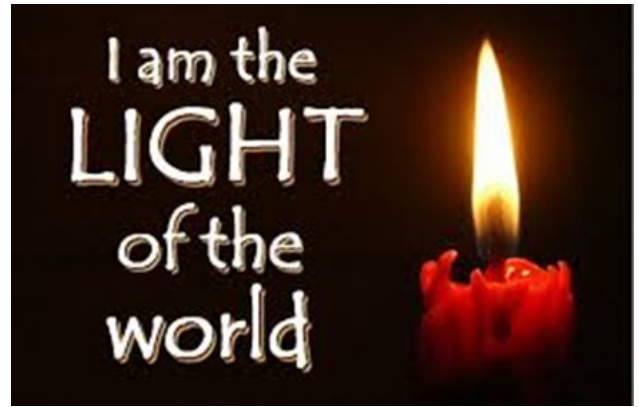
I love the idea of Diwali, festival of light, celebrated by the Sikh and Hindu members of our community. From what I know of it, it sounds a lot like Christmas, where we celebrate Jesus, coming into the world as our light, illuminating the way along the darkest of paths.

Last weekend marked the beginning of Advent, the Christian season of preparing, waiting, longing. This year, as we wait to mark and celebrate the birth of Jesus, we also wait for a vaccine that will signal a return to life as it was before COVID-19.

Although Victorians are now gradually enjoying more freedoms, each day we hold our collective breath for the number and do not take the zeros for granted. We know that our freedom is tenuous and desperately hope that it won't be curtailed again. We do truly wait for light to emerge out of this period of darkness as we empathise with and pray for the countries in the world that are hardest hit.

We wait too for what new world will emerge from this time. Will this world be closer to the one Jesus spoke of? A world where nobody gets left out?

Will a humble Church emerge from this time of closure, ready to learn from the darkness of the past and become the field hospital that Pope Francis urges us to be? A place where the mat just says *Welcome*, without qualification. A place where dialogue is difficult but inclusive and authentic and where real listening takes place? Where the lived experience of people is where the conversation starts, rather than with dogma, that sometimes leads to judgement, shame and alienation. That's why Jesus came after all:



The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full. (Matthew 10:10)

Will the experience of this time of COVID bring us closer together as human beings, as we rebuild and prepare for the threats of the future, whether that be viruses, war or climate change?

As people of the light, whatever our religious tradition, we believe in this possibility. And we know that it must move from belief to action, as we do whatever we can in our limited spheres of influence to make a difference.

Wishing all in the Parade College Community all the blessings of the Christmas season, when we celebrate the light. The light that is the source of all things, the light that lives within all of us, and the light that shows the way through the darkness and to a place where all are welcome, and all are free.

Mrs Kylie Kuppe
Director of Ministry





Community Action Report

Community Action Annual Christmas Appeal

Many thanks to the students and their families and staff for their generous contributions to the grocery collection.



We have been able to provide St Vincent De Paul, The Infinity Community Meal, the Greensborough All Saints Community Meal, and the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre with much needed donations for their Christmas hampers.

Year 10 Community Action Letter Writing Project

Our letter writing project has continued through Term 4 with the Year 10 students from Mr Houlihan, Mr Drew and Ms Harvey's RE classes, along with the Year 10 ERRP students, sharing their lives with aged care residents.

The project has been mutually beneficial to both parties. The letters continue to connect many of these residents, who have been excluded from their usual social networks during COVID -19, with our students who have enjoyed the opportunity to brighten their day.

Our students have been getting a history lesson from residents who write back about their very different school days, life during war time and the depression.

Our Year 10s have been able to get a greater understanding about the contributions older generations have made to our country and our lives.

Some students have developed meaningful connections with residents at Bundoora Retirement Village who have enjoyed the exchange of stories.

Resident Alice Rawe shared her reflections:

Earlier in the year a message came out to the residents asking if anyone would be interested in being a penpal to a student at Parade College.

I didn't respond at first as I felt I wouldn't know what to write about. However, a few weeks ago, during lockdown, several letters from Parade College Year 10 students were pinned to the noticeboard here at the Bundoora Retirement Village, again with a request for a show of interest.

As soon as I read the first letter, it struck a chord with me and I knew that I would like to write back to this student. I also began writing to a second student.

My only regret is that I didn't get involved with the scheme when we first heard about it.

Once I began the first letter I found there was much to write about. There were so many positive outcomes:

- It was a real joy to share thoughts and stories with young people*
- The response from the students was heartwarming*
- When writing about the world as it was during my childhood I found it brought back a flood of memories and gave me a flashback of some of the positives in my own life*
- On reflection, exchanging letters with these students has been a thoroughly enjoyable experience.*

Maxwell Callahan H07 struck up a friendship with his penpal:

My name is Max. I am a Year 10 student that recently got involved in the Year 10 Community Action program.

The program was a letter-writing pen-pal to elderly. I had the opportunity to send letters to Beryl, a resident at Bundoora retirement village.

I had an amazing time, sharing stories with her as we had similar interests in music, outdoor activities and experiences, despite our age difference.

Beryl and I had a lot in common and I am sad to see it come to an end.

I'm sure that other Year 10 students also loved it too as it was such a wonderful experience.

We extend our thanks to the residents who replied to students, and to the staff who distributed and read the letters to their residents.

Many thanks to the Year 10's for their generosity in giving time to the letter writing - this is a simple but powerful gesture that means much to an appreciative recipient.

Year 7 Retreat Day

On Tuesday 24 November the Year 7 students from both campuses took a break from their normal timetable and were given the opportunity to celebrate and reflect on their year.

The focus of the day was 'Connection', and students explored their connection to the school, to each other, and to their environment in a range of activities with their RE class.

The highlight of the day for many was guest presenter Scott Darlow. Scott, a Yorta Yorta descendant, is a passionate Indigenous activist and a talented musician. He spoke to the students about his life experience and gave them advice about bullying and self-image. His central message was based on his key word "FLUTE" (Forgiveness, Love, Understanding, Tolerance and Empathy).

Scott advised the Year 7s to use that acronym in their daily life to develop their 'best self'.

The day culminated in an 'Amazing Race' around the college that saw them reconnecting with the grounds of Parade.

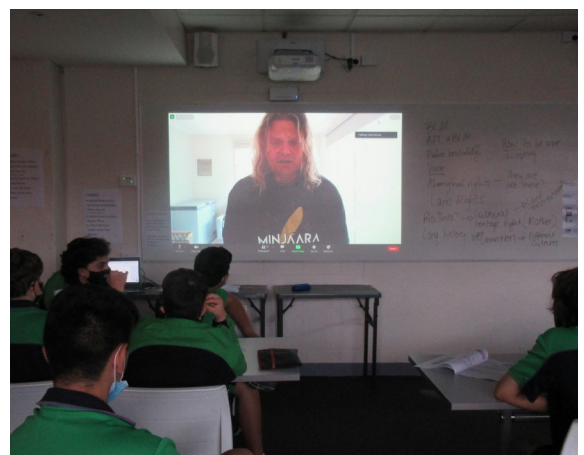
Student Reflections - Myles Adlard B12

On Tuesday 24 November all the year 7 participated in a reflection day. This was an opportunity for students to be involved in team and friendship building activities. These included a team race to find information about the College, and just having time to sit and talk to others. These activities were done from period 3 to 6 in our normal class group.



During the third period of the day we participated in a Zoom call with Scott Darlow, a modern aboriginal musician who is raising awareness about aboriginal culture through his music. He introduced us to his favourite word, FLUTE, an acronym that stands for Forgiveness, Love, Understanding, Tolerance and Empathy. He told us to use this every day to help ourselves and the others around us.

We also participated in some activities that reflected on the unpredictable year it has been. The main word was **RESILIENCE** and how being resilient is so important. We reflected on the year and things that were challenging for us. Some people may have struggled during online learning, and for some people it may have been easier, but on reflection day we reflected on these things and helped each other. Overall it was a fun filled day with interesting activities.





Student Reflections - Yasen Al-Zaidi B20

On Tuesday 24 November all the Year 7 students gathered in the CCLC to do an end of year reflection day.

In the first two periods we learnt a bit about Scott Darlow and had a Zoom meeting with him. He explained how he grew up and many of the struggles that Aboriginal Peoples face in the modern day and the cruel treatment they have faced in the past.

He also shared a bit about his childhood including how alcoholism and gambling took over his dad's life. At the end of the period we listened to some of his music and made some Aboriginal inspired art to wrap up the period.

In period five we learned about Youth Mission Team Australia and watched some of videos - it really educated us and encouraged us to believe in ourselves and be resilient.



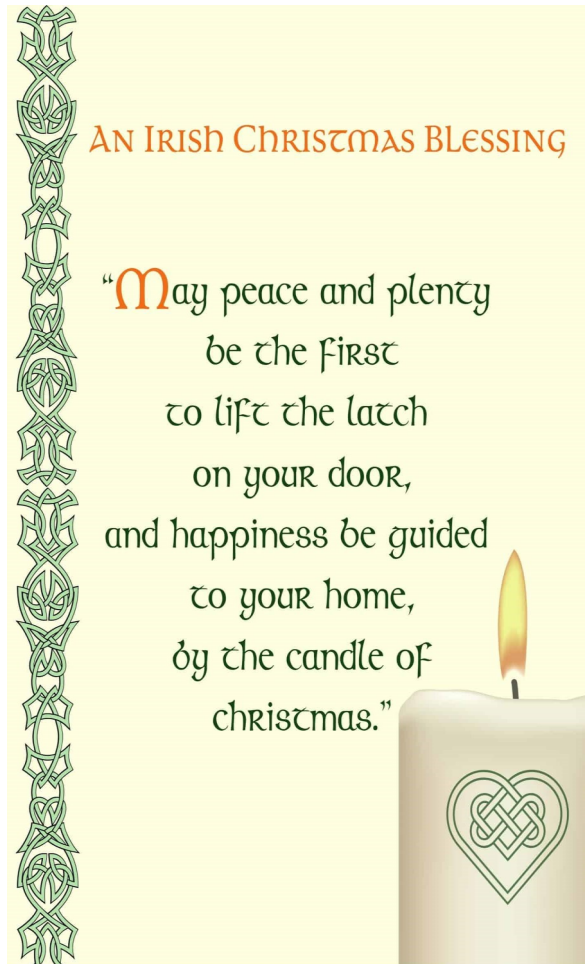
In the last period we did the amazing race where we raced around the campus in teams and completing tasks as a team and helping each other.

I mostly enjoyed doing the amazing race because we worked together as a team. I also enjoyed watching the Youth Mission Team videos and teaching us to be more resilient.

Final Message for 2021

May the spirit and magic of the Christmas season fill your home with joy and peace.

Ms Anne-Marie Morello
Community Action Convenor





Preston Indigenous Garden

Year 8 student Jailen Cox H20 and staff members Susan Mirabillo and Shelley Ware recently designed Indigenous artwork for the Preston Indigenous Garden.

The design is based on the story called Parntu Thayilana Wiiithi (Cod Eating Yabbies).

It's about a Granny who used to catch cod at the Iron Pole one mile out of Wilcannia on the eastern side of the river. She used to go to this spot and fish all the time.

In Susan's design she wanted to show how a cod and a yabby were found in the river.

The background behind the water creatures are circles of dots representing water.

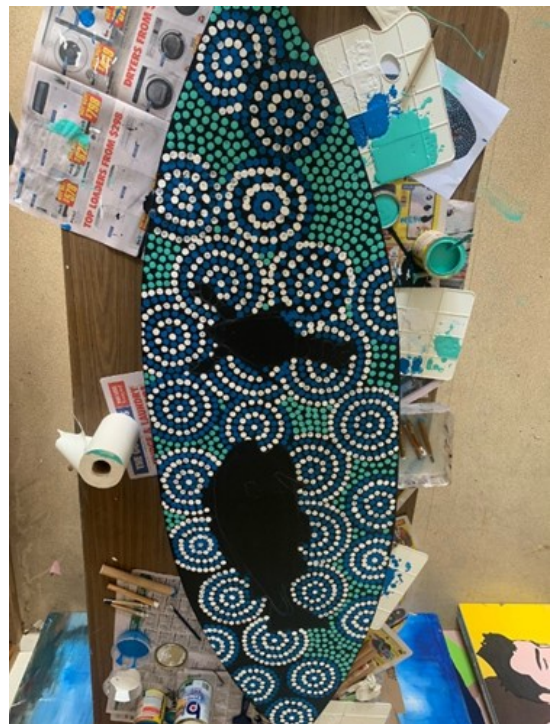
Mr Jacob Williams
Coordinator of Development and Student Wellbeing,
Preston



Above: Jailen Cox begins painting the artwork

Far Left: Half-way through the painting

Below: The finished artwork





BNTS Ambassadors

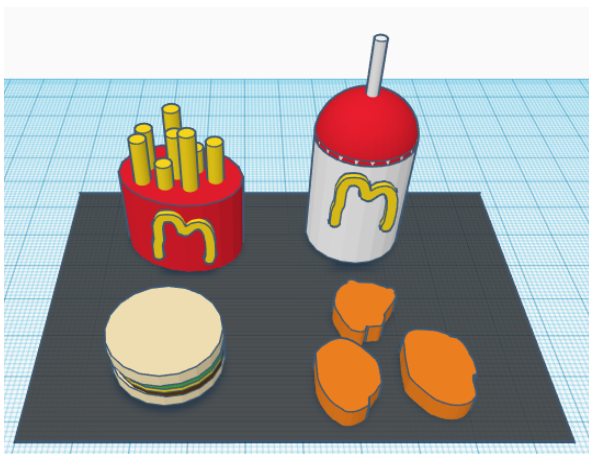
Since 2017, Parade students have represented the College as Student Ambassadors at the Banyule-Nillumbik Tech School. Despite moving online in 2020, three students, Jack Mitchell (T11), Max McArdle (H20), and Jordan Carter (H03) participated in this year's Tech School virtual events.

The Banyule-Nillumbik Tech School, situated in Greensborough, is a Victorian government initiative to empower young people in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics).

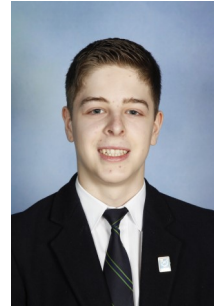
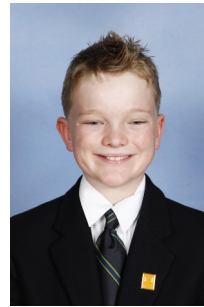
The Tech School, in partnership with twenty schools in the Banyule-Nillumbik area, develop and run specialist programs and activities that help prepare local students for the challenges of the future and the changing nature of work.

In the past, Tech School Student Ambassadors would be involved in designing and organising a Maker Faire for primary school students, however, with the challenge of moving this process online, the Tech School instead has focused on developing students' digital skills.

From home in Terms 2 and 3, and from school in Term 4, students took part in Masterclass sessions in the use of TinkerCAD (a 3D modelling program), Adobe Illustrator (a vector graphics editor), and micro:bit (a pocket-sized codeable computer).



TinkerCAD design by Jack Mitchell T11



Above L-R: Jack Mitchell Yr7 T11, Max McArdle Yr8 H20, and Jordan Carter Yr10 H03

The response from the Parade Ambassadors was overwhelmingly positive, with Jordan noting that, "They opened me up to new and exciting hobbies and skills, and showed me how creative I can be".

Jack greatly enjoyed the variety in the programs, "I especially liked when I made a 3D model of a game of hide and seek", and Max is, "looking forward to using these skills in the future and developing them even further".

Jack, Max, and Jordan should be commended for their commitment as Ambassadors, and for the enthusiasm in which they took part in the online sessions.

Mr Dante Gabriele
Director of Programs - Nash Learning Centre





Nash Learning Centre

Parade Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all the boys who participated in the reading challenges and competitions run by the Learning Centres this year. The book give-aways and the six-word story writing and voting proved to be popular with the students.

Students who took part in the Parade Reading Challenge this year are listed below. These students read at least fifteen books during a challenging year. These students earned House points and badges.

Bodkin

- Year 7: Myles Adlard B12, Elvin Prince B15, Eam Huy Choeru B16, Arjun Srinivasan B18, Flynn Hassett B19
- Year 8: Charlie Mercuri B15, Aditya Thakur B18, Jack Stone B20
- Year 9: Wilson Wild B12, Ellis Prince B17, Xavier Hannan B21

Hughes

- Year 7: Lachlan Elia H15, Sehaj Pal Singh H20, David Huang H21
- Year 8: Thisal Gamage H11, Jorge Koutsoubos H20, Finn Montagnana-Wallace H21, Ram Sambathkumar H21
- Year 9: Rex Kelly H21

Lynch

- Year 7: Harry James L12, Niall Wamaitha L13, Alessio Manca L14, Ochinthya Gamage L19, Joshua Duncan L21, Dan Ngo L21
- Year 8: Julian Raic L11

Treacy

- Year 7: Riley Giosis T11, Nicholas Peh T12, Arya Roy Chowdhury T16, Alexander Larocca T17, Jaden Silva T17, Aran Visakan T18, Julian Piazza T18, Oscar Trinh T20, Cameron Milton T20,
- Year 8: Aidan Foster T17



READING MATTERS AT PARADE

Thisal Gamage H11, Julian Raic L11 and Ochinthya Gamage L19 distinguished themselves by reading the most books.

Million Word Club

The following boys also met the challenge of reading one million words or more. These students have read consistently to achieve this goal and have earned certificates, badges, House points and prizes.

Bodkin

- Year 7: Myles Adlard B12, Elvin Prince B15, Arjun Srinivasan B18,
- Year 8: Charlie Mercuri B15, Aditya Thakur B18
- Year 9: Wilson Wild B12, Ellis Prince B17, Xavier Hannan B21

Hughes

- Year 7: Lachlan Elia H15, Noah Caiafa H18, Sehaj Pal Singh H20, David Huang H21
- Year 8: Thisal Gamage H11, Jorge Koutsoubos H20, Finn Montagnana-Wallace H21, Ram Sudhersan Sambathkumar H21
- Year 9: Rex Kelly H21

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- Year 7: Harry James L12, Niall Wamaitha L13, Angus Tucker L13, Alessio Manca L14, Ochinthya Gamage L19
- Year 8: Julian Raic L11



Treacy

Year 7: Riley Giosis T11, Arya Roy Chowdhury T16, Alexander Larocca T17, Jaden Silva T17, Aran Visakan T18, Julian Piazza T18, Gabriel Pilone T19, Oscar Trinh T20, Cameron Milton T20,

Year 8: Aidan Foster T17

Year 9: Luke Bawden T11

Nine students earned the status of being multi-millionaire readers and Julian Raic L11, Ochinthya Gamage L15 and Thisal Gamage L19 are to be congratulated as they were the readers of the highest number of words.

Holiday Reading

Continuing to read throughout the Summer holidays helps maintain students' levels of reading and comprehension.

During the Summer break students can still access all the Learning Centres' ePlatforms – Wheelers (eBooks and eAudio), Sora (eBooks), BorrowBox (eAudio), MyON (Non-fiction eBooks and eAudio). These are accessed through SIMON and use the same login and password as students' laptops.

There are lots of fabulous eBooks and eAudio books available. For eMagazines, the RB Digital platform is entered with the student email as login, and the usual student laptop password.

For access to news – Inkl and The Age are free to all students and staff.

Clickview videos are also available through the holidays.

Mrs Fernando-Swart
Services Manager NLC

Calendar

3 December	* Term 4 Ends for Students
	* House Final Assemblies
4 December	* Correction and Report Writing Day
6 December	* Second Sunday of Advent
7 December	* Board Meeting
	* 'Saturday' Detention
13 December	* Third Sunday of Advent
14 December	* Reports Released Online 10.00am
15 December	* Year 7 2022 Final Date for Accepting Offer
18 December	* College Reception Closes 12.30pm
20 December	* Fourth Sunday of Advent
25 December	* Christmas Day
30 December	* VCE Results Released for Year 12s
13 January	* Bundoora Reception Opens
20 January	* EREA Student Leaders Conference (Online)
21 January	* Preston Reception Opens
26 January	* Australia Day
27 January	* Staff Return
1 February	* Year 7 2021 Orientation Day
	* Year 8 2021 Orientation Day
2 February	* Years 7, 11 & 12 Students Commence
3 February	* Years 8, 9 & 10 Students Commence



CHRISTMAS IS THE CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS, THE SAVIOUR OF MANKIND



Careers @ Parade

2020 has been a busy and challenging year for the Careers Team at Parade College. Highlights have included facilitating the process of Year 9 students completing the Morrisby Online Assessment as part of Excel Career Voyager, Year 10 students preparing Resumes and Cover Letters, undertaking a range of Career Exploration activities and completing a Virtual Work Experience program and Careers and subject counselling for hundreds of students in Years 9 to 12 both at school and online.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all students and parents for their support of the Parade College Careers program this year and we look forward to once again supporting and assisting all students in their Career journey in 2021.

Year 12 students - Accessing your VCE study scores and results

VCE study scores, ATAR and VTAC Scaled Study Scores will be available to students via the Results and ATAR website and the Results and ATAR app on Wednesday 30 December 2020 at 7.00am.

Students will receive a statement of VCE study scores from the VCAA and those who applied for courses through VTAC this year and have paid their VTAC processing fees, will be sent an ATAR statement in the mail.

Students who wish to receive their results online will need to register at <https://resultsandatar.vic.edu.au/results/applicants.htm> before results are released.

Registrations are already open and students are encouraged to register soon.

Note: To register, students need their VCAA student number and will be requested to choose a secure password.



A Reminder of Important Year 12 Dates

ATAR Release

Wednesday 30 December 2020

Change Of Preference

30 December 2020 to 4 January 2021

Change of Preference (COP) closes

12 Noon Monday 4 January 2021

January Round International Offers

Thursday 7 January 2021

January Round Domestic Offers

Thursday 14 January 2021

February Offer Rounds

Monday 1 February 2021 onwards

Careers Support Following Results Release

Please note the following information regarding Careers support that will be available to Parade College students following results release on Wednesday 30 December.

Careers Meetings Onsite at the College

Wednesday 30 December 2020 ~ 9.00am to 4.00pm

Thursday 31 December 2020 ~ 9.00am to 3.00pm

The above meetings will be held at the Bundoora Campus. Students may book Careers meetings online via the Parade College Careers website www.paradecollegecareers.com.au or email Ms Sipsas at vivian.sipsas@parade.edu.au or Ms Harvey at sarah.harvey@parade.vic.edu.au

Careers Meetings Online via MS Teams

- **Saturday 2 January 2021**

9.00am to 5.00pm Careers meetings via MS Teams

- **Sunday 3 January 2021**

9.00am to 5.00pm Careers meetings via MS Teams

- **Monday 4 January 2021**

9.00am to 5.00pm Careers meetings via MS Teams

Students may book Careers meetings via email to Ms Sipsas at vivian.sipsas@parade.edu.au

Change of Preference Support

Thursday 14 January to Wednesday 20 January 2021

Students email Ms Sipsas at vivian.sipsas@parade.edu.au to organise a meeting or access assistance.

Ms Vivian Sipsas

Careers Convenor



**Christmas Carols
'From the Couch'
2020**

**WEDNESDAY 2ND DECEMBER
MS TEAMS LIVE EVENT
7:30PM
SEE NEWSLETTER FOR
DETAILS TO JOIN THE EVENT**



From the Director of Music

Christmas Carols 'From the Couch'

To round off 2020, we are excited to present our first ever Christmas 'Carols from the Couch' to be staged as a live streamed event on MS Teams **TONIGHT**, Wednesday 2 December, at 7.30pm.

Students and staff have been hard at work over the past few weeks as part of their ensembles to prepare a number of musical items for us to gather one last time in 2020, from the comfort of your couch, to reflect on what has been an extraordinary year.

To join the event, all you will need to do is [click here](#) or, alternatively, copy and paste the below link into your web address bar a few minutes before 7.30pm. There is no requirement to have the Microsoft Teams application downloaded as there is an option to view in your web browser.

Event link: https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_N2I0OTIiYtktMWM1MS00NTc3LThhZjAtMDgxMjlmMWIzNWRj%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22dee99a24-a6d4-4a3c-b613-d657119acc97%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22d01a8d11-a686-450b-9dee-f5730fd97233%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d

While this may not be the grand affair we are missing at the moment and does not replace our traditional carols event, it promises to be a wonderful evening of collegiality and reflection and a great display of the efforts and achievements of our Parade students during a year far from ordinary.

We encourage all families and members of the wider Parade College community to join us and spread the Christmas spirit.

Instrumental Music Enrolments

2021 Instrumental Music enrolments remain open and we encourage students from all year levels to sign up. The College offers tuition on a range of instruments including guitar, piano, woodwind and brass in both individual and small group lessons.

Learning an instrument is a fantastic way for students to immerse themselves into College life and make new friends along the way as part of their individual ensemble. Research has also shown it is a fantastic way to strengthen memory and literacy skills, and enhance overall mental health and wellbeing.

The enrolment form can be accessed at [this link](#) or via the College website following these steps: Education --> Music --> Instrumental Lesson Booking Form.

A final reminder to all families currently enrolled in the Instrumental Music Program, will not need to re-enrol your son for lessons in 2021. Your enrolment will last for the duration of your son's time at the College, unless a formal request for withdrawal is submitted in writing at least eight weeks prior as per the enrolment policy.

More in depth information regarding the Instrumental Music Program can be found in the Instrumental Music Handbook on the [College website](#). Any further questions or concerns can be directed to music@parade.vic.edu.au.

Music Scholarships

Following a successful launch in 2020, the Music Department is pleased to confirm that Music Tuition Scholarships will be once again offered in 2021 to enhance the development of eager music students.

Please follow [this link](#) for further information and to download the application form. Applications will close on Friday 12 February 2021.

Any further questions can be directed to music@parade.vic.edu.au.



Instrument Holiday Hire

As the end of the year draws near, a reminder to families regarding the instrument return and hire process over the summer holiday period.

As part of the terms and conditions of the College's instrument hire process, all hired College instruments must be returned to the Music Department by **Thursday 3 December** at the latest for cataloguing and maintenance over the summer break. In addition, all instrumental lockers must be cleared and cleaned out by this date, the final day of Term Four for students.

There will be an opportunity for dedicated students who are continuing as part of the Instrumental Music Program in 2021 to hire a College instrument over the summer holiday period completely free of charge. Interested students are asked to fill out [this summer instrument hire form](#) and ensure it is returned to the Music Department before the commencement of the summer break.

Please note, even if students are interested in continuing his instrument hire over the summer holidays, they will still need to present their instrument to the Music Department for cataloguing and inspection before the end of the year. All instruments hired over the summer holidays will need to be returned at the start of the Term 1 next year and a new instrument hire agreement will need to be completed for 2021.

2021 Musical Production

Given the current circumstances, we are unfortunately unable to stage a musical in our traditional form at the Rivergum Theatre in 2021. However, the Production Team has been hard at work to come up with a new format for our 2021 production:

A Night at the Drive-In: Musical Rewind

The production will feature hit songs from a number of well-known worldwide musicals which will be professionally filmed and edited and then screened at a one night only event at the Coburg Drive-In cinema on **Friday 14 May 2021**.

The Audition Pack is available to students both on SIMON and at [this link](#) and contains further information regarding the production process for next year.

We encourage all families to save the date and join us for what will be a unique event for both Parade and Mercy College.

Any further questions regarding the production or the virtual audition process can be directed to music@parade.vic.edu.au.

Thank You

Before we sign off for the end of the year, we just wanted to thank families for their continued support of the Music program at Parade College during this year like no other. Music is an integral part of College life at Parade and our achievements this year are a testament to the dedication and passion of our talented Music students and staff.

As the College enters its 150th anniversary celebrations next year, we look forward to a grander 2021 for the Music Department. Stay tuned for further announcements early next year regarding some exciting events.

Until then, we wish all families a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday.

Ms Melissa Calia
Director of Music





From The Old Paradians

“He Was A Great Product Of Parade”

Des Reardon, a final year student of Parade's Class of 1957 and a regular at the Old Paradians' Association's Monthly Luncheons at Melbourne's RACV City Club, has passed away after a short illness.

Des, who would have celebrated his 80th birthday in mid-January, died on Monday 16 November in Heidelberg's Olivia Newton-John Cancer Wellness & Research Centre.

So ended a life well-lived.

Des's wife of 54 years Margaret this week paid tribute to her soulmate – “a fine man” whom she first met at the taxation office in Lonsdale Street where they were both employed.

“Des was an only child who grew up in Middle Park and attended the Carmelite boys school. For years he organized reunions of those in his classes there,” Margaret said.

“He was very loyal, very determined and had very definite ideas on things . . . he also had a great love for the South Melbourne Football Club because of where he grew up and he's been a continuous Member of the Swans since 1948.”

On completing Year 10, Des crossed town to the 'Old Bluestone Pile' to complete two years matriculation. At 17 he took on a course in accountancy at night school in North Melbourne just as he joined the taxation office – and there he remained until the age of 55 when a heart attack forced an early retirement.

Des overcame that physical setback and pursued an active life to the full as a willing participant in squash, tennis and bowls - and for years he bowled at the Heidelberg Club where he also capably served as President and Treasurer.

“We were both very fortunate that we were able to do the things we wanted to do,” Margaret said.



“We both looked after our parents and when the opportunity arose we travelled. Des loved to travel and so did I. He'd decide where we'd go and I'd joined him.”

Through the course of their 55 years as Rosanna residents, Des and Margaret raised their two children Cathy and Greg, with Des an active parishioner at the nearby St Martin of Tours Church.

The years came and went, but, Des's school friendships endured. At the RACV City Club, he broke bread with old mates like Vin Arthur, Peter Jackson, Pat McNamara and Paul Power at the Association luncheons.

“Des loved those luncheons, he loved to reconnect with those of his vintage and he loved Parade,” Margaret said.

“He kept his school photos and his old badges. He kept them all because the school meant a lot to him.”

Des was diagnosed with cancer in late July after being hospitalised with a broken collarbone. “He bent down to remove a weed from the garden and his collarbone just snapped,” Margaret said.

“Tests revealed a secondary cancer there, then they found it in Des's oesophagus and lungs. It all happened very quickly, but the nurses and staff at Olivia Newton-John were terrific and they've since rung to offer their support.”

Des is survived by his beloved wife Margaret, children Cathy and Greg and four grandchildren Nick, Emily, Liam and Patrick.

“When you’re young you don’t know who you’re going to meet, but in meeting Des I was very lucky,” Margaret said. “He was a wonderful husband and friend, and a good and kind man. He was a great product of Parade.”

Old Paradians’ Association

Inviting all graduating students, current students and families to register with the Old Paradians’ Association to be informed about our reunions, events, networking and employment opportunities.

Update your LinkedIn profile to list Parade College as your school and join the ever-growing network on Facebook, twitter and Instagram. Connect now <https://www.oldparadians.com.au/our-stories/connect>

Mr Tony De Bolfo
Old Paradians’ Association CEO

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An opportunity for Year 9 – 11
students in August 2021.

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