



A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES

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From the Principal

Welcome back to all of our students and families to Term 2. We hope that you enjoyed Easter with your families and friends.

ANZAC Day

Yesterday we commemorated ANZAC Day. We remember that Old Paradians fought and died in each major campaign and many Old Paradians are serving in Australia's armed forces today.

We remember in a particular way those who served in the 1st and 2nd World Wars and the Vietnam Wars in the Honour Boards in the Hickey Foyer. The chief architect of the first ANZAC Day solemn service was an Anglican priest, Canon David John Garland, who pictured an "All Souls' Day for Australia" in 1916, to commemorate the losses suffered at Gallipoli.



His wish was for the service to be acceptable to all faiths and denominations or it would not be observed. I think observing ANZAC Day provides an opportunity for all of us to reflect on life its meaning and its tragedies.

ANZAC Day, whilst in many ways a secular ceremony, has spiritual components that resonate for us as a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition - be it in the sacrifice, in the lowering of the flag, the bugle call, the minute's silence - something's calling us and as people of faith, we would believe that's God calls to us in these sacred moments.

Lest We Forget

Edmund Rice Day - Sunday 5 May

On Sunday 5 May, the feast day of Blessed Edmund Ignatius Rice is celebrated around the world. As a Catholic School in the Edmund Rice tradition, we offer both hope and inspiration to our young people and aim to live out of the Charism of Blessed Edmund.

The Charter for schools in the Edmund Rice Tradition highlights four Touchstones, which guide us in our daily mission. One of the Touchstones of the Charter, Liberating Education, can be summarised here:

'We open hearts and minds, through quality teaching and learning experiences, so that through critical reflection and engagement each person is hope - filled and free to build a better world for all'.

As we note in another Touchstone, Justice and Solidarity, it is Jesus' message of compassion, justice, and peace that we seek to make a living reality for all people.



Mothers Day Breakfast - Tuesday 14 May

Mothers and Carers are invited to attend this year's Mothers Day Breakfast with their son's on Tuesday 14 May in the Frank Mount Rooms.

Please see the advertisement on this page for more details.

College Musical with Santa Maria College - Mary Poppins

We look forward to the upcoming musical production of Mary Poppins, with Santa Maria College. Our students have been thoroughly enjoying the rehearsals and we look forward to a wonderful show in May.

This year, the musical will be staged at Santa Maria to mark the commencement of our partnership. I sincerely thank all of the staff from both schools for their efforts in working with the students in the lead up to these shows.

Mr Mark Aiello
Principal

As a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition, we are invited to think about the challenges that other people face and to see how we can contribute to God's mission of making the world a better place for all.

Next week, we will take the opportunity to reflect on the life of Blessed Edmund Rice.

Mother's Day Breakfast

Parade College and the Parents of Parade (POP) warmly invite mothers and carers of our community to join us for breakfast with your son, prepared by Pancakes On The Run

Tuesday 14 May
7:30am - 8:30am
Frank Mount Rooms, adjacent to the Garvey Oval

<https://events.humanitix.com/parade-college-mother-s-day-breakfast>

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From the Assistant Principal - Student Wellbeing

Our Wellbeing Team welcomes you and your son back to Term 2. I hope all of our families enjoyed some peaceful and fun-filled moments with each other throughout the Easter holidays. We look forward to settling in again and assisting students and families as we continue into the school year.

College Winter Uniform

Communication was sent to all families and student emails in the first week of the school holidays to assist with your winter uniform preparation and general appearance expectations. This included a letter outlining the required Winter Uniform items and the Uniform Policy. Hopefully, this assisted in the preparation of uniform items for your son for the commencement of the Term.

The Student Wellbeing Team was out and about at the buses to greet our students last week and will continue to greet the students each morning as they arrive. Given the colder weather, please ensure your son has the additional warmer College garments, these items can be purchased online or at the Bundoora campus Uniform Shop.

<https://academyuniforms.com.au/>

The College Blazer, tie, and winter long sleeved shirts are all essential items as part of our College Academic Winter Uniform and students must wear these to and from school when they are wearing their academic uniform.

The College's Bundoora Campus Uniform Shop is open each Tuesday and Friday. Please see the times outlined below, and flyers can be found on SIMON in the Student Bulletin each day.

Bundoora Campus Uniform Shop Opening Hours

Tuesdays: 12.30pm to 2.00pm

Fridays: 8.00am to 9.00am

Staff will be checking student uniforms as they arrive at school and classes, if necessary, alerting the relevant House Leaders or Wellbeing Leaders of students wearing incorrect uniforms. Your sons' Tutor Teacher may require further

clarification and communication, in this case, you may receive a phone call or email.

School TV - A Special Report: Mobile Phone Separation Anxiety

The use of mobile phones and technology in schools has been a highly debated topic internationally, including in Australia. Almost all states and territories in Australia, have implemented full bans on mobile phones during class, recess, and lunch times while allowing students to carry their phones during travel to and from school.

At Parade College, phones are to be turned off and placed in student lockers and bags between 8.35am to 3.15pm. If phones are used in classrooms or break times during the school day they can be confiscated and stored at Student Reception.

Critics argue that there is no evidence supporting the effectiveness of such bans, but this is a mischaracterisation. Studies have shown the positive impacts of mobile phone bans in schools.

One study conducted in 2016, found that banning mobile phones led to an increase in student performance, with test scores improving by 6.4% of a standard deviation. Similar studies from Spain and Norway also supported these findings.

For parents concerned about mobile phone separation anxiety in their children, it is important to acknowledge it as a real issue and discuss the negative effects of phone addiction, such as sleep problems and mental health issues. Gradually introducing phone - free periods at home, setting clear expectations and boundaries, and modelling healthy behaviours can help your child cope.

It is also crucial to establish a support network and seek professional help if needed. Implementing mobile phone bans in schools allows for better focus on teaching and learning, minimising distractions and interruptions.

This Special Report will help address mobile phone separation anxiety and provide guidance on supporting your child's wellbeing during this transition period. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this Special Report, and as always, we welcome your feedback.



If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report:

https://parade.vic.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-mobile-phone-separation-anxiety

Collins Oval Access - Years 7 and 8

The Collins Oval is available at lunchtime to all Year 7 and 8 students only. This designated playing area has been assigned to these two Year levels so that they can have their own space to play sports away from the older year groups under adult supervision.

Proactive Policing Unit - Year 7 Students

After the hugely successful session run by the Proactive Policing Unit (PPU) last Term addressing online safety and cyberbullying from a legal standpoint for Years 8 and 9. Parade College is delighted to welcome the PPU back onsite on 24 May to deliver the same session to our Year 7 cohort.

This promises to be equally successful and supportive of our young men's development and awareness of online safety, their rights, and responsibilities.

Normalising Discussions Around Mental Health - Beyond Blue Community Speaker

Having a Community Speaker from Beyond Blue serves a crucial purpose in normalizing conversations around mental health. Bringing someone who has lived experience with mental health challenges into community settings, helps break down stigma and fosters understanding.

On Friday 26 April, a speaker from Beyond Blue will be addressing interested Year 11 and 12 students in the Rivergum at 1.00pm. He will present his journey of hope, recovery, and resilience with depression.

Upcoming Middle School Student Leadership Programs and Initiatives

Parade College Year 10 and 11 leaders will be participating in the Northern Education Alliance Student Leadership Program

during Term 2 and 3. The program will provide opportunities for students to build their leadership capacity, work collaboratively in teams, and expand their influence.

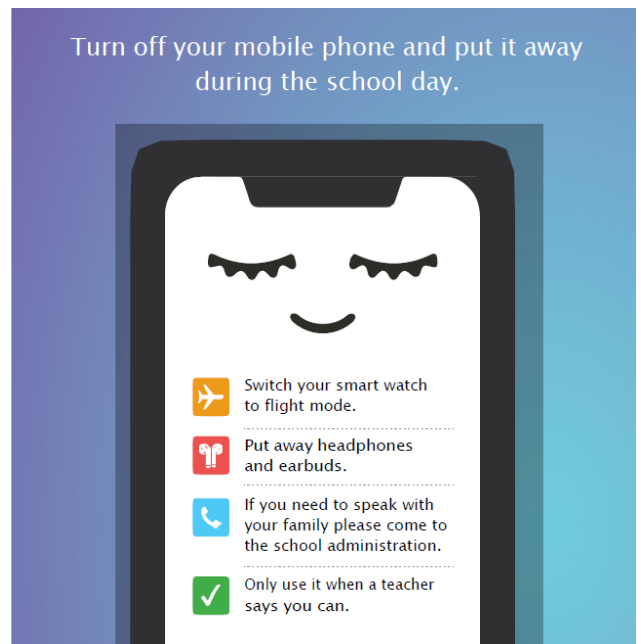
This program will take place over three full days throughout the school year in 2024. The following schools are participating in the program; Mernda Central College, Plenty Valley Christian College, Hazel Glen College, Marymede Catholic College, and Ivanhoe Grammar.

The Year 9 Student Leaders will be taking part in the Middle School Leaders Network Day at Assumption College on 28 May. Our students will join other Student Leaders from Assumption College, Aquinas College, Mazenod College, Santa Maria College, Marcellin College, Mater Christi College, St Joseph's College, OLMC, and Our Lady of Sion College.

This event will allow Year 9 Student Leaders to continue their journey of self - discovery, empowerment, and leadership growth. They will build on skills and insights from the Youth Leadership Conference they attended in Term 1 and they will be asked to consider how they can lead and affect change here at Parade College.

Mr Jacob Williams

Assistant Principal - Student Wellbeing





From the Assistant Principal - Teaching and Learning

Thank you to all the families who took part in this year's student progress interviews. The ongoing feedback from families endorses the approach of conducting interviews both in - person and online.

The evening of the in-person interviews was a humbling experience, witnessing the many engaging conversations between families and teachers. As crucial contributors to your child's education, we understand the importance of fostering an open dialogue between home and school. This collaboration is vital in supporting your child's learning journey. We encourage you to connect with your son's teachers whenever you have inquiries about his learning progress.

Last week, I had the privilege of participating in the 'Mock Interviews' conducted for our Year 10 students as a part of their Career Development program. It was inspiring to witness the level of dedication and professionalism displayed by our students during this exercise.

They prepared their Cover Letters and Resumes tailored to the roles they were aspiring for and conducted themselves with professionalism throughout the interview process. I would like to thank the volunteer interviewers who played the role of 'employers' and the Careers Advisors for organising such a valuable experience for our students.

Mr Maurice Petruccelli
Assistant Principal - Teaching and Learning

Thank you!
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS



From the Curriculum and Innovation Leader

Year 9 Morrisby Career Analysis

The Morrisby Careers Analysis will be conducted in ExCEL classes on Wednesday 1 May. This assessment provides valuable information that will inform subject selection, future careers, and pathway planning for students. The Morrisby Careers Analysis will help your child find their career direction using scientific profiling of abilities, personality, interests, and motivation to help them discover their unique characteristics.

With this awareness, they can ensure they can make the right subject choices in Years 10 to 12. They provide suggestions for future higher education courses and apprenticeships they would be best suited to. After completion, the report will be available on SIMON and PAM in 'Assessment Tasks' at the start of Term 3.

Preparing for Semester 1 Examinations

Year 8 to 11 preparation and exams will commence in a few weeks. Students should be encouraged to allocate time not only for homework but to revise for the semester examinations as well. In the coming weeks, students will also receive detailed instructions and tips on how to best prepare for their exams.

Year 8 and 9 Examinations

The following Year 8 subjects will have an examination in both semesters this year.

- English
- Mathematics

The following Year 9 subjects will have an examination in both semesters this year.

- English
- History
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Religious Education
- Science

Examination Dates

Year 8

Monday 3 June, and Tuesday 4 June

Year 9

Tuesday 28 May, Thursday 30 May, and Friday 31 May

Please note that Wednesday 29 May is a normal ExCEL day for Year 9 students at the usual ExCEL locations, and attendance is required.

Normal classes run for Year 8 and 9 students when they are not in exams. All students are required to wear their correct full school uniform for all exams. Sport uniforms may only be worn on the designated ACC Sport days.

Where a Year 8 or 9 student is unable to attend an examination, it may not be possible to have the exam rescheduled. If a student misses an exam due to illness, then they will receive the grade 'X - Special Circumstance' for that task.

Students absent for an exam due to an approved school event, (for example ACC Sport) will be notified of an alternative time to sit the examination that was missed.

Please contact Ms Nadia Bonvicino, Dean of Learning Years 7 to 9, if you have questions regarding Year 8 or 9 examinations.

Year 10 and 11 Examinations

Year 10 and 11 students will have exams in all subjects. The exams dates are Wednesday 5 June to Monday 17 June.

Please note that Monday 10 June is the day of the King's Birthday Public Holiday.

All students are required to wear their correct full school uniform for all exams. Sport uniforms may not be worn except by those involved in ACC Sport on the day of the exam.

Year 10 and 11 students are required to attend school for only the times of their exams plus 30 minutes prior. There will be no Tutor Group on these days for Year 10 and 11 students.

Study halls will be available in the NLC for any student remaining at school during normal school hours. If a student does not attend a Year 10 or 11 examination, if possible, it will be rescheduled only for approved school events (for example ACC Sport) or upon presentation of a medical certificate.

Please contact Mr James Fogarty, Dean of Learning Years 10 to 12, if you have questions regarding Year 10 or 11 examinations.

Elevate Education Parent Webinars

Elevate Education offers parents a free 60-minute webinar where parents can learn some strategies to support their child through school.

Term 2 Webinar Schedule

Wednesday 8 May

How to get (and keep!) your child motivated

Wednesday 22 May

Help your child prepare for exams

Wednesday 5 June

Help support your child during exams

All these webinars start at 6.30pm. Register for the events by using this link: <https://go.elevateeducation.com/auschoolwebinars>.

Ms Scarlett Faulkner

Curriculum and Innovation Leader

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From the Dean of Learning - Years 7 to 9

Elevate Education Study Skills Incursion

On Tuesday 26 March, Year 8 students attended a workshop facilitated by Elevate Education. The workshop covered topics including, dynamic reading, note taking, conceptual learning skills, and self-directed learning.

If your son is in Year 8, it would be great to ask him what he learnt from this workshop and how he is going to apply it in Term 2.



Above: Year 8 students taking part in the Elevate Education Incursion

Here is some student feedback from the workshop where we asked students what was the most important thing they learned today.

- *Good study habits and how to study.*
- *How to properly write notes and use a highlighter to organise notes.*
- *How to simplify a passage of text.*
- *How to take notes and use mind maps.*

Homework Club

The College is proud to offer students support for their studies via the Homework Club. Homework Club occurs each Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon in the NLC from 3.15pm to 4.30pm. Students can receive help with their homework



tasks, revision tasks, or general content that they may be finding challenging.

We strongly encourage our students to utilise this help opportunity, particularly with their mathematics and English studies.

No bookings are required. Come along with the work you would like help with.

Ms Nadia Bonvicino
Dean of Learning - Years 7 to 9

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From the Dean of Learning - Years 10 to 12

Nano Nagle Tutoring Program

Solid numbers have been attending the Nano Nagle Tutoring program which is taking place on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the VCE Study Centre.

In Term 2, the program will run every Tuesday and Thursday except Thursday 25 April and Tuesday 18 June. This program is available to all Year 11 and 12 VCE students and involves Old Paradian students from the class of 2023, who achieved extremely high ATAR scores, supervising and tutoring students.

It commences at 3.30pm and finishes at 4.25pm. VCE students are welcome to attend and receive help or study in the area. This is a great opportunity for all VCE students to get extra assistance with the demands of the final years of their schooling.

General Achievement Test (GAT)

All Year 12 students, and all accelerating Year 11 students will sit the GAT on Tuesday 18 June. The test will be conducted in the Greening Auditorium at the Bundoora Campus.

The following information comes from the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority:

- The General Achievement Test (GAT) is a pen-and-paper test of general knowledge and skills taken by students in the course of completing their senior secondary studies.
- The GAT has two sections: Section A and Section B.
- Section A is a literacy and numeracy assessment comprised of a two-part writing task, 50 numeracy multiple-choice questions, and 50 reading multiple-choice questions.
- Section B is comprised of an extended writing task, 25 mathematics, science, and technology multiple-choice questions, and 25 arts and humanities multiple-choice questions.
- Students enrolled in one or more VCE or scored VCE VET Unit 3-4 sequence complete both sections.
- Students enrolled in one or more VCE Vocational Major

(VM) Unit 3-4 sequences, but who are not enrolled in any VCE or scored VCE VET Unit 3-4 sequences, complete Section A only.

The GAT plays an important role in the quality assurance of VCE assessments and also provides students with an opportunity to demonstrate they meet the Victorian Literacy and Numeracy Standards expected at a senior secondary level.

The GAT is used as part of a final check on external assessment scores. If there is a significant statistical difference between the final score for an external assessment and the score predicted by the GAT and school indicative grades, the external assessment will be assessed again by the chief assessor. Scores may go up or stay the same, but they will not go down as a result of this final check. The GAT may also be used in the calculation of a Derived Examination Score.

No special study is needed. Past study of subjects like English, Mathematics, Science, and History prepares students for the GAT by building their general knowledge and skills in writing, numeracy, and reasoning.

A GAT Statement of Results is mailed to each student. The GAT Statement of Results indicates if the student has met the standard, not met the standard, or met the standard and demonstrated a level of excellence.

You can see a sample of the Statement of Results here:

<https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/assessment/results/Pages/StatementofResultsSamples.aspx#GAT>

Mr James Fogarty

Dean of Learning - Years 10 to 12





Gifted and Talented Programs

Applications are now open for the Lou Arthur Memorial Scholarship. This Scholarship honours the enduring commitment of Lou Arthur to Parade College and recognises those students that share his values of high academic achievement and contribution to College life.

The Lou Arthur Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a current student enrolled at Parade College in Year 8 2024. Full or half scholarships may be awarded to students who complete Year 9 in 2025 and Year 10 in 2026.

Applications for the Scholarship close on Friday 24 May at 5.00pm.

For further details on how to apply for the Lou Arthur Memorial Scholarship please refer to the Lou Arthur Application Information Sheet available on the College website.

The College is now accepting applications for the Altior Program for Year 7 2025. This Gifted and Talented Program is open to students who are highly academically able, highly motivated, and have an excellent work ethic.

Applications for the Altior Program close on Friday 24 May at 5.00pm.

For further details on how to apply for the Year 7 2025 Altior Program, please refer to the Year 7 2025 Altior Application Information Sheet available on the College website.

For further information about the Gifted and Talented Programs at Parade College, please contact me via scholarships@parade.vic.edu.au or altior@parade.vic.edu.au.

Mrs Emma Mihocic
Coordinator of Gifted and Talented Programs



From the Leader of Literacy

Managing the Literacy Demands of the Curriculum

Literacy underpins learning in every subject area. Students are expected to read, write, speak, listen, and view in subject-specific ways across the six - period day, placing significant cognitive demands on learners.

On a recent professional learning day, teaching staff compiled a list of the different forms of reading and writing students are expected to do in their subject areas.

One way we can help students manage the literacy demands of the curriculum is to be explicit about the reading and writing expectations of each subject. When you next notice your son reading as part of their homework, ask the following questions:

- What is the purpose of the reading you are doing now?
- How is the reading for this subject different from the reading for other subjects?
- What strategies do you have when you are having difficulty with a particular text?

These questions should lead to a rich discussion about the challenges of reading at a secondary school level. Students who struggle to answer the questions above should speak to their teachers for more guidance.

Mr David Moore
Leader of Literacy



Academic Scholarships at Parade College



As a long-standing Catholic school for boys in the Edmund Rice Tradition, Parade College is a vibrant learning community that delivers best practice education and pastoral care to students enabling them to become independent and confident whilst pursuing excellence in their learning.

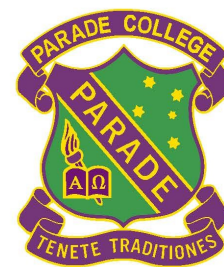
Parade College offers Academic Scholarships for high achieving students.

Lou Arthur Memorial Scholarship

This Scholarship is awarded to currently enrolled Year 8 students who will complete Year 9 and Year 10 at Parade College, at either campus. Upon a satisfactory review towards the end of Year 10, the Scholarship may be extended for Years 11 and 12. This Scholarship recognises high academic achievement.



For more information:
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Coordinator of Gifted and Talented Programs
scholarships@parade.vic.edu.au
www.parade.vic.edu.au p. 9468 3300





From the Careers Centre

Year 10 Mock Interviews

The Careers Department would like to say a huge thank you to all involved in the Year 10 Mock Interviews that took place in the Greening Auditorium on Thursday.

We had members of the community volunteer their time to interview our students and provide them with feedback relating to their interview techniques and the presentation of their cover letters and resumes.



Above: Students practising their interviews during the Mock interview morning

Our interviewers were from our Old Paradian community, parents from our school community, recruitment professionals, La Trobe University students, and business owners and employers from the local community. This was a wonderful opportunity for our students to practice their interview skills when they apply for casual or part - time jobs.

If you would like to be involved in the Mock Interviews in 2025, please contact Liz Bult ebult@parade.vic.edu.au or Justine Barnes jbarnes@parade.vic.edu.au.

Year 10 Work Experience

Year 10 Work Experience for students at Bundoora Campus takes place on 18 to 21 November. Students are expected to organise their own placement and are encouraged to do this as soon as possible.

Students can ask their Careers teachers for the Work Experience form as a hard copy or a PDF. Students can visit the Careers Office if they have any questions relating to Work Experience.

Year 9 Morrisby Profile

All students in Year 9 will complete the Morrisby Profile on Wednesday 1 May during their ExCEL class.

The Morrisby Profile is an online assessment designed to help individuals understand their strengths, interests, and aptitudes, all of which play a crucial role in determining suitable career paths.

By completing the Morrisby Profile, students gain insights into their unique abilities and preferences, helping them to make informed decisions about their future education and career choices.

The assessment covers various aspects including:

- Interests
- Abilities
- Personality
- Values

Once students have completed the assessment, they receive a comprehensive report outlining their results and suggesting potential career options that align with their strengths and interests. This report is a valuable starting point for meaningful discussions about future goals, subject selections, and pathway options.

Further information will be sent out to parents of Year 9 students in the coming week.

Year 12 Careers Meetings

All Year 12 students are required to meet with Careers staff to discuss pathway options for 2025 and beyond. Bookings can be made online on Simon. Discussions will involve University or TAFE courses, VTAC, Early Entry Programs, apprenticeships, Police and Defence Force pathways and programs, workplace opportunities.

Mrs Liz Bult
Careers Leader



From the Learning Centre

Congratulations to the students below for being the top readers in their House for the Parade Reading Challenge for Term 1.

Bodkin	Benedict Raphael Glow Year 9 B18
Hughes	Sanchit Bhardwaj Year 8 H19
Lynch	David Ferridge Year 11 L03
Nolan	Leroy Angley Year 8 N12
Treacy	Roan Pearse Year 8 T18

These students read a combined 34,165 minutes (over two million seconds) in just one term, a tremendous achievement. Each student received a gift voucher and House points for their efforts.

All students are invited to participate in the Parade Reading Challenge and can follow the instructions on the Learning Centre Homepage or on the Daily Messages to log reading minutes. There are mini-challenges throughout the term where prizes can be won and House points earned.

Banyule - Nillumbik Tech School Student Ambassadors

Parade College is a partner school with the Banyule - Nillumbik Tech School, who deliver STEAM-based learning experiences and educational activities to young people in the local area.

Each year, Parade students represent the College as Student Ambassadors, who in conjunction with students from other partner schools, develop and present a Maker Faire exhibited in November.

The Maker Faire, a collection of stalls, demonstrations, and activities is presented to local primary students and is a highlight in the school calendar.

In their presentations, Student Ambassadors choose to focus on passion projects and are provided the opportunity to engage with new and emerging technologies such as drones, coding, and AI.

In 2024, our Tech School Student Ambassadors are Year 7 Zachary Vera - Leiva N13, Year 8 Brandon Bujak N18, Year 9 Aarav Thakur N11, and Year 10 Jacob Greco T06.



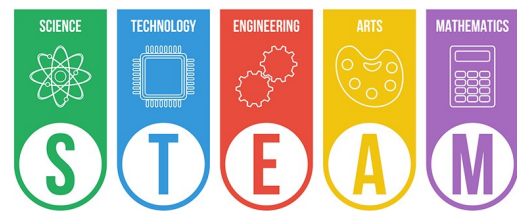
Above: (L-R) Our Nillumbik Tech School Ambassadors Year 7 Zachary Vera-Leiva N13, Year 8 Brandon Bujak N18, Year 9 Aarav Thakur N11, and Year 10 Jacob Greco T06

The Ambassadors have already begun their year off with a session at the Tech School in February, with Year 9 Aarav Thakur N11 noting,

"I was lucky enough to be chosen for this program and it being the first time I've been, I was amazed at how beautiful the Tech School was, and how it had cool features like soundproof pods and a place where you can fly drones.

It was really good to get to know other Ambassadors from different schools and learn more about how this program works."

Mr Dante Gabriel
Learning Centre Leader



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From the Community Action Centre

Year 10 Service Learning

Several Year 10 students have been proactive in earning their 10 volunteer hours. We have had students volunteer at Vasey House Aged Care on Thursday afternoons. They worked with the Lifestyle staff helping with the activities and engaging with residents.

We have a group of talented musicians who will earn their Service Learning hours entertaining residents at Villa Maria. Year 10 Sathwik Vaithyanathan L04 has written about his experience taking part in the Year 10 Service Learning Program.

During this holiday I took on the task to complete my 10 hours of Service Learning volunteering. For my 10 hours I went to Bupa Greensborough which specializes in caring for elderly people. My job was to coordinate and help with the lifestyle team with the activities. I engaged with the residents in activities such as bingo, exercising, watching movies and karaoke. During these ten hours I communicated with and helped these residents with these activities. Overall it was a great experience.

Year 11 Touchstones Community Action Volunteering Program

Five of the Year 11 Touchstones classes will be starting their three-week volunteering placement during the week of 29 April. Students were given a range of options to choose from and we have students going to community groups and students engaging in on - site volunteering.

Students were emailed the details of their placement, and PAM permission emails have been sent to parents and carers.

The program begins with a commissioning assembly on 24 April where guest presenters from Big Group Hug and Eddy Rice Camps will talk to the classes about volunteering.

I look forward to hearing about their many experiences over the coming weeks.

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to Jake Keena on winning our Easter raffle. We raised \$80 for Eddy Rice camps. Thank you to the staff and students who bought tickets.

Community Action Parent Appreciation Stall

The Community Action Students will be running a Parent Appreciation stall in line with Mother's Day, where students can purchase a gift in appreciation for the 'mother' figure in their lives. Gifts range from \$5 to \$30. All the profits will go to our College charity - Eddy Rice Camps. If any Parade families may be able to assist us with gifts, please contact me.

Eddy's Brekky Van

Our weekly Brekky Van continues in Term 2. During Term 1 we had members from the Old Paradian Football Club volunteer. Our regulars enjoyed meeting and engaging with the Old Paradians'.



Above: Mr Houlihan with 2023 Old Paradian Rufus Jones helping out at Brekky Van

The Brekky Van is in its nineteenth year and we continue to service the West Heidelberg Community. The student volunteers get much back from the positive connections they build with locals.

Our thanks go out to Year 12 James Colosimo L09 who has been a regular through Term 1. James continues to front up early each Tuesday morning, and the regulars very much appreciate his BBQing skills. Year 10 Nicholas Fernandes N15 and Year 9 Harry Pitts L17 have also been regular volunteers in Term 1.

We welcome any student who may like to volunteer to come and chat with me or Liam Petti in the Community Action Centre.

Bugle Player Wanted

Vasey House RSL aged care has put a call out for a bugle player to play the Last Post at their Anzac Day ceremony. If you can assist, please contact Linda at Vasey on 9466 9615

Sports Academy Personal Development Skills Volunteering Project

The Year 12 Sports Academy students are visiting several Aged Care facilities to run fitness classes for residents. The residents are very excited at the opportunity to 'get moving' on Monday afternoons, and the students have organised some fun sessions.

We also have some Sports Academy students working with residents on a 'This is Your Life' Project where they will pair up with a resident over a series of visits to document their life stories. We are looking to have a presentation afternoon tea at the College once these life stories are completed.

Ms Anne-Marie Morello Community Action Convenor

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

We are sending a call out for donations of umbrellas - any colour or pattern - to be used for our upcoming College musical with Santa Maria, Mary Poppins.

Please send the umbrella in with your son and it can be given to Anthony Cicutto or Marisa Cora at the ERC Staffroom. They can also be dropped off at front reception.

The umbrella needs to be non-retractable.

Thank you very much,

Anthony and Marisa (on behalf of the Musical Front of House Team)



From the Preston Campus

Welcome back to Term 2 to our Edmund Rice Pathways Program and Year 11 and 12 VCE Vocational Major students at our Preston Campus.

Before the end of Term 1, all our Preston students were involved in a Work Experience placement.

Valuable skills and experiences were developed and staff had the privilege of visiting our students and were most impressed with the positive feedback from the host employers such as the manner in the way our students conducted themselves in the workforce. Special thanks to the many host employers for generously supporting our program



Above: Year 10 James Louis N20 out on Work Placement

For our Edmund Rice Pathways Program students, this was their first experience of Work Experience. For many, it was early morning starts and long days of physical work.

No doubt there were a few early nights to bed during this time!

I was able to commend our students at our first Campus Assembly this Term for the way they represented our College and the positive feedback we received.

Mrs Kim Nicholls Preston Student Wellbeing Leader - Years 11 to 12



From the Development Office

Sibling Photos

Arthur Reed Photos are returning to Parade College on Friday 10 May for additional Sibling photos. These will be available from 8.00am until 8.30am at the Bundoora Campus and 11.00am until 11.30am at the Preston Campus. Bookings are essential and can be made via the following link:

<https://calendly.com/arp-siblingphotos/parade-college-sibling-photos-bundoora-campus-2>

Please note that students must be in the correct College winter uniform and clean shaven. Piercings are not permissible, and hair beyond collar length must be tied back.

When all images are complete and in the "Webshop", parents who registered online will be notified via SMS, and email, that their images are ready to view and order.

All orders through Arthur Reed photos are mailed home directly to families.

Arthur Reed Photos has a Customer Service Team to assist with any queries and can be contacted at 5243 4390 (option 1) or customerservice@arphotos.com.au.

Family Tours

Our Term 2 Family Tours are held from 9.15am to 10.45am. Bookings can be made via the College website or <https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/book-a-family-tour>.

Term 2 dates are as follows:

- Tuesday 30 April
- Wednesday 8 May
- Tuesday 14 May
- Thursday 23 May
- Thursday 6 June
- Friday 14 June
- Wednesday 19 June

Future Students

Year 7 applications for 2026 and beyond are now being accepted. If you have a younger son in Grade 5 and wish to enrol for Year 7 2026, please note that applications close on Friday 16 August 2024. Applications for other year levels are also welcome.

To obtain an enrolment application please download a copy on the following link www.parade.vic.edu.au/enrolment-application.

Year 7 Information Evening

Prospective families of current Year 4 to 6 students are invited to come along to our Year 7 Information Evening to be held on Wednesday 29 May from 7.00 pm to 8.00pm.

Optional Family Tours of the Bundoora Campus are available prior to the presentation, from 5.45pm until 6.15pm. Bookings are available via <https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/yr7--information-evening-registration>.

Ms Jenine Fogarty
Development Office Manager

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YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

Wednesday 29 May @ 7pm
Optional Family Tours commence at 5:45pm
Visit www.parade.vic.edu.au to book



From the Manchester City Football School

Manchester City Football School Update

The Manchester City Football School continues at Parade College with another 53 Year 7 students joining the program in Term 1. This means the College now has a total of 139 students across Years 7, 8, and 9 participating in the program. Another 58 have been offered places for 2025. The program has proved a great success with demand growing for places on the course each year.

The wonderful facilities here at Parade provide a perfect platform for the Program to evolve and grow over the coming years, both for players and coaching staff to develop as individuals and as a collective, on and off the pitch, learning life skills to help them become successful human beings wherever their journey takes them.

The quality of the Play Model Program has proved to be successful across the world, with schools in Brisbane, Adelaide, and Sydney being the latest to open in Australia, with more planned.

Trials will take place in September this year for the next intake of Year 7 students in 2026.

On behalf of the Manchester City Football School, I want to thank Parade College, the staff, the students, and parents for their continued support and commitment to the Program.



Above: One of Year 7 2024 Manchester City Football School Squads

Student Achievement

Congratulations to Year 9 Anthony Pantelidis B19 who has recently been selected to join the Academy of Melbourne City FC.



Above: (L - R) Manchester City Football School Head Coach Mick Bennett with Year 9 Anthony Pantelidis B19

Anthony has been a part of the City Football School since the Program commenced in 2022. A fantastic role model for the school and the City Football School Program, Anthony has shown strong leadership skills since Year 7, he has been a consistent performer, in games and training, always giving 100%.

His development is an indication of what can be achieved by an individual in the City Football School Program, supported by quality coaches, prepared to encourage, and guide students in 4 key areas of the City Play Model - Mental, Technical, Tactical, and Physical.

We believe Anthony could be the first of many from the City Football School Program who will be recognised by A - League Academies in the future.

Everyone at Parade and Manchester City Football School would like to congratulate Anthony on his selection and we look forward to helping him on his journey of development as a player, but just as importantly, on his continued development as a person.

Mr Michael Bennett

Manchester City Football School Head Coach



From the Dean of High Performance Sport

ACC Senior T20 Cricket Premiership

On 20 March, our Senior Cricketers secured the Senior Division One T20 Premiership, completing an undefeated season with a hard-fought victory over Mazenod by three wickets in the Grand Final, played at St. Bernard's. Mazenod 88 (Nirmana Fernando 3/10, Xavier Mitchell 2/16) Def by Parade 7/89 (Josh Alonso 28 not out)



Above: Our Senior ACC Cricket team celebrating a wicket

ACC Swimming Carnival at MSAC

Our Swim team competed in Division 1 of the ACC Swimming Carnival in the last week of Term 1. Our swimmers were extremely consistent and finished in third place overall, just one point behind second place.



Above: Our Swim Team competing at MSAC for the ACC trials

This result consolidates our drastic improvement in this event in 2023. Congratulations to coaches Gerard Large, John Cornish, Matthew Byrne, and Captain Year 12 Harper Wallace

L07. Four students won Division One individual races at the Carnival.

Butterfly, U/16 Backstroke	Jack Darling Year 10 B01
Open Butterfly	Daniel Power Year 12 L01
U/17 Breaststroke	Harper Wallace Year 12 L07
U/15 Backstroke	Jeremy Watson Year 9 B11

Victorian Gymnastics Championships

Congratulations to Year 7 Luca Cifone B19 who recently competed at the State Gymnastics Championships. Luca is now the State Champion on the Floor in his age class and placed 2nd on Parallel Bars and 3rd on High Bars.



Above: Year 7 Luca Cifone B19 at the State Gymnastics Championships

Upcoming Key Dates

Tuesday 23 April	Year 9 and 10 Football season commences
Monday 29 April	Year 7 ACC Basketball Trials (Non-Melbourne United students), Moore Hall
Wednesday 1 May	Senior Sport starts, including Bedford Madden Shield v St. Bernard's at Waterford Oval
Thursday 2 May	Junior ACC Sport season commences
Monday 6 May	ACC Open Golf Tournament at Northern GC
Monday 6 May	Year 7 ACC Basketball Trial Session 2, Moore Hall
Monday 13 May	Year 8 ACC Basketball trials, Moore Hall

Mr John Baxter
Dean of High Performance Sport



From the Old Paradians' Association

It was terrific to welcome back to the College Old Paradians who were able to support our Year 10 mock interviews. Students industriously prepared a letter of application for a selected position and a resume and were able to bring these to the interview.

Former College Captains Christopher Cicutto (2003) and Paul Cutri (2000) volunteered their time together with John Doherty (1984), Thomas Ambrosini (2015), and Peter Bonadio (2014). Also pictured below are Brendan Considine who again volunteered his services, and Jonathan Dib (2007), one of the College House Leaders who assisted in managing the student movement.



Above: Old Paradians helping out with Mock Interviews

Old Paradians Football Coach and staff member Ben Turner was the keynote speaker at the recent Old Paradians RACV monthly luncheon. Ben gave an excellent presentation on his football journey, his motivations to coach the Football Club as it transitions to the Northern Football League, and the promising pre-season that led to its big win in Round 1 against West Heidelberg. Old Paradian Hall of Famer and AFL Legend Peter Bedford (1964) introduced Ben and reflected upon his own time coaching the Football Club.

The Old Paradians Association has a big month of May coming up with four important events. The Bedford Madden Shield incorporates a Veterans Lunch and reunion of the 1994 Herald Shield Football premiership team on May 1.

This event brings Essendon legend Simon Madden and Peter Bedford as special guests where the 1st XV111 from Parade and St Bernard's battle it out for the Shield. This takes place on May 1.

We have a special lunch at the Old Paradians RACV monthly lunch to induct our latest Women of Distinction. This year, former teacher Janet Donahoo and current College Convenor of the Community Action Program Anne - Marie Morello will be inducted as Women of Distinction.

A reunion of the Class of 2004 will take place, as well as a High Tea for those wonderful members of the College community, the Ladies Auxiliary Life Members.

Mr John Nicholls
Alumni Officer



Altior @ Parade





Altior is aimed at students who are highly motivated with an excellent work ethic. Year 7 Altior is open to Year 6 students who are enrolled at Parade College.

Entry into Year 8 and 9 Altior is via offer, based on a selection criteria that includes students' academic results, NAPLAN, teacher recommendation, external testing and College participation.

Depending upon their academic results, Altior students may be offered acceleration into VCE Units 1 and 2 in Year 10 and VCE Units 3 and 4 in Year 11.



Enrichment Activities

A range of extension opportunities are provided to students within Altior. These may include:

- The Melbourne Writers Festival
- The Australian Science Competition
- The Australian Mathematics Competition
- Global Youth Forum
- Tournament of Minds
- Debating and Public Speaking
- Science Talent Search
- College Bands

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Calendar

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

25 April	* ANZAC Day	3 - 5 May	* Generations in Jazz
26 April	* Treacy House Mass	3 May	* College Assembly
	* Lynch Celebration Day	5 May	* Edmund Rice Day
29 April	* Musical Rehearsal at Santa Maria College 4-6pm	6 May	* Edmund Rice Feast Day
	* Manchester City Football School Player Review Night 1		* Musical Rehearsal at Santa Maria College 4-6pm
	* Finance Committee Meeting		* Manchester City Football School Player Review Night 3
30 April	* Family Tour	7 May	* School Advisory Council Meeting
	* Year 9 and 10 Sport		* ACC Open Golf Tournament
	* Homework Club		* Year 7 Reflection Day
1 May	* Senior Sport	8 May	* Year 9 and 10 Sport
	* Bedford Madden Shield and Veterans Lunch		* Homework Club
	* POP Meeting		* Family Tour
	* Musical Rehearsal at Santa Maria College 4-6pm	9 May	* Musical Rehearsal at Santa Maria College 4-6pm
	* Homework Club		* OPA Monthly Luncheon
2 May	* Year 7 and 8 Sport	10 May	* Senior Sport
	* ACC Open Debating and Public Speaking Competition		* Year 7 and 8 Sport
	* Manchester City Football School Player Review Night 2	12 May	* ACC Awards at Parade College
			* Nolan Celebration Day
		14 May	* Bodkin House Mass
			* Mother's Day
			* OPA Committee Meeting
			* Mothers Day Breakfast



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