Welcome to the 2013 academic year. I hope that each of you is as excited as I am!

We return with the wonderful news that Patrician Brothers’ College was again one of the best performing schools in the HSC. This follows our earlier success in NAPLAN. The school community warmly congratulates all students, staff and parents on their success in 2012.

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I particularly welcome all our new families to the Patrician Brothers’ College community. I hope that you can join with our current families in creating a vibrant and living Catholic community.

I encourage every student to play their part in ensuring that Patrician Brothers’ College is a better place for their having been here this year.

I look forward to working with each of you in 2013.

Please be kind to each other,
Santo Passarello

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In 2012 the College won the prestigious GIO Australian Schoolboy Cup. As a consequence our school has been ranked the number one rugby league school in Australia. Pictured is 2012 Team Captain, Chad McGill.

2012 saw Patrician Brothers’ College produce its best ever HSC results. Our school was ranked as one of the best performing HSC schools in NSW. Pictured is Manpreet Singh, 2012 College Dux, who achieved an ATAR of 99.7.
School Dates for 2013

TERM ONE
Wednesday 30 January - Friday 12 April

TERM TWO
Tuesday 30 April - Friday 28 June

TERM THREE
Monday 15 July - Thursday 19 September

TERM FOUR
Tuesday 8 October - Wednesday 18 December

Walkathon 2013
The Walkathon is our one major fundraising event for the year and will take place on Friday 24 May. It will be held at Nurragingy Reserve and each student will soon receive their sponsorship materials and we are asking each student to raise a MINIMUM of $40.00 each. There will be significant incentives for those students raising more than the minimum of $40.00.

Our Major project for 2013 is:
New student shade facilities
This will provide for additional shaded, seated areas for students.

In preparation for our Walkathon we are requesting SUPPORT in the form of PRIZES. In previous years prizes such as the following have been popular – iPad, iPod, Nexus 4 Phone, NRL Jerseys, sporting equipment, music CD’s, DVD’s, Vouchers etc. If any parent or organisation can assist with the donation of prizes please contact Mr Mark Strong on 9671 3000.

Thursday Sport
Parents, please note the dismissal times of the different sports for Thursdays. Students doing sport outside the College will be dismissed from their respective sport venue at 3.00pm OR 3.15pm (see table below). This is to enable students to return to the College should they need to catch buses from the school grounds. All school-based activities will conclude at the normal time of 3.25pm. Year 12 students are of course at school in tutorial groups.

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The 2012 School Yearbook will be available shortly. We will advise students when they arrive.

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Senior Coordinator               Mr Peter Ross
Year 11 Coordinator              Ms Denise Grzelj
Performing Arts Coordinator      Mrs Karen Davidson
Executive Secretary              Mr Kim Crawford

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Science Coordinator              Mr Chris Ferry
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TAS Coordinator                  Mr Heath Borg
Liturgy Coordinator              Mr Gregory Beacroft
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Learning Technologies Coordinator Mr Troy Garrett
Vocational Education             Mrs Tess McGlenchy
Careers                         Mrs Sue Dracoulas
LOTÉ Coordinator                 Mrs Vicki Forrest
Performing Arts Coordinator      Mrs Karen Davidson
Creative Arts Coordinator         Ms Barbara Newton
Literacy                        Ms Denise Grzelj

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Year 9 Coordinator               Mr Dominic Williams
Year 10 Coordinator              Mr Steve Taylor
Year 11 Coordinator              Mr Ray Camilleri
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Office Team                     Ms Anne Murphy
                Mrs Kim Antonelli
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Year 7 2013
Our Year 7 students have begun their journey here at Patrician Brothers’ College. They are in no doubt that they are here to grow in their faith and to learn!
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From the Assistant Principal

The new school year is now well and truly under way and students in all year groups are to be congratulated on the way in which they have kicked off 2013. For the information of all our new students – and as a timely reminder to our continuing students - there are several items that are worth mentioning at this time.

The front doorways of the college – both entry and exit from Flushcombe Road – are not accessible to parents or family for pick-up or drop-off of their sons. As you would understand, both gates carry high amounts of pedestrian traffic throughout the day, particularly immediately before and after school, so it would create a dangerous situation for our students if we allow parents to use this area as a kiss-and-drop zone in the way that some primary schools operate. For this reason, we request that students are dropped or collected at K Mart car park or other safe areas in nearby streets.

Along similar lines – our students are constantly reminded to only cross Newton and Flushcombe Roads at the designated pedestrian lights and we need parents to support us in this safety message. Several times last week we witnessed parents calling their sons to their car across these busy roads through heavy afternoon traffic. The school zones offer some protection but it is quite obvious to any casual observer that some drivers simply ignore these speed limits.

Another important reminder – that chewing gum is banned on our school premises. Gum causes considerable damage around the school each year, especially to floor coverings and furniture, and the cost of cleaning and repairs is significant. Students who are caught chewing gum will receive an automatic afternoon detention.

Finally - some reminders about correct summer uniform. While the vast majority of students have returned to school in full and correct uniform – some did require a firm reminder on the first day. Some of the students with serious uniform issues were sent home until problems were addressed while others were able to resolve minor issues at the time.

Please note the details of our uniform requirements - as listed in our 2013 Student Diary. The images provided will hopefully add further clarification for students and parents.

### Specific Information:

- The College Blazer is COMPULSORY during Terms 2 and 3 and can be worn without the jumper. However, the jumper cannot be worn without the blazer.
- The school shirt must be tucked-in neatly and ties worn in the correct manner at all times.
- Boys must wear the style of trousers approved for use at Patrician Brothers’ College. No variations in style, material or colour are permitted. All boys are to wear the approved grey socks.
- Shoes must be of the lace-up type and are to be blackened and polished. Laces should also be black. No variations to this rule will be allowed. All families should seek clarification of the College definition of ‘black polishable school shoes’ before proceeding with enrolment.
- Boys are not permitted to wear T-shirts which are visible beneath the school shirt. The school shirt MUST be tucked-in at all times.
- The only jewellery permitted is a watch. Chains with small religious medals or crosses may be worn around the neck but the chain must be long enough that they are not seen above the “V” of the shirt. Boys may not wear earrings or studs of any type (including clear plastic) at any time.
- Hair is to be neat and tidy. Hair must be of natural colour. Extremes of length or fashion are not acceptable. For example - undercut, rat’s tails, mullets or scalp designs are not permitted. Hair should be no longer than collar length and the fringe must be above the eyes. It is expected that boys will be clean-shaven at all times. The school reserves the right to make rulings on the acceptability of any student hairstyles questioned by staff.
- School tracksuit tops, sweatshirts or hooded tops may not be worn with the school uniform.
- Sports uniform is worn for Thursday afternoon sport and for timetabled PDHPE lessons. For PDHPE lessons, students should change into their sports uniform at the start of their PDHPE lesson and will be given time at the end of the lesson to change back into their uniform.
- On Thursdays—students must wear full sports uniform. This includes the wearing of the school track suit top but NOT the school jumper.
- Sunglasses and the college cap are permitted during recess and lunchtime but should never be worn indoors. Students are encouraged to wear sunglasses and the college cap at outdoor sporting events, especially during summer months. The official College cap is the only headwear that is permitted.
- While not legally bound to – the College does accommodate some limited examples of religious symbols from other faith traditions within the uniform guidelines but these must be approved by the Principal or Assistant Principal and may involve negotiation with parents.

### Uniform Requirements

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Some examples of correct and incorrect uniform

Correct School Shoes

Correct Sports Shoes

Correct Grooming

**Special Award for Charitable Work by Br Peter Higgins**

The Consul General of Ireland, Ms Caitriona Ingoldsby presented Br Peter Higgins with a special award at the Irish Consulate recently. Br Peter was given the honour for his outstanding contribution to the Patrician Brothers’ missionary activities in underprivileged communities in countries such as Kenya, Ghana, South Sudan and Papua New Guinea. The colossal amount raised by Br Peter over the years is well in excess of $130,000 and has been used in the building of schools, hospitals, community centres, fresh water supply systems and education as well as other worthwhile projects. He has vowed to keep up this special mission in the future! We all wish him the best of luck in his endeavours.
Semester Two Prize-Giving Ceremony 2012
At the end of 2012 we again took the opportunity of congratulating each of our academic achievers. These young men were a credit to their families and thoroughly deserved their success. They are certainly ready to contribute to our 2013 school theme ‘Gifted and Graced’!
Semester 2 Prize-Giving Ceremony 2012
Principal’s Honour Roll Awards

Since the instigation of the Honour Roll, many students at the College have made it their goal to work to the best of their ability, to have the honour of seeing their name on the Honour Board. At the end of each Semester, students across Years 7 to 12, who have achieved consistently outstanding results across all subject areas, are commended for their efforts.

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The Principal’s Writing Challenge 2012

In 2012, the Principal’s Writing Challenge was invitational and required students from Years 7 to 12 to reflect on the theme “Past, Present and Future”. Students could write in any form they wished and there was a wide range of imaginative responses that cleverly integrated the three time strands. The winner of each division received an iPad, with $50 and $25 gift vouchers for 2nd and 3rd place respectively. The Principal’s Writing Challenge is designed to encourage boys to be creative and to write with confidence for contemporary audiences.

Prize Winners:

**Year 7**
1st Nicholas Carroll
2nd Camil Abouchaaya
3rd Rameez Parkar

**Year 8**
1st Jamil Dewan
2nd Joshua Carroll
3rd Mustafa Barodawala

**Year 9**
1st Renz Jericho Hernandez
2nd Thomas Doyle
3rd Patrick Ross

**Senior Division**
1st Adam Boidin, Year 10
2nd Thomas Clark, Year 12
3rd Jarrett Spice, Year 10

Excerpts from winning stories:

**Nicholas Carroll, Year 7**

“Remember the past, plan for the future, but live for today, because yesterday is gone and tomorrow may never come” - St Luke

Martin Luther King Junior’s eyes shone with a hungry light. His eagerness to make a difference banished all his nerves. Today was much too important for nerves. At this moment he felt alienated from the world which was strange since thousands of people were watching him all around America. Racism, he thought. “I have toes, a nose, ears and eyes. I laugh like you; I cry like you; I speak the same language. So why do they feel they have the right to deny me my freedom? I am a man, am I not? Martin shuddered with anticipation. Today was the dawn of a new America. An America where...”

**Jamil Dewan, Year 8**

...Time is made up of three Beings called Past, Present and Future. These titans work endlessly to keep the universe in balance, but they have different views of things. Past thought that Present and Future existed because of him and also learned from him and he was the most selfish of the three. Present was the most narcissistic, because what would Past build up to, or what kind of future outcome would exist without his presence? But Future was the humble and wise one, because he knew that all of them were important in an interconnected way. He also knew to keep a cool head in doing his job, because he was the ultimate destination for everyone and everything.

**Renz Jericho Hernandez, Year 9**

Through every page, through every sleeve, through those times that tell a tale

We see the past, present and future, we see then, now and ever

We dwell, we dream and we live our moments
The Photo Album where stories are told without words.

Through misty eyes, through forged flashed smiles, through dreams upon time

We see the lost, the life and the legacies
We cry through the hurt of time, we say hi, we say hi, we say bye, we say it’s been a while

The Photo Album where is, was and will be nevertheless seem to come together.

**Adam Boidin, Year 10**

The metallic odour of sulphur traversed the street which was deserted apart from the wrecked remains of a black van sprawled across the intersection. Glass windows, peppered with projectiles, lay shattered along the footpath, as though they had been trampled by the stampede escaping the onslaught. Mangled red jungle gym bars were cast aside, as if made of feathers rather than steel. In the distance, the faint rumbling of thunder was complemented by the groans of mechanical monsters, steam rolling down the suburban streets. The once bustling thoroughfare of suburban soccer mums, cheery school children and the occasional police patrol was completely empty, filled only with the memories of yesterday and the emotional dreams of tomorrow.

I wish to thank all the students for your enthusiasm, imagination and participation in the 2012 Principal’s Writing Challenge. The teachers and I certainly enjoyed reading your entries!

Mr Santo Passarello
Principal
Chess Club 2013
We Are Back!
As another school year gets underway so too has the College’s renowned Chess Club. The return of Chess Club for 2013 has already seen the onset of nail biting games at lunchtimes between long standing Chess Club members as well as some of our newly joined Year 7 students. With many eager and keen to defend the College’s glorious and prestigious title as reigning champions of the MCS Chess Competition, try-outs are currently underway to select our players for what is bound to be another year of heart racing battles against competing schools. The yet to be finalised MCS Chess Team will include 3 students per year group who will represent the College in the tournament which will kick off in Week 6.
In addition to the MCS Competition, Chess Club will also offer players the opportunity to get involved in a number of friendly yet highly competitive internal chess competitions at lunchtime as well as the infamous Chess Mania later in the year. The new year along with our recently refurbished Chess Centre and brand new chess equipment will also see a number of teachers make guest appearances at Chess Club for student vs teacher play offs.
Stay posted for the full list of our MCS Chess Squad!

What You Need to Know About Chess Club!
When: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday Lunchtimes
Where: F9
Who: All Welcome!

Ms Charmaine Castellino and Mr Anthony Silvestrini
From the Director of Studies
HSC 2012

A spectacular achievement from the class of 2012 in their HSC! Our students achieved the best results in the history of the school. Manpreet Singh received an ATAR of 99.7 and also achieved straight Band 6s (subjects that scored in the 90’s) for all his subjects, both in the internal school assessment and also the HSC examinations. He is on the All-round Achievers List for 2012. We are ranked as one of the BEST performing comprehensive schools in NSW. There is no doubt that Patrician Brothers’ College Blacktown excels in all its endeavours. Manpreet Singh and many other students who attended the HSC Celebration BBQ after the release of the results were confident and extremely happy. Many had achieved way above their expectations but all felt that they had been more than adequately prepared. They had realised that academic success is not just the domain of selective schools. Patrician Brothers’ College has many structures in place to ensure that our boys not only reach their perceived potential but achieve well beyond it. The college offers, just to name a few:

- The Aim High Mentor Program for academic high achievers
- Thursday afternoon tutorials for senior students
- Supervised mentoring in the library
- Structured holiday workshops, lectures and tutorials
- Teachers who are HSC markers and judges
- Strong leadership training
- Access to a state of the art library with librarians who will help students broaden their research by providing access to a range of on-line journals and data bases
- Homework Centre where teachers work with students one-on-one
- Selective classes in Mathematics, Science and English
- The Patrician Learning Centre – an open plan learning space that has a range of technologies
- A dedicated and talented Learning Support Team that ensures that students needs are met and that there truly is differentiated instruction
- “Drop everything and help a senior student” mantra amongst our teachers, some of whom are online well into the night working with senior students, helping them refine and deepen their understanding of concepts and achieve mastery of skills. Many teachers sacrifice lunch times, recess and after school to run extra classes for students with specific needs
- Study skills workshops
- Motivational speakers
- Well chosen field trips
- Guest speakers from universities

The 2012 achievement provides an excellent basis for the current Year 12 to begin their HSC studies. The path has been paved for them; they now need to look ahead, plan, study, complete ALL tasks on time and be prepared to endure. Another high achiever, Rohith Srinivasan spoke to Year 12 last week and told them that there were 3 things they needed to do in order to succeed:

1. Prioritise
2. Sacrifice
3. Persevere

While our high achievers excelled, it was undeniable that every student achieved their personal best. These are the true success stories. Many boys in previous years would have left school without completing the HSC, yet in 2012, not only did they complete the HSC but most boys achieved above Band 3. For such a large cohort, this was a significant achievement and the school is very proud of each student. Let us celebrate as a school community and pay tribute to the boys who achieved outstanding results in the 2012 HSC, achieving Band 6 in a range of subjects:

- Walid Abouchaaya      Mathematics Extension 1
- Siddharth Bhardwaj   Economics
- Matthew Boidin        Ancient History
- Daniel Bongolan       Information Processes and Technology
- Michael Butrous       Studies of Religion 1 Unit
- Shaun Cameron         General Mathematics
- Ben Collins            General Mathematics
- Cain Debono           General Mathematics
- Declan Dias           Mathematics
- Gerard Dias           Legal Studies
- Nithin Gongupalli     Mathematics
- Jacob Grant           Community and Family Studies
- William Johnston      Industrial Technology
- Alvin Kumar           Business Studies
- General Mathematics
- Adrian Lal            Business Studies
- English Advanced
- Legal Studies
- General Mathematics
- Studies of Religion 1 Unit
- Aaron Marciano        Studies of Religion 1 Unit
- Nicholas McNulty      Studies of Religion 2 Unit
- John Ragheb          Mathematics Extension 1
- Mathematics Extension 2
- Chemistry
- Samudit Rupasinghe   Mathematics
- Mark Santiago         Mathematics Extension 2
- Gurkirat Singh        Mathematics
- Inderpreet Singh      General Mathematics
- Manpreet Singh        English Advanced
- Economics
- Legal Studies
- Mathematics Extension I
- Mathematics Extension II
- Physics
- Studies of Religion 1 Unit
- Sahil Singh           Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Studies of Religion 2 Unit
- Tarunjit Singh        English Advanced
- Studies of Religion 1 Unit
- Thakur Udit Singh     Legal Studies
- Mathematics
- Studies of Religion 1 Unit
- Rohith Srinivasan     Business Studies
- Chemistry
- English Advanced
- Mathematics
- Mathematics Extension I
Joseph Gaerlan must also be congratulated as his Major Work for Visual Arts was selected for the prestigious Art Express.

Many of our Year 12 boys were given early offers to the university of their choice. Students will embark on studies as diverse as Actuarial Studies, Law, Teaching, Physiotherapy, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Business, Accounting, Economics, International Studies, Engineering, Science, Medical Science, Building, Communication, Architecture, etc.

**Update on Literacy**

While the college showed significant learning gain in all areas of NAPLAN, this year there will be a concerted effort to raise every student’s skills in literacy. Year 8 and 9 are being particularly targeted and they will receive Literacy lessons apart from their normal English lessons. The whole school focus will be to improve literacy. The first area of concern that NAPLAN data revealed was the lack of structure when boys are writing. In an effort to correct this, the literacy area targeted for Term One is writing in paragraphs. Boys will have support teachers in their classrooms and students at risk will have intense intervention programs put in place. Literacy is everyone’s business. Everyone – teachers, parents and students – will work together this year to make sure that our boys can write accurately, with confidence and with flair.

*Mrs Danuta Paton*

**Performing Arts**

*Staff Introduction*

The Performing Arts staff are looking forward to working with you and your son in 2013. Please do not hesitate to contact the College if you have any concerns; we are always willing to discuss your child’s progress.

Mrs Karen Davidson – Performing Arts Coordinator, Music Teacher

Mr Mark Domars – Music Teacher, Drama Teacher

Mr Anthony Silvestrini – Music Teacher

*Year 7 Recorders*

All boys in Year 7 are required to have a recorder by Week 4 of Term 1. This information was advised at the Information Evening last year. The College has purchased the recorders in bulk so that the discount can be passed on to parents. Each boy is required to pay $10 to the College Office. The Office will issue a receipt that the boys will show to their music teacher who will then issue the recorder. Please make sure that the recorder is clearly labelled with your son’s name.

*Instrumental Lessons*

The College offers private lessons to boys who are interested in guitar, bass guitar and keyboard. If you would like more information about the Instrumental Program, have your son collect an Information Brochure from any of the Performing Arts staff. Lessons will commence in Week 2 and vacancies are limited. We particularly encourage Elective students to consider developing their skills on their selected instrument by taking lessons.

*Captivate*

The Parramatta Catholic Education Office runs ‘Captivate’ – a program designed for students to extend their skills in Performing Arts. Students from a variety of schools across the Diocese combine for the rehearsals to develop material for each semester which they perform at a combined concert.

Monday (Chamber Choir – at Nagle College)

Students will go by bus from Patrician Brothers’ College to Nagle for the rehearsals:

- 11 Feb; 4 & 25 March; 13 May; 3 June; 29 July; 19 August; 9 September; 21 October; 11 November; 2 December

Tuesday (Chamber Ensemble – at Patrician Brothers’ College)

- 12 Feb; 5 March; 14 May; 4 June; 30 July; 20 August; 10 September; 22 October; 12 November; 3 December.

Friday – every week (Dance Ensemble – at Patrician Brothers’ College)

*Mrs Karen Davidson, Performing Arts Coordinator*
Exciting Experiments in Year 7 Science

The students in Year 7 have been introduced to a whole new world of Science in Action. They are working in a laboratory and as a result have had to study the safety rules that come with learning in this environment. Our class has been learning the names of the different apparatus we use in Science experiments and have learnt how to safely light the very important Bunsen burner! The boys in our class will be doing a test to achieve their Bunsen Burner Licence very soon. This is a very important step to prepare for the many exciting experiments we will do this year!

Mrs Melissa Scaloni, Science Teacher

Library Update
Library Staff 2013

In 2013 we welcome Mrs Vikki Forrest who is well known to our students as an excellent Science teacher. Mrs Forrest will become part of the library team, working as teacher librarian and bringing her experience in Science to assist the boys with their research and study skills.

Library Monitors
At the Semester 2 Prize-Giving Ceremony at the end of Term 4 last year I was quietly pleased to note how many of the awardees were either current or past library monitors. Our monitors give excellent service to their fellow students and develop leadership skills and a connection to their library and their school which often provides a path to part time work or to other leadership roles in the school.

Five new trainees participated in a training day at the end of 2012 to skill up for the role of Library Monitor this year. The boys learned how to loan and return books at the circulation desk, were trained in laminating and photocopying as well as practising their shelving of fiction and nonfiction books. Assisting on the day were experienced monitors Ravinoor Roomi and Mario Jeremiah. The trainees enjoyed meeting the rest of the team at a special Thank You morning tea. The boys will join our team on probation for Term 1. At the end of their probation period they will be awarded their badges at assembly.

Our team this year includes:
Sumit Arora, Mustafa Barodawala, Cameron Cavanagh, Austin James, Mario Jeremiah, Kyle Morris, Ben Moussa, Arjun Nair, Jason Pinto, Aaron Pinto, Ravinoor Roomi, Patrick Ross, Aaron Saini, Norman Silivelio Iaseto, Monish Sundarampillai, Pujan Thapa

Trainees:
Joshua Besterwitch, Mohak Issar, Jonathan Mifsud, Silao Siaosi

Year 7 Special Invitation

New Year 7 boys are always welcome to visit the library but we are extending a special invitation on the first 3 Wednesdays this year. These lunchtimes will be Year 7 only days, when our new boys can familiarise themselves with the library operation and resources.

Mrs Sue Dracoulas, Teacher Librarian

Congratulations Joseph Gaerlan

Following the release of the 2012 Higher School Certificate (HSC) results, Joseph Gaerlan achieved outstanding recognition for his Visual Arts Major Work. His sculptural work titled, ‘The Women in my Life’, has been selected to be displayed in the prestigious ArtExpress Exhibition in 2013. ArtExpress recognises exemplary artworks created for the HSC in Visual Arts. Only a handful of students from over 9,500 students are selected to display their major artworks at this prestigious exhibition.

Congratulations Joseph!
Counsellor’s Corner
Welcome to Counsellor’s Corner! I hope this column is useful in supporting you as parents and care-givers of 21st century teenagers through life’s significant milestones. New beginnings can be both exciting and daunting. Teenage years are often referred to as a ‘roller coaster’ experience. Below are some hints for helping your son settle in at Patrician Brothers.

- Remember, most new students at any school have a period of settling in and adjustment.
- It is important to acknowledge what your son is experiencing. You can talk about how starting something new is always a bit scary. Talk to your son about change and reassure him that it is normal to feel temporarily anxious and unsure.
- Show confidence in your son’s ability to cope. Confidence is contagious.
- Encourage friendships and engaging in school activities. Ask about these. Fun is the best prescription for adjustment and belonging.
- If your son is having some difficulties settling, remind him of all the changes in his life he has already successfully negotiated.
- If your son thinks you are not coping, he will not cope. That is, find someone other than your son to talk about your own feelings.
- If you are having trouble dealing with a distressed teenager, enlist help (call me!) and share the burden.

Ms Linda Cassell, Counsellor

HSC Results 2012
Congratulations to the Year 12 students of 2012!

Our HSC results were exceptional. A few quick details:

- We were THE best performing school in the district
- We achieved our greatest percentage of Band 6 results in the history of our school
- We had a significant number of students achieve an ATAR above 90. Highest ATAR was 99.7

See the Director of Studies Report earlier in ‘The Focus’ for more details!

Parent Representative Council
Annual General Meeting: Monday 4 March 2013
Aengus Kavanagh Centre (behind Mt Druitt Hospital)
Railway Street, Mt Druitt
Time: 7.00 pm
Topic: Walking the Teenage Tightrope - Guest Speaker Clinical Psychologist

Council of Catholic School Parents Annual Conference
I am pleased to announce that our Diocese of Parramatta will be hosting this Conference for the first time in 10 years and all Catholic parents and staff in the Parramatta Diocese are warmly invited to attend.
Dates: Friday 24 to Sunday afternoon 26 May 2013
Where: Sebel Parramatta

Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral Saturday evening followed by Conference dinner in the Cathedral Hall.
Keynote Speakers:
Andrew Martin - How to Motivate Your Child
Fr Richard Leonard S.J - Faith in Learning
Brett Murray - Dad Warriors
Bishop Anthony Fisher - Opening Liturgy

If you are interested in attending this important parent conference you would like information regarding costs and receiving a registration form please contact

lynn.mckinnon@hotmail.com

Lynn McKinnon,
Acting President Parents Representative Council Diocese Parramatta
PRC Rep Patrician Brothers Blacktown

Ash Wednesday

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and lasts for forty days. It is common for Christians to receive a cross of ashes on their foreheads on this day. The Jews used the ashes of a sacrificed cow as a means of purification (Num 19:9). To the Jews, ashes had a sacred character and power and signified mortality, mourning and penance. Christians have adopted this practice and symbolism. Ashes placed on the forehead on Ash Wednesday symbolise sorrow for sin and serve as a reminder of our mortality. The Church burns palms left over from the previous year’s Palm Sunday celebration to make the ashes used on Ash Wednesday.

Mr Greg Beacroft, Liturgy Coordinator

Student Diaries for 2013

As parents are aware, every student at Patrician Brothers’ College in Years 7-12 receives a student diary. This is an important tool to facilitate communication between parents and teachers. Students are required to use their diary on a daily basis to help them organize their time effectively. We ask that parents sign their son’s diary on a weekly basis to assist teachers in monitoring each student’s progress.
Capital Works 2013

We have a continuing program of improving our physical learning environment here at Patrician Brothers’ College. Our plans for 2013 include:

- College crest and signage at front of school
- Painting of Hall stairwell, D Block Corridor, Front Foyer & A Block Corridor
- New Flooring in A Block, D Block and E Block corridors
- Hall Floor sanded and revarnished
- Hall Curtains dry cleaned
- Mulching of garden beds
- Service of PA System
- Service of all AC units
- Ovals maintained and marked
- Restoration of Chess Centre
- All outdoor tables sanded and resealed
- Line Marking
- Back Boards for Basketball courts repaired
- New College website

These works have already commenced with many tasks completed during January.
Twenty Year 11 students and three staff from Patrician Brothers’ College have started 2013 preparing both spiritually and physically as pilgrims to WYD Rio 2013.

Preparing: to be a part of a powerful immersion experience in Peru where we will follow in the footsteps of Saints like Martin de Porres and Rose of Lima.

Preparing: to discover the surprising joy and faith amidst the people as we work with Cartias Peru to “Build Houses and Hope” in the shanty towns of Lima.

Preparing: to join fellow Parramatta Pilgrims at the magnificent Iguazu Falls for catechesis, reconciliation, Eucharist and prayer.

Preparing: to journey to Rio de Janeiro to join Pope Benedict XVI and millions of young people from all nations for WYD 2013.

Preparing: to be disciples of Christ.

Anas (Year 11) was recently crowned the U/18 World Champion in both the 100 Metres and 200 Metres. Congratulations to both Anas and his coach Mr Robert Bangel. A huge achievement for a 16 year old. Our very own future Usain Bolt!

Mens 100 Metre Sprint Under 18
1, Anas Abu Ganaba, Australia, 10.88. 2, Jesse Usoalii, Australia, 11.07. 3, Xucheng Zhang, China, 11.10. 4, Weider Cardoso, Brazil, 11.11. 5, Austen Heuvel, New Zealand, 11.20. 6, Jacob Matson, New Zealand, 11.27. 7, Brett Farrell, New Zealand, 11.46. 8, Samuel Barbosa, Brazil, 11.65.

Mens 200 Metre Sprint Under 18
1, Anas Abu Ganaba, Australia, 21.85. 2, Jacob Matson, New Zealand, 22.49. 3, Xucheng Zhang, China, 22.57. 4, Trae Williams, Australia, 22.58. 5, Austen Heuvel, New Zealand, 22.60. 6, Brett Farrell, New Zealand, 22.74. 7, Bailey Stewart, New Zealand, 22.81. 8, Samuel Barbosa, Brazil, 23.44

Play AFL in 2013
Quakers Hill Bombers Junior AFL Club
Registration:
Wright Reserve, Pye Road Quakers Hill
9 & 10 February, 10.00am – 2.00pm
Representative Sport
Welcome to a new school year and the continuation of the 2012-13 representative sport season. As always, the College will participate in the Metropolitan Catholic Schools (MCS) weekly Thursday representative competition. The season began in Term 4 2012 and will conclude at the end of Term 3 2013. Sports that we compete in through MCS competitions and/or one day carnivals include:

- AFL
- Athletics
- Basketball
- Chess
- Cricket
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Rugby League
- Rugby Union
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Touch Football

Specific details about these sports can be found on the MCS website (listed below).

Participation in MCS competitions and carnivals will once again be the pathway for our elite students to represent at a state and national level. There are other sports that have a pathway to higher representative honours that are not part of the MCS calendar. Information about these sports can be found on the NSW CCC website (listed below).

Patrician Brothers’ College Blacktown has a proud history in representative sport and we look forward to enhancing this throughout the 2012-13 season. Finally, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new families who have joined us in 2013. If you have any questions regarding representative sport at our college please contact Mr Borg on 9671 3000.

MCS Website:
www.mcscolleges.com

NSW CCC Website:
www.csss.nsw.edu.au
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| Main Menu                           |          |                                         |          |
| Sandwiches                          |          | Pasta (Tubs)                             |          |
| Fresh Chicken                      | $3.00    | Pasta Salad/Bean                          | $2.00    |
| Leg Ham/Cheese/Tomato               | $3.50    | Chilli Chicken Pasta                      | $3.00    |
| Chicken/Lettuce/Mayo               | $3.50    | Tuna Pasta                               | $3.00    |
| Chicken Salad                      | $3.50    |                                          |          |
| Corned Beef Salad                  | $3.50    |                                          |          |
| Salmon/Onion/Lettuce               | $3.50    |                                          |          |
| Salmon/Onion/Tomato                | $3.50    |                                          |          |
| Ham Salad                           | $3.50    |                                          |          |
| Chicken Chilli                     | $3.50    |                                          |          |
| Turkey Salad                       | $3.50    |                                          |          |
| Corned Beef & Pickles              | $2.50    |                                          |          |
| Leg Ham                            | $2.50    |                                          |          |
| Salad                              | $2.70    |                                          |          |
| Egg & Lettuce                      | $2.50    |                                          |          |
| Curried Egg                        | $2.30    |                                          |          |
| Cheese & Tomato                    | $2.30    |                                          |          |
| Cheese                             | $1.50    |                                          |          |
| Peanut Butter                      | $1.20    |                                          |          |
| Vegemite                           | $1.20    |                                          |          |
| Bread & Butter                     | $0.30    |                                          |          |
| Buttered Roll                      | $0.50    |                                          |          |

| Rolls (Torpedo & Round)            |          |                                         |          |
| Salad                              | $3.50    |                                         |          |
| Chicken Salad                      | $4.00    |                                         |          |
| Corned Beef Salad                  | $4.00    |                                         |          |
| Ham Salad                          | $4.00    |                                         |          |
| Salmon/Tuna Salad                  | $4.00    |                                         |          |
| Assorted Wraps                     | $4.00    |                                         |          |

| Fruit                               |          |                                         |          |
| Assorted fresh pieces               | $0.80    |                                         |          |
| Fresh fruit salad                   | $2.50    |                                         |          |
| Watermelon Tubs                     | $2.00    |                                         |          |

| Pasta (Tubs)                        |          |                                         |          |
| Pasta Salad/Bean                    | $2.00    |                                         |          |
| Chilli Chicken Pasta                | $3.00    |                                         |          |
| Tuna Pasta                          | $3.00    |                                         |          |

| Salad Boxes                         |          |                                         |          |
| Plain Salad                         | $3.00    |                                         |          |
| Chicken Salad                       | $4.50    |                                         |          |
| Caesar Salad                        | $4.50    |                                         |          |
| Salmon/Tuna Salad                   | $4.50    |                                         |          |

| Pies/Sausage Rolls                  |          |                                         |          |
| Cheese & Bacon Rolls                | $2.50    |                                         |          |
| Jumbo Sausage Rolls                 | $2.80    |                                         |          |
| Low Fat Beef Rolls                  | $2.50    |                                         |          |
| Potato Pie                          | $3.50    |                                         |          |
| Vegetable Roll                      | $2.50    |                                         |          |

| Sauce                               |          |                                         |          |
| Tomato                              | $0.20    |                                         |          |
| Sweet & Sour                        | $0.30    |                                         |          |

| Hot Food                            |          |                                         |          |
| Assorted Pizzas (thin crust)        | $2.50    |                                         |          |
| Low Fat Hot Dogs                    | $2.50    |                                         |          |
| Cheese Dogs                         | $3.00    |                                         |          |
| Chilli Cheese Dogs                  | $2.50    |                                         |          |
| Spaghetti Bolognese                 | $3.50    |                                         |          |
| Low Fat Fantastic Noodles           | $3.00    |                                         |          |
| Chicken and Corn Roll               | $2.00    |                                         |          |
| Ham & Cheese Croissant              | $3.00    |                                         |          |
| Potato Wedges – Sour Cream and sweet chilli sauce | $4.00 | 
| Nachos – salsa, sour cream and cheese | $4.00 | 

| Warm Rolls                          |          |                                         |          |
| Chilli Chicken                      | $4.00    |                                         |          |
| BBQ Beef                            | $4.00    |                                         |          |
| Chicken & Mayo                      | $4.00    |                                         |          |

| Burgers                             |          |                                         |          |
| Low Fat Beef Pattie with Salad on Roll | $4.00 | 
| Chicken on Fresh Bun with Lettuce and Mayo | $4.00 | 

| Fruit                               |          |                                         |          |
| Assorted fresh pieces               | $0.80    |                                         |          |
| Fresh fruit salad                   | $2.50    |                                         |          |
| Watermelon Tubs                     | $2.00    |                                         |          |
Canteen Price List - 2013
(Amber menu)

Chilli Chicken on Fresh Bun with Lettuce and Mayo $4.00
Fish Pattie on Fresh Bun with Lettuce and Tartare Sauce $4.00
Vegetarian Pattie with Salad on Roll $4.00

Cakes (as per educational guidelines)
Assorted Cakes $2.50
Jumbo Muffins $3.00

Snack Foods
(approved by the canteen association)
Cereal Based Bars $2.00
Fruit Bars $2.00
Breakfast Bars $2.00
Popcorn $1.50
Chips (40gm – 50gm) $2.00 - $2.20

Yoghurts (varieties)
Fresh $1.50
Frozen $1.50

Ice Creams (Peters)
(As per educational guidelines)

Lite Jellies (varieties)
Small $1.00
Large $1.50
Jelly and Custard $2.00

Milk (plain)
300ml $1.00
600ml $1.80
1 Litre $2.00

Flavoured Milk (varieties)
(Low fat as approved by the P & C association) $3.00

Juices
Orange
Orange & Mango $3.00
Orange & Passionfruit
Pineapple
Apple & Blackcurrant

Cool Drinks
(Assorted Lite Varieties)
Cans $2.20
450mL $3.00
600mL $3.30
Spring Water 600ml $2.20
Flavoured Power Water $3.50
Gatorade (varieties) $3.50

SPECIAL SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND SUSHI DAYS PLANNED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Our canteen managers—Dean Ewer and Mark Ewer are looking forward to ensuring that our students are fed well and served quickly. A reminder that the canteen is open for BREAKFAST every day from 8.15am.

Parking / Entry to School Grounds
Parents and carers are reminded of the need to keep vehicles out of College grounds during the following times:
8am to 9:15am
and
3:15pm to 4pm

As Marion Street is usually heavily congested before and after school, please arrange to drop off and meet your son in the Kmart car park or the council car park adjacent to the Blacktown TAFE. Near misses in 2012 demand that this rule be reinforced. Your cooperation is essential.
Olympic dream drives Anas to victory

Peter Theodossiou

As a teenager, Anas Abu Ganaba was told by his brothers and sisters that he would never achieve anything in life. But Anas never gave up on his dreams and worked hard to fulfill them.

Anas, 15, is setting the Australian athletics scene on fire after winning gold medals in the 100m and 200m races at the Australian Youth Olympics Festival last week.

His best runners from China, Brazil and New Zealand to claim gold in the 100m in 10.68 secs on Friday at Sydney Olympic Park.

He followed that with victory in the 100m on Saturday in a time of 21.59 secs, an improvement from the 22.07sec he registered last month.

“It was an amazing feeling, I didn’t expect that at all,” he said.

“If I was to describe it, it was a real rush. I was really nervous before the races.”

Last month Ganaba won a gold medal in the 200m and a silver medal in the 100m sprint race at the Australian All schools Athletics Championships in Hebburn.

The Patrician Brothers College, Blacktown, student was undefeated over 200m in all competitions last year with regional and state honours under his belt.

Ganaba started competing in athletics in 2011 and coach Robert Bangal said his pupil has yet to reach his full potential.

“I’m surprised that he has got this far without professional training,” Bangal said. “A little bit of guidance and he will improve out of sight.”

Ganaba left war-torn Sudan at the age of four to follow his dreams of becoming a competitive sprinter.

His goal is to compete at the 2016 Olympics in Brazil.

Future is golden for Anas

ATHLETICS

Newspaper Articles
December 2011 - January 2012

Locals top the state

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS SET UP THEIR FUTURES

Newspaper Articles
December 2011 - January 2012
St Patrick’s Soccer Club

St Patrick’s Soccer Club has been coaching children of the Blacktown district for over 35 years. We coach boys and girls from 6 years old and we have an excellent reputation for offering a great environment for everyone to play this fantastic sport.

Registration Dates for 2013
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5.30pm-7.00pm (from 12 Feb)
Where: Anne Aquilina Reserve, Eastern Road, Doonside (directly across from Blacktown Olympic Park)
If you would like more information about St Pat’s Soccer Club or have any questions about registration, please go to our website www.stpatssoccer.com or call Silvana Martignago on 0422 747 235.

St Patrick’s Junior Rugby League Club
Established in 1967

Want to play Rugby League with a great club?

Registration Dates for 2013
When: Saturday 9 February, 3pm—6pm
Where: Sportsmans Hotel, Kildare Road Blacktown
• We are a family club catering for all players
• Players required for Under 6 to A Grade
• Coaching & Training positions available
Please contact:
Niva on 0450255296
Simon on 0414742889
www.stpatricksjrlc.com.au
stpatsjrlfc@aim.com

Photos in the Newsletter ‘The Focus’
As you no doubt appreciate, we pride ourselves on the young men in our care. Hence we go to great trouble to pictorially feature students in all facets of their learning here at Patrician Brothers’ College. If for any reason you do not wish your son’s image to be used you must forward a request in WRITING addressed to the Principal. Otherwise we will assume that no parent has an objection to their son’s photo being used in the newsletter, website and other school publications.

Please visit our website and follow the link to our OFFICIAL Facebook Page:

http://www.patsblacktown.nsw.edu.au

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St Pat’s Soccer Club

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