The Magic Pebbles

Why do we have to learn all of this dumb stuff?

Of all the complaints and questions I have heard from my students during my years in the classroom, this was the one most frequently uttered. I would answer it by recounting the following parable:

One night a group of shepherds were suddenly surrounded by a great light. With great anticipation, they awaited a heavenly message of great importance that they knew must be especially for them.

Finally, the voice spoke, "Gather as many pebbles as you can. Put them in your bags. Travel a day's journey and tomorrow night will find you glad and it will find you sad."

After having departed, the shepherds shared their disappointment and anger with each other. They had expected the revelation of a great universal truth that would enable them to create wealth, health and purpose for the world. But instead they were given a menial task that made no sense to them at all. However, the memory of the brilliance of the light caused each one to pick up just a few pebbles and deposit them in their bags while voicing their displeasure.

They travelled a day's journey and that night while making camp, they reached into their bags and discovered every pebble they had gathered had become a sparkling diamond. They were glad they had diamonds. But they were sad they had not gathered more pebbles!

In our education and throughout life we do not know which pebbles are going to turn out to be diamonds. Everything we learn without knowing why we are learning it, is a pebble. My hope for each and every student is that you will learn all that you can now, pick up as many pebbles as you can and you will be able to look forward to a sparkling future!

Please take care of each other,
Santo Passarello
From the Assistant Principal
The last fortnight has seen several major events at the College. Our Year 9 and 11 Parent/Teacher Evening was a great success with tremendous support from parents and students; we noted up an important victory in our second match of the GIO Schoolboy Cup against a formidable opponent in Westfields Sports High School; our Soccer and Rugby League teams donned their football gear for Winter Sports Photos; Year 10 students and parents gathered for the Year 11 2014 Subject Information Evening, and last but not least, our music students featured in the Captivate Showcase Concert held at Nagle College.

The victory in the GIO Cup match against Westfields was impressive in itself, but just as exciting as the actual score line was the response of the Year 7 spectators we sent to the game to cheer on our team. In their first experience of our “Go Patties” school spirit, the Year 7 boys cheered and yelled until they were hoarse, and eventually their sheer enthusiasm lifted our team from a half-time deficit to a full time victory.

In coming weeks we look forward to our Year 8 and 10 Parent/Teacher Evening on Tuesday 25/6 (Term 2 Week 9); the departure of our large student and staff group for World Youth Day in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil on 13/7; the Semester One Prize-Giving on Friday 19/7 (Term 3 Week 1); and our annual Athletics Carnival at Homebush on Wednesday 24/7 (Term 3 Week 2).

In terms of reminders for this week – we again mention the importance of punctuality each morning for the students. While the vast majority of our students are always on time and thoroughly prepared for the day ahead in terms of uniform, books and equipment, we do find a small group who are continually late for school for no apparent reason and are poorly organised for the lessons they have each day. These are crucial skills for our students to learn and for some will be a key factor in them gaining and retaining employment in the years to come. In 2011 we introduced detentions based on repeated lateness - and this has certainly had a significant impact - but there are still some students who are either unable or unwilling to improve their punctuality. Your assistance and support are crucial in this area.

We also remind students about the need to always be on their best behaviour in public, particularly around the Blacktown area and while using public transport to and from school. In the age of mobile technologies, incidents of misconduct, ranging from minor problems right through to more serious issues, are often captured on video, either by official security cameras or passers-by using mobile phones. These images are often forwarded to Blacktown Police, transport authorities or the school for investigation and sanction. While some students and parents might bemoan this apparent loss of privacy, the solution is simple. Behave sensibly at all times – and be noticed for the right reasons.

Mr Brian Edmonds

Library Update
This week in the library, Mr Beacroft’s Year 7 class looked at the different genres in the Bible. The Bible was likened to our library. Just as our library has many different kinds of books, the Bible is also composed of a number of different books. The students looked at some of the different writing styles in the Bible and this gave them some insight into the organisation and arrangements of the different parts of the

Bible. Students learned that epic passages were stories which involved a hero, Prophecies were messages from God delivered by a prophet and Myths help to explain in a profound way the creation of the Earth. They then were given time to look at the Bible and other books to find examples of these different genres.

Reminder regarding Printing
We have had a few cases over the past few weeks, where students are unable to print due to the printer not being able to recognise the user. We ask please that all students remember to LOG OUT after using the desk tops and laptops, as it has become impossible for the printer to identify the user when there are a number of users still active in the system. Our new Bears Printing System is designed to allow for ease of printing for all students. We also remind students that printing is most efficient when you use your OWN log in and student card. Thanks so much for your patience with learning the new system. It is proving to be very efficient and user friendly.

Mr Sue Dracoulas, Teacher/Librarian

Review for Book Bites
Our library subscribes to a series called "Issues in Society" and I draw your attention to some recent editions. The "Asylum seekers and immigration debate" is centre stage on our national agenda and this book is an excellent resource (published 2013) to inform and clarify one's perspective on this issue – political briefing papers, fact sheets from Government departments, Amnesty International, the Human Rights commission, Churches…….Worksheets at the end would assist individuals or classes to synthesise the information. Among the other topics that have recently arrived in our library are Same-sex marriage, Media ethics and Homeless People. Highly recommended for personal reflection, senior classroom use or debaters/public speakers.

Mr Kim Crawford

Parent Representative Council
The President of the PRC recently visited Patrician Brothers’ College to acknowledge and thank two of our outstanding Year 11 musicians who had performed at the PRC Conference. Pictured below is Dr Selina Calleia, President of the PRC, with Karl Serna and Jerome Reinoso.
Year 9 Social
Our boys were absolutely wonderful in their presentation and participation. A great evening for both Patrician Brothers’ College and Nagle College! Thank you to our staff whose presence ensured a successful evening for our students: Mrs Mel D'Cruz, Mr Nathan Campbell, Mr Adam Hartigan, Mr Matt Hartigan, Mr Danny De Alwis, Br Peter Higgins, Mr Heath Borg, Mr Jim Prendergast, Ms Erenie Sawiers, Mr Robert Bangel, Mr Chris Hersey, Mr Ben Miller, Mr Paul Kenyon, Mr Chris Shanahan, Mr John Scavo, Mr Adnan Saleh, Mr Jordan Williams, Ms Melissa Lupino, Mr Steve Taylor, Mr Torqy D’Souza, Mr Bruce Baker, Ms Belinda Pearce, Ms Leanne Sultana, Ms Linda Cassell and Mr Santo Passarello.
From the Director of Studies

Important Information for Year 12 Students

2013 HSC Assessment Ranking Appeals

Important Dates:
- 4 November: Assessment rank appeal forms available via Schools Online
- 6 November: Last day of HSC examinations
- 11 November: Latest date for students to submit Applications for School Review of Assessment Ranking to their Principal

Higher School Certificate examinations: information for students regarding the certification of projects, submitted works and performances

Boys who have chosen to study a course that has a practical project, submitted work or performance as part of the HSC examination it is important that your project is all your own work (apart from any approved assistance), and that you and your school are able to certify to the Board of Studies that this is the case.

What does certification of my project/performance mean?
You will be required to sign a declaration similar to the following:

I declare that:

- the planning, development, content and presentation of this project is my own work, except for the limited material, if any, drawn from acknowledged sources
- I have not copied another person’s work
- I have not submitted this work, in any part, for any HSC examination or assessment task in any other course
- I have not worked on it after 9:00 am on the completion/hand-in date
- I have read and discussed with my parent/guardian/carer the Higher School Certificate Rules and Procedures, including those on plagiarism and malpractice
- I understand that if this declaration contains false information I might not be eligible to receive my Higher School Certificate results.

Your supervising teacher will ask you to sign the declaration when you hand in your project or submitted work, or when you present for your performance examination.

Your supervising teacher and your principal are also required to sign a declaration. They must certify that your project, submitted work or performance:

- complies with the Board’s requirements
- is your own work
- has been done under their supervision and is consistent with other examples of your work.

If you are planning a project that will need some work to be completed away from school, your teacher must agree that they can supervise your project and they must also be sure that it comprises only your own work. You must obtain your school’s permission before you start on such a project.

Campion Knowledge Quest

Year 11 students Adam Boidin, Isaiah Mercado, Jarrett Spice and James Tikolevu admirably competed in the Campion Knowledge Challenge last Tuesday night. They had a round of very challenging and rather obscure general knowledge questions losing by a mere two points to Redfield College. They then had to complete a written knowledge test. It was a great evening of challenges and the inevitable disappointments and triumphs and the boys have come away a little wiser in some areas of philosophy that I am sure they will not forget.

Quarter Finals of CSSA Debating Competition

This Friday evening sees our Year 11 Senior A Debating team compete in the Quarter Finals. Congratulations to Adam Boidin, Ryan Soury, Kyle Singh and Luke Smith. They have been training every Thursday and are prepared for the challenge. Competitive debating is challenging and highly rewarding. Not only do the boys have fun, but they also meet new people, learn to work together as a team, practise the all-important public speaking skills, develop their analytical skills by critically analysing a problem and offering workable solutions, keeping up to date with current affairs and developing excellent listening skills. Debating is a great experience and many top lawyers, business executives, doctors, engineers and elected leaders were once high school debaters. Debating is a great experience, looks great on your resume, develops life-long skills and is fun!

Early Offers Year 12

The E12 Scheme is offered to students from low socio-economic backgrounds and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. There are 25 courses on offer in this scheme across eleven faculties at Sydney University. Students can nominate themselves and should discuss their application prior to applying. The benefits of the E12 scheme include:

- An early conditional offer to the University of Sydney before final HSC exams start
- Specific E12 ATAR cut-offs (lower than standard ATARs)
- UAC offer in the early January round
- A $5000 first-year scholarship
- Additional accommodation scholarships available to successful E12 students
- Transition support from school to university, early orientation and mentoring
- An Apple iPad to help students in their studies
- A University of Sydney Union Access card that gives discounts on and off the campus.

Download the brochure from: sydney.edu.au/e12

If interested please see Mrs Paton

Mrs Danuta Paton

First Aid Course

Recently, a combination of 42 boys from Year 11 PDHPE, Construction and Sport, Fitness and Recreation took part in the First Aid Course. Run by the Royal Life Saving Society, the boys completed a practical examination based on Resuscitation, bandaging and the general administration of First Aid. The practical exam was run over Periods 1 to 3 and part of period 4, with the boys passing all aspects of the course and thus, gaining valuable knowledge and hands on experience in First Aid.

Mr Manny Scalone, PDHPE Teacher
Merit Awards

It has taken almost half a year, but we finally have a fortnight where there are award recipients from every Year! Very exciting! Special mention must go to the many students who are receiving their second, third or even fourth award for the year. Congratulations to the following award recipients for this fortnight. These awards will be distributed at upcoming Year and College Assemblies.

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Good luck for the final week of Term 2, and have a terrific break.

Mrs Marie Lane, Merit Awards Coordinator

LOTE Update

From Mrs Manuela Lavaselli, LOTE Facilitator:
Bonjour , buongiorno everybody!
We have just had a very interesting week for languages! I have had the opportunity to converse with my Year 10 Italian Students. We spoke in Italian and after the first few moments it was pleasant to see them more comfortable engaging in this language.
Our school is focusing on literacy this year throughout every subject and all Languages classes from Year 8 to 10 have now done their literacy test, writing summaries or recounts about French and Italian movies or documentaries. For example Year 8 French classes watched Asterix et les jeux olympiques. Italian classes watched either Two Greedy Italians or Francesco’s Italy top to toe. The students really enjoyed the insight into French and Italian cultures and it was amazing to see them interested and asking questions. One of the most popular documentaries among the students was Two Greedy Italians where students had the chance to discover new Italian foods and recipes. Arrivederci alla prossima.

From Mr John Scavo, LOTE Teacher:
Salut, ciao and greetings to our final presentations of Year 8 students’ glogster projects on Classical Italian Legends. A deserving grazie to all students who engaged successfully with this popular activity. Here are several of the most honoured in order of prominence. Enjoy!

Galileo Galilei - This Italian scientist, also known as the “Father of Modern Astronomy” is a legend and my hero. His discoveries and inventions have altered the course of human progress forever. Thanks to his insights in the fields of mathematics, physics and astronomy, our exploration of the cosmos is a contemporary reality we all marvel at.

Dante Alighieri - A man of letters, he is considered the “Father of Italian Language and Literature”. Intellectually gifted as poet and writer, he composed The Divine Comedy in the vernacular and challenged established literary conventions, thus expanding the possibilities for linguistic experimentation. A talented yet humble man, he is my hero because of all that he accomplished for humanity.

Leonardo da Vinci - What a genuinely remarkable “Renaissance Man” who has presented us with the subtle, mystical smile of the Mona Lisa. Likewise his Last Supper is a treasured testament to the brilliant application of symmetry in artistic representation. This man’s ability to share knowledge in alternative proportions inspires me do the best I can.

Nicholas Zay
From the College Captain
Term 2 has been a trying part of 2013, with many students sitting a large cluster of half-yearly examinations and receiving their Semester One reports. As the midway point of the year is reached, it is essential that all students maintain the same level of commitment and dedication to their work that they have shown so far throughout the year. As HSC trials are approaching, I’d like to wish the best of luck to all of the Year 12 students, and ask them to recognise that only a very small fraction of their 13-year school journey remains. I hope that everyone has a great holiday and is ready for the challenges that Term 3 will present.

Julian Pecora, College Captain

SRC Update
SRC meetings this Term have been a great success! We have welcomed the Year 7 class captains, who were chosen by their peers as the representatives for their homerooms. At recent meetings we discussed strategies to deal with the issue of litter, in which various outcomes were established and will hopefully be implemented in the school shortly. The Angelus has proved a success; with feedback suggesting that all classes are stopping work to join in prayer each day at midday. I would like to thank all the individuals who attend these meetings. They take time out of their lunch in order to help address issues in our school. I wish everyone safe and happy holidays.

Daniel Osborne, SRC Captain

Year 10 Visual Arts
Recently the Year 10 Visual Arts students went to Palm Beach to display their Sea themed sculptures. It was a wonderful day where the boys got to appreciate their sculptures in situ. They have been making them in the class room where it has been quite difficult to create a beach atmosphere and for them to really appreciate how wonderful the artworks would look at the beach. These works were photographed and sketched in readiness to do a graphic layout in their VAPD’s. There were many tourists at Palm Beach and they were quite impressed with the artworks and were impressed with the extra curricular opportunity provided by our College. A real feather in our cap. Well done Patties!

Barbara Newton, Visual Arts Ccoordinator

Year 10 Liquid Nitrogen Demonstration
After senior Physics used liquid nitrogen for their investigations, the Year 10 Science classes got the opportunity to observe the air's most abundant gas in its liquid state. Super cooled to below minus 170 degrees celsius, the liquid nitrogen displays some amazing properties. Mr Kitchner demonstrated the properties of this element, including its ability to flash freeze many objects including fruit and flowers (similar water content to humans) and rubber, which can be shattered if thrown to the ground or hit with a hammer. Mr Kitchner also cooled the air in a balloon to a liquid, which made the balloon shrink to almost empty. The boys were quite shocked when the balloon appeared to re-inflate after it warmed back to air temperature. The nitrogen also boiled immediately when poured onto concrete. The analogy of water being poured onto a BBQ hot plate was used to explain what was going on. The students learned about the strength of the bonds that common molecules like water and nitrogen have and were able to describe the physical changes that occurred throughout these demonstrations.

Mr Chris Ferry, Acting Science Coordinator
Thursday Morning Mass
As you know, we have the rare privilege of celebrating the Eucharist every Thursday morning at 8.15am in our College Chapel. This is a wonderful opportunity for students and staff to gather each week in a most significant and prayerful manner. Last week our Mass coincided with the celebration of St Anthony of Padua’s Feast Day. Padua, the home of this wonderful and inspirational Saint is of course on the itinerary for next year’s trip to France and Italy!
Breakfast with Bishop Anthony Fisher and Cardinal George Pell
25 students and 6 staff joined Mr Passarello at a special breakfast recently hosted by Bishop Anthony Fisher. His guest was Cardinal George Pell and the topic was the Conclave. A fascinating and insightful opportunity to hear from two of our Church leaders!

The atmosphere at the Breakfast was very relaxed yet full of energy. There was a friendly and peaceful community feeling in the Cathedral hall. The number of young people was impressive! Cardinals George Pell's insights into the papacies of Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict, was fascinating. Did you know the Parramatta diocese has over 90 youth groups? Impressive!

Ray Camilleri, Patrician Brothers' College WYD Supervisor

Breakfast with Cardinal Pell and Bishop Fisher was a great opportunity for the youth of the Parramatta Diocese to come together with a meal, prayer, dancing, and an interesting history lesson on the Papacy. Cardinal Pell offered us some insights into what to expect from our newly elected Pope Francis. It was a great event to bring the youth of the Diocese together.

PS: Those of us heading to Rio are becoming very excited!

Jessica Fleming, Patrician Brothers' College WYD Pilgrim

The atmosphere was relaxed and informal and I really felt a sense of community and belonging. So many ethnic groups were present at St Patrick’s Cathedral, and yet, all proud to be part of the same country and faith. I particularly liked the traditional dances from Samoa and Africa. Another beautiful moment was when we released a rosary made of coloured balloons. I was also very interested in the insights into the conclave that Cardinal George Pell gave us. I sincerely appreciated the chance I was given to participate in such a meaningful event.

Manuela Lavaselli, Patrician Brothers' College WYD Pilgrim

What a wonderful experience listening to Cardinal George Pell speak on the Conclave and Pope Francis. He spoke with warmth, humour and honesty. The Cardinal’s reflection on Pope Francis as a pastoral Pope made those like me making the pilgrimage to WYD even keener to encounter Pope Francis in Rio. The breakfast with the Cardinal, hosted by Bishop Anthony, was the perfect way for the young and not so young to learn more about the Catholic Church and our faith from the leaders of the Church in Australia.

Jim Prendergast, Patrician Brothers' College WYD Supervisor

I enjoyed being able to get together with work colleagues, students and people from the Diocese, sharing a meal and openly being able to talk about my faith. It was a great positive atmosphere and it made me realise that the Bishop and Cardinal are also people who have had an upbringing like us and have a sense of humour. The Cardinal gave a very insightful history of the Popes in the Catholic Church. I feel privileged to be attending WYD in 2013.

Angela Pham, Patrician Brothers’ College WYD Pilgrim
Student Leadership Forum
Recently a group of Year 11 students were selected to attend a Student Leadership Forum that was held at Patrician Brothers’ College Fairfield. Guest speakers in attendance included the Hon Chris Bowen MP, the Hon Kevin Rudd, the Hon David Bradbury, Detective Superintendent Deborah Wallace AFP and also Lisa Wilkinson from Channel 9. We attended with numerous other schools from the surrounding district. The day consisted of keynote addresses from Chris Bowen and Kevin Rudd as well as a Q&A session with David Bradbury, Deborah Wallace AFP and Lisa Wilkinson. Later in the day we broke up into small groups and received a booklet that informed us of leadership values and morals. Leadership was expressed to us as coping with change and rising and adapting to a challenge. Kevin Rudd stated that we should work with our passion and strive to our highest potential. Some quotes from our students:

Passion should be your profession. Joshua Singh
Leadership is about coping with change. Danny Sadek
Leadership comes from the heart. Vonn De La Torre
Leadership is something that is worked towards and is not achieved overnight. Andrew Dous
Leadership is gained from adversity. Jerome Reinoso
The key to happiness is giving back to others. Jason Gomes
We should share our talents and knowledge with others that they made succeed in life. Andrew Mallet
You need to fall before you can lead. Miguel Anonuevo
What you are most passionate about is what you are going to be best at. Karl Serna

Cans, Cans and more Cans

Hi my good friends. As you can see from the photo my good friends and the school community keep bringing in those aluminium cans. The reason for this large amount is the price went down a few weeks ago so I was encouraged not to recycle cans until the price of aluminium went up. So last week the value rose somewhat so I received good value for my labour. I got 80 cents for 100 cans. It takes many, many cans, copper and donations to reach $137,000.00.

None of this money is wasted on advertising or publicity. It all goes directly to the various children in need overseas i.e. Kenya, Ghana, Papua New Guinea and South Sudan. I would like to thank especially Paul Out and Billy Borg (seen here in the picture) for their continued help in collecting and loading these cans.

So all you parents and friends who have plenty of cans, copper or a donation PLEASE do not be shy in allowing me to raise money for charity.

Thanks again for your continued support over the years.
Brother Peter Higgins

MCS Finals Series – Rugby League and Soccer
By the time this edition goes to print we will have been represented in 10 of the 15 MCS Grand Finals across the sports of Rugby League and Soccer. This is after having 16 of our 20 teams competing in Grand Final qualifying matches during Semi Final week. This is an amazing achievement and clearly stands us out as the premier College for these sports within our association. Congratulations to the coaches and players of the following teams.

Rugby League: 13C, 14A, 14B, 14C 15A, 15B 16A and Tier A
Soccer: Year 8A, Year 9A and A Grade.

General
With the coming conclusion of winter sports upon us, the students are now preparing for the Term 3 MCS competitions. Sports available include:

Touch Football
AFL
Rugby Union
Tennis
Athletics
Golf

Students wanting more information about any of these sports should see Mr Borg.

NSWCCC
We pass on our best wishes to boys in the following sports who are competing at State or National Championships in the coming weeks. These players have all qualified through the NSWCCC selection pathway.

U15 and U18 Australian Schoolboys Rugby League
U18 NSW All Schools Soccer
U16 NSW All schools Rugby Union
Yr11/12 NSWCCC Basketball
NSW CCC - www.csss.nsw.edu.au
MCS - www.mcscolleges.com
Twitter - @pbbsport
Mr Heath Borg, MCS Coordinator

NSWCCC U15 Representatives
Following the recent tournament we had the following boys selected in the U/15s NSWCCC Rugby League team;

From MCS - Ben Cartwright, Jonah Metuangaro, Stefano Soni, Samuel Radovu, Ray Maroun, Jake Gillett-Gow.

From The Presidents - Mose Feilo, Mitchell Butfield

The boys from our school were exceptional on and off the field. I have to highlight one proud moment. Following Ray Maroun’s last game he approached a disabled child in the crowd and gave him his Number 9 MCS jersey. It didn't surprise me when I was told by his MCS coach that he constantly displays a maturity beyond his years. The boys that saw this happen came straight up to me in such awe of him. Very inspiring!

Mr Matthew Hartigan, Coach
PBB School Sport
Indoor Squash Centre

Students play each other in a knock out tournament weekly. Once they have played each other and elimination rounds are complete, the winners play on. The standouts for this week included Klayne Soans, Jayden Leishman and Jake Mooy. There is a new competition starting next Term and the winner will WIN a new squash racket donated by the Rooty Hill Squash Centre. Enrol now boys as it will be first in best dressed!!

Find your pic on Instagram @PBBSchoolSport
Mrs Melanie D’Cruz, PBC Sports Journalist

NSW Rugby Champs
On the Queen's Birthday long weekend, a record number of 16 Patrician Brothers students competed in the NSWJRU State Championships at a variety of venues across the state. The quality of rugby at these championships is extremely high and from all reports the boys did themselves proud on the grandest arena for NSW Junior Rugby players. Congratulations to:
Simeone Fidow (U/12 Penrith), Loclan Banfield (U/13 Penrith), TJ Rangi, Vaotangi Mafi, Aaron Cairns, Xavier Letufuga, Max Ngarau, Jordan Antoun, Connor Thomson, Connor Tunks, Christian Williams (U/13 Parramatta), Riley Tainton (U/14 Penrith), Teeson Lemusu, Daniel Corkett (U/14 Parramatta), Delahoya Manu, Francale Betham-Misa, Austin Latu, Beni Valu and Johann Schaaf (U/15 Penrith).

Mr Chris Ferry, Rugby Union Coach

State of Origin

The success of Patrician Brothers’ College in Rugby League continues with the unprecedented selection of 3 current students and 2 ex-students in the State of Origin squads.

They are:

U16 NSW State of Origin
Joseph Tramontana

U18 NSW State of Origin
Tyrell Fuimaono
Dallin Watene-Zelezniak

NSW State of Origin
Andrew Fifita
Luke Lewis
GIO Schoolboy Cup – Pool Match 2 – 12 June 2013
Patrician Brothers’ College, Blacktown vs Westfields Sports High
New Era Stadium, Cabramatta

The game commenced with Westfield Sports High receiving the kick off and on the 3rd tackle dropped the ball. From the ensuing scrum Joshua Aloiai split the defence and ran 20 metres to score under the posts and with the conversion we led 6-0 after 2 minutes of play.

The next 28 minutes of the half did not bring us any joy - dropped balls, giving away penalties and errors had us on the defensive and provided Westfields with plenty of opportunities to get on the scoreboard, and they did. They were playing with energy and enthusiasm and at half time we were trailing 10-6 and things were looking bleak. I had the feeling that it would take an almighty effort for us to get away with a win.

Half time talk by the coaches emphasised the need to play with the same energy and enthusiasm that our opponents were displaying because it was now the team who wanted to win most who would come out on top.

What a transformation the second half turned out to be. Westfields came out and played as though they had the game won. They did not display the energy and enthusiasm that was evident in their game in the first half.

Our team came out for the second half determined to put their first half effort behind them and throw everything they had at our opponents.

Did it work? Did it what! The team showed true Patties spirit! They cut out the errors they were making in the first half and attacked our opponent’s line incessantly with the outcome being 5 tries in a great display of attacking football.

The team, with this win, have placed themselves in a very good position to make the semi-finals and if they can repeat this second half performance in future games our prospects of keeping the GIO Cup in our trophy cabinet are extremely bright.

It would be rude of me if I did not mention the contribution of our hardy band of supporters who lifted the team in the second half when they needed it most. Thank you!

Result:
Patrician Brothers’ College Blacktown 34 defeated Westfields Sports High 16
Tries – Joshua Aloiai, Tyrone May, Sione Utia Katoa, Marcelo Montoya Junior, Peter Tiatia and Sione Tonga
Goals – Sione Tonga x 5

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Bottom Right: Wonders of Europe!
Parramatta Eels youngest Matt Moylan has the touch of Benji Marshall

Matt Moylan makes a break for the Panthers in a cup clash. Photo: Cathy Bong

ASK Matt Moylan the secret to those incredible hands, a pair of mitts said to be among the most gifted of any at Penrith, and the rookie fullback shrugs:

"Ah, Bahah," he says with an embarrassed smile. "Misty's [from playing] a little bit of touch footy as well, you know."

While he may not be like the most explosive interview subject, Moylan, 21, is already being touted as key part of a Panthers' rebuilding project that continues against the Roosters at Allianz Stadium today.


And while his NRL debut, only six days ago against Parramatta, may have started with Andrew Johns telling "TJ" he'll be the sixth member of "The Trinity", it finished with Bathurst great Matt Geyer tweeting: "Misty Moylan, best debut in a Panthers jersey since the great [Brett] Ratten left back in '86."

Outstanding against the Eels, the Penrith No. 70 played a leading hand in three tries, including perhaps the best try on well since this year.

Then in a tradition usually reserved for retiring players, Moylan was given the last conversion attempt of the game ... and missed it.

Asked this week if he was aware of the high praise from Geyer, the young Panther said: "Yeah, some of my mates told me about it."

So a big night for celebrations then? "Nah, I just went straight home ... still like with my parents."

Yet while Moylan may be quicker than a Tasmanian devil, plenty are taking him.

As the young fullback was papped by press, Marshall was elucidated in the press after the Panthers' win. Marshall also makes the POLICED TEAM

Newspaper Articles

FULLBACK'S DREAM COMES TRUE

By Chris Newsome

There were some heartbreaks this weekend in the NRL, with Parramatta losing to Melbourne on Saturday and Penrith being edged out by Canterbury on Sunday. But one of the bright spots was the fullbacking of Matt Moylan, who had a standout performance.

"Misty Moylan," as he is known, had a dream start to his NRL career. A former City acting as a young player, Moylan was signed by the Panthers in 2011 and has been waiting for his opportunity to shine.

In his first start for the club, Moylan showed all the qualities that made him a standout in the Under 20s. He was quick, agile and had a good kicking game. But his best asset is his hand-eye coordination, which helped him score two tries against the Eels, including the match-winner.

"I feel like I've been playing for a long time now," Moylan said.

"I was nervous to play in my first NRL game, but I was able to stay calm and focused. I knew I had to perform well to keep my place in the team."

Moylan's breakthrough earned him a call-up to the Australian under-20s team for the World Cup. But the young fullback is keeping his feet on the ground and looking forward to the challenges ahead.

"I just want to keep improving and playing well for the Panthers," Moylan said.

"I know I have a lot of work to do, but I'm excited to see what the future holds."

The Panthers' coaching staff are also impressed with Moylan's progress.

"He's been working hard in the gym and has really taken the opportunity when it presented itself," said head coach Anthony Griffin.

"We're really excited to see what he can do in the future."

Moylan's performance has been noticed by the rugby league community, with many predicting a bright future for the young fullback.

"He's got all the ingredients to be a top player," said former Panthers fullback Adam Mogg.

"I'm sure he'll go a long way, just like we did."
NSW under-16
Origin openers

By Chris Boulous

Four Patrician Brothers will taste the blue and gold for the first time when they represent New South Wales under-16's to play Queensland in the curtain raiser to the June 1 Origin I match.

Michael Doolan, Simon Fomum, Mark Griffiths and Joseph Flamontana capped a magical fortnight after playing their part in the first successful Harold Matthew's Cup campaign and National Championship victory.

Mark Griffiths, Flamontana and Doolan it was their second under-16's success.

The quartet have certainly made their mark on the junior rugby league scene.

On the last weekend, Fomum — a talented backrower — kicked the winning conversion from the sideline to complete a last minute comeback in the National final.

The Casey Sharks of Griffith's senior side in the preliminary final cemented their place in the decider.

Griffiths, who plays in the centres, five-eighth Doolan and Fomum all attended Westfields Sports High who started their GIIO Schoolboys Cup campaign in a fortnight.

Doolan is captain and Flamontana anchors Patrician Brothers College, Blacktown, who were the 2013 GIIO Schoolboys Cup winners also selected in the Australian under-15 merit team last year.

All four players are part of Fomum elite academy that prepare players for higher levels of rugby league.

Fomum Harold Matthew's Cup coach Chris Hutchinson said it was a reward for the players to be selected for NSW.

"The boys definitely deserve their spot. They have worked really hard and were consistent for the entire season and when the big games were there to win they went to the next level." — Chris Hutchinson

RUGBY LEAGUE

Brothers kick off

BIG WIN IN OPENING MATCH

By Peter Theodosiou

DEFENDING GIIO Schoolboys Cup champions Patrician Brothers' College, Blacktown, opened this year's campaign by thumping Tamworth's Farrey Agricultural High School 56-4, last Wednesday.

The team scored 17 tries including two to Dalin Wuteru-Zeleznik and Simon Tanga as well as a double to David Schofield. They will play Fairfield's Westfields Sports High School in round two at Norq Stadum, Cremorne, on June 5.

"We expected a tougher game today, but again, it's on our home turf here in front of our school crowd. Patrician Brothers coach Peter Ross said. The team includes six players from last year's winning team including the injured halfback Robert Jennings, younger brother of Sydney Roosters star Mitchell Jennings. The school secured the cup in September with a 10-8 win over Cartington's Enmore Sports High School. Five members of that team were selected for the Australian Schoolboys side.

Dalin Wuteru-Zeleznik goes over for his second try.
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Macquarie University
Macquarie University are having an Open Day on Saturday 14th September 2013, from 10am-4pm. Go to openday.mq.edu.au for further details. The Macquarie University publication of Connect with Macquarie this month is dedicated to their Participation and Community Engagement Program (PACE). The PACE Program facilitates opportunities for students at the Uni to apply what they are learning within their degree in real-life organisations and work environments. It may be worth perusing this publication if you are considering a course of study at Macquarie University. A copy of the publication is available in the Careers section of the library.

Southern Cross University
The Undergraduate Study Guide for 2014 has arrived at the College. There are also a number of course specific guides which outline course location, duration and an indicative ATAR for courses including Law, Education, Creative and Performing Arts, Indigenous and Business, just to name a few. All of these guides are available in the Careers section of the library.

An invitation has also been extended for students to book a personalised campus tour which gives them the opportunity to talk to campus advisors and current students. Southern Cross has campuses in Coffs Harbour, Gold Coast and Tweed Heads. To book a tour, email campus cam-pustours@scu.edu.au

The Institute of Chartered Accountant Australia
The Institute of Chartered Accountants is hosting a Meet the Business Leader event specifically aimed at students in Years 10 and 11. This is an opportunity for students to meet, network and gather information from a range of employers and explore the profession from people who know it best. When: Tuesday 30th July from 4.30pm Where: The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, Level 1, 33 Erskine Street SYDNEY Cost: Free
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