On the evening of our recent PRC gathering I met a woman I had not seen for over 20 years. She was the mother of a student that I had taught when I was the Assistant Principal at John Paul II Senior High in the early 1990’s.

A remarkable and inspirational woman who had recently suffered the loss of her husband to cancer and despite the tragic circumstances, recounted her pride and love for her son who had sacrificed his career to become the fulltime carer for his ailing father. She spoke to me with dignity, poise and a real sense of acceptance and understanding.

The encounter was certainly a salutary reminder of how precious our time is here with our loved ones, our friends and wider community. What will be said of us when it is our time to join the Lord? How will we have led our lives?

Mr Peter Ross recently shared the following reflection with me:

God won’t ask you how big your house was but he’ll ask how many people you welcomed into it.

God won’t ask you what neighbourhood you lived in but he’ll ask how you treated your neighbours.

God won’t ask you about your social status but he’ll ask what kind of class you displayed.

God won’t ask you how many promotions you received but he’ll ask you how you promoted others.

God won’t ask you what you did to help yourself but he’ll ask what you did to help others.

God won’t ask you how many friends you had but he’ll ask how many people you were friends to.

As Saint Mother Theresa reminds us, when you die, God will not ask what you have done, but how you have done it.

Please take care of each other,
Santo Passarello

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Br Aengus Tribute
Pictured are Cain McGill, Br Aengus Kavanagh, Julian Pecora and Elvin Magallanes
From the Assistant Principal
Last week we enjoyed one of our best College Assemblies in recent memory when we celebrated the 60th anniversary of Br Aengus Kavanagh. Apart from being one of the great leaders of the Patrician Brothers in Australia, Br Aengus has been one of the pioneers in Catholic education in Western Sydney over many decades. The standing ovation offered to him by the entire school community after his address to the school showed the great respect and genuine warmth that the staff and students hold for him. We also acknowledged the successes and achievements of a number of other groups, including our Library Ambassadors, the recent Commerce Trade Show, the mission work of our World Youth Day pilgrims and a number of sporting teams who have either recently won major titles or face finals in their respective competitions this week.

In coming weeks we also look forward to the Year 11 Final Examinations, our annual Sports Presentation Night, the culmination of our Principal’s Writing Challenge and, last but not least, the Year 12 Graduation Mass and Ceremony. These events offer even more opportunities for celebration of the academic, community and sporting achievements of our students in 2013.

In terms of reminders for parents and students this week – I would like to again urge all parents to check their son’s school diary regularly. The student diary is an important channel for communication between parents and teachers and, more often than not, when students find themselves in serious or ongoing trouble, it turns out that the student diary contained tell-tale signs that could have prevented or minimised problems if they had been picked up earlier by either teachers or parents.

We would also remind parents about our uniform requirements with regard to hairstyles. If students arrive at school with extreme hairstyles that do not conform to our expectations, they will be given reasonable notice to fix the problem. If the student chooses to ignore these directions, more serious sanctions will follow. Of course, hairstyles are greatly influenced by fashion, so it is worth noting that current styles where the back and sides of the head are shaved and a mop of hair is left on top, often with a distinct line shaved into the hair, are definitely outside our guidelines. Thankfully, this problem is easily resolved with some clippers and a neat buzz-cut. As always, the support of parents is greatly appreciated in these matters.

Mr Brian Edmonds

Year 8 Update
It has been a busy Term for Year 8. Academically, students have been tested by assessment tasks while considering their subject choices for Year 9 next year. Outside the classroom, boys have represented the College in sporting and cultural endeavours. Year 8 was well represented in Term 3’s MCS sports; Tennis, Touch Football, Golf and Rugby Union; and have recently completed trials for the upcoming MCS Cricket and Basketball seasons. After months of preparation several boys represented the College at the recent Tournament of the Minds.

Year 8 was represented at the recent World Youth Day by Homeroom teacher, Mrs Manuela Lavaselli. During the last Pastoral Care lesson, the boys were treated to a presentation about her pilgrimage to Peru and Brazil. Students were keen to ask Mrs Lavaselli questions and several boys were enthusiastic about attending WYD 2016 in Poland. During Pastoral Care this year the boys have also been learning about respect.

Preparations are well underway for the upcoming Year 8 Social with Nagle College with Physical Education classes being devoted to dance practice. The Social is always one of the highlights of the year and we are sure the boys will do us proud again this year.

We continue to be very proud of Year 8’s achievements and look forward to the rest of 2013.

Mr Adam Scarpin and Mr Dominic Williams, Year 8 Coordinators

Merit Awards
It was unusually quiet in the world of Merits this fortnight. It must be all of the exams and assessment tasks taking up the boys’ focus and time at the moment.

Congratulations to the following award recipients for this fortnight. These awards will be distributed at upcoming Year Assemblies.

Bronze Awards
Samuel Brennan 7C11
Kurtis Butler 7C13 2 Awards
Timothy Hodge 7C11
Jahanzaib Khan 7C15
Hayden Morris 7C12
Jonathan Tabone 7C15
Nicholas Urludag 7C13
Yuvraj Singh 8D16
Jason Fatialofa 9B6
Mitchell Levick 9A24 3 Awards
Kaine Coomeravel 12E8
Saigoon Parikh 12E8

Year 12, time is running out for you to hand in your Merits and receive the next award. Get organised!

Good luck for the next fortnight everyone!

Mrs Marie Lane, Merit Awards Coordinator

Sacrament of Reconciliation
On Tuesday the 6th of August, several students made the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of our school based Sacramental Program, organised by Mr Kim Crawford and Mr Greg Beacroft and assisted by Mr Dominic Williams and Mr Jim Prendergast. The students are Vaotangi Mafi, Patrick Falefou, Benjammin Falefou, Samuel Brennan and Sione Tupou. Ben Daley was also part of the program but made his reconciliation through his parish at St Michael’s Blacktown. Congratulations on a fine achievement boys.

Make your First Communion at School
Our school based Sacramental Program will commence on Tuesday the 3rd of September at 1.10pm in the College Chapel. If you would like your son to be part of the program please contact Mr Greg Beacroft at school on 9671 3000.
Br Aengus Tribute
We were privileged to have the opportunity to acknowledge Br Aengus Kavanagh for his 60 years of service to the Patrician Brothers, the Catholic Church and School Education, during our recent College Assembly. Following the event Br Aengus wrote to us:

Deep appreciation for the honour bestowed on me as a special guest at the College Assembly. I was overwhelmed at the reception I received from students and staff. Another beautiful Jubilee experience! Thanks so much for the preparation. The citation was read excellently by Cain McGill. The school’s rendition of the anthem was inspiring. The plaque you gave me will occupy a place of honour and the briefcase is beautiful. Congratulations on the organisation of the assembly, the involvement of the student leaders and the wide range of student affirmations. A great sense of a proud and friendly College community. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at PBCB. One for the memory banks!

Br Aengus Kavanagh
From the Director of Studies

UWS HSC Study Sessions
23 – 27 September 2013
Year 12 students are encouraged to attend these free lectures run by the University of Sydney for select schools in the region. Registrations are essential and may be completed at www.uws.edu.au/hscstudySessions. Registrations close on Wednesday 18 September. These sessions will be held at the Bankstown and Kingswood campuses and will include units in:

- English: Standard, Advanced, Extension I
- Mathematics: General Mathematics, Mathematics (2 Unit), Extension I
- Business Studies
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Goal Planning and Life After School

Year 12 students have the opportunity to maximise their HSC results by attending these lectures.

Contacting UAC
Year 12 students often need to contact UAC so here are the ways that you can do so. This information should be posted on the home fridge!
Postal address: UAC
Locked Bag 112
Silverwater NSW 2128
In person:
Quad 2, 8 Parkview Drive
Sydney Olympic Park NSW
Office Hour: 8.30am – 4.30pm Monday – Friday
Telephone: 02 9752 0200
Website: www.uac.edu.au

Educational Access Scheme for students who have experienced disadvantages during their time at school. Forms can be obtained from Mrs Paton. The categories of disadvantage are:

- Disrupted schooling
- Financial hardship
- Home environment
- English language difficulty
- Personal illness/disability
- Refugee status
- School environment

To apply for EAS, complete the 2014 EAS application form. Apply for each disadvantage for which you meet eligibility criteria. You apply through UAC using the application form found in the EAS booklet which can be obtained from Mrs Paton.

The Principal’s Writing Challenge
The Staff has completed the judging of the Principal’s Writing Challenge and winning entries have been identified. The presentation of prizes will occur on Monday 16 September during a formal assembly in the hall, commencing at 9:45am. The Staff are very impressed with the scripts. It is always a privilege to read the work of a young writer and have a glimpse at how they perceive the world.

Year 11 Examinations are now well under way. The students seem relaxed and well prepared. It is important that they remain calm and focused for the duration of the examinations. Parents could assist with ensuring that there are minimal disruptions to the home environment during this time. Routine is crucial for students. This teaches them how to organise their time more efficiently too. If a student feels that he is well prepared then this minimises the stress he feels.

Year 12 students now have the time to revise and consolidate the work of the HSC. The boys have received the feedback from their Trial HSC examinations and they can now take stock of what they need to do and what skills they still need to master. This is the time when students have a chance to internalise their learning. Previously they were still juggling new content, exam preparation and assessment tasks. All this is now completed and the first thing that students should do is to put their notes in order and focus on getting help where they have identified the need. Ex-student tutors are a wonderful resource they can access in the library on Wednesday afternoons during Homework Centre and on Thursday afternoons. Teachers will also be more than willing to give feedback and to work with students on an individual basis. Sometimes, poor performance is a result of poor attendance, so make sure that your sons attend school every day until their graduation. After graduation, teachers will still be running tutorials for the students, during normal school time and during the holidays. If your son wants to sell his textbook to a Year 11 student, please make sure that he does not do so until after his examination in that subject.
Invariably a student is keen to help someone out and does not actually realise the implications of his actions. Graduation for Year 12 is fast approaching and it is good to give your son’s uniform a critical inspection.

Equity Scholarships (ES)
Equity Scholarships assist financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education. You can apply for an Equity Scholarship if you’re a currently enrolled student, or expect to receive an offer of admission in 2014 to one or more of the participating institutions. Equity Scholarships through UAC comprise:

- Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) for Indigenous students; established and funded by the Australian Government.
- Institution Equity Scholarships (IES) funded by individual universities. Some IES are funded by donations or sponsorship.

By submitting just one application through UAC you’ll be considered for all available Equity Scholarships for which you’re eligible at the participating institutions. If you want your Equity Scholarship to be considered in the Main Round of Scholarship offers you must submit your ES application and make sure all supporting documentation is received by UAC by Friday 3 January 2014.

Equity Scholarships Outcomes
Equity Scholarships online outcomes for offers made in the Main Round will be available from UAC’s website from Friday 17 January 2014. Download the 2014 Equity Scholarships booklet for information about the types of scholarships available at each institution and the eligibility criteria, before you apply. This can be found on the UAC website.

Mrs Danuta Paton
From Around the School
In this week’s *The Focus* we feature a special pictorial that captures the life of a typical day at Patrician Brothers’ College. All of these images were taken on a single day! As you can see our boys are kept extremely busy!
Learning Support

Mrs Taren Charter, Learning Support Assistant

Science Update

Science students at Patrician Brothers have been working hard in Term 3, applying their scientific knowledge to the pursuit of creative solutions to real world problems. The following tasks and due dates are pending:

**Year 7 Science: Egg Drop**

Students have been posed the problem to design, test and analyse a landing device for the safe arrival of an on-board egg passenger onto a planet with the gravitational pull equivalent to Earth. Egg drop carriers cannot use a parachute and students must apply their understanding of forces and impacts to save their egg from a scramble impact. The egg drop will undergo class testing in Week 8 (already due!).

**Year 8 Science: How does your marble roll?**

Students are currently designing a first hand investigation to determine whether marble size has any impact on the speed it rolls down a ramp. Students have been examining laws of motion and researching their expected results and concepts of motion. A key component of this task is their logbook, which acts like a process diary. Students should be able to demonstrate their thinking as they develop their investigation from its simple origins to its complex finale. This task, including logbook and experimental report, is due in Mrs Paton’s assessment box by 9am on Wednesday 18th September (Week 10).

**Year 10 Science: Free Choice Home investigation**

Students are currently designing a first hand investigation to answer an unspecified question. This process often starts slowly as students begin to question the world they live in. These projects are also documented in a logbook before a final experimental report is completed and in many cases proposed investigations have undergone many transformations. The range of investigations is fascinating and includes the relationships between the concentration of sugar solutions and keeping cut flowers fresh, to the energy released in peanuts, to the reaction times of males and females. This task, including logbook and experimental report, is also due in Mrs Paton’s assessment box by 9am on Wednesday 18th September (Week 10).

Finally, a reminder to senior students, that exam preparation should be well and truly underway. Year 12 start their HSC examinations on October 14th and must work very hard until this point. Many subjects will be running holiday tutorials, but students should be creating syllabus summaries and completing past papers for practice of exam techniques. Year 11 students have their preliminary HSC final exams in Week 8 and 9. They should be utilising the same revision techniques. They must be at school 20 minutes before the exam starting time and have the correct equipment. Good luck to all students at this busy time.

**Mr Chris Ferry, Science Coordinator**

TAS Update

Year 8 Design & Technology students are currently researching an emerging technology as part of their Case Study assessment task. The technology of printing objects in three dimensions is a technology that is growing rapidly in popularity amongst young students. 3D printing is an available technology that allows industries to rapidly develop prototypes, hard-to-find parts and unique designs. The printed products are real, useable and often can involve printing moving parts.

The boys are investigating and researching the various uses, applications and effects 3D printing has had and is having on society and the environment. Keep a look out for your son working on his assignment over the coming week and see if he can recount any of the facts or videos seen in class.

The Year 12 Design & Technology students have finally completed their final submissions for their HSC Major Projects. Two markers visited the school on Tuesday and marked the final prototypes and design folios. The Major Projects consist of innovations that the students have designed and thought of themselves. Some innovations this year include an iPhone sports vest, a cooking aid for arthritis sufferers and a mobility shopping aid.

Congratulations to all our HSC students. We wish you all the best of luck with your HSC projects.

**Mr Michael Benitez, TAS Coordinator**

**Tournament of the Minds 2013**

On Sunday August 25, our two Tournament of Minds Social Sciences Teams finally participated in the National Tournament of Minds competition at UWS, Kingswood. The boys were proudly supported on the day by a number of parents, Team Facilitators Selina Wong, Linda Cassell and Sharon O’Keefe, and Patrician Brothers’ teachers Kim Crawford and Danny De Alwis.

The boys were both nervous and excited but looked forward to performing for the judges and showing off the solutions they had practised together for the past six weeks. Much time and energy had also gone into their presentation skills and the making of props which was part of the competition requirements.

The teams worked well together but unfortunately we didn’t place this year. The upside is that the boys learned some new skills and developed good friendships with students in other year groups.

Congratulations to all the boys involved for having a go and proudly representing Patrician Brothers’ College, Blacktown.

**Mrs Sharon O’Keefe, Team Facilitator**
In our Italian classes this term, we have been focusing on the topic of “il cibo” which is Italian for “the food”. On Monday the 26th of August our Year 9 Italian class had a typical Italian morning tea. We had a variety of cold meats such as salame and mortadella and cheese, biscuits, cannoli, pastries, juice, lemonade and sparkly water. Before we were allowed to eat, we had to identify all the different types of food in Italian. Ciao Delahoya Manu

On Monday we were able to try an arrangement of different delicacies and drinks which helped us understand the Italian cuisine much better than before. Grazie. Beshoi Butros

Mrs Lavaselli brought to class Italian food such as sweets, cheese and cold meat. All the class enjoyed it. Ethan Iken

On Monday, the learning experience we had was quite insightful and was a practical way to revise the terms we had been learning as well as adding some more terms. Overall a great experience Jason Pinto

We had a very enjoyable Italian lesson as we learnt a lot about Italian cuisine Anthony Santoro

Italian cuisine provides a wide variety of delicious and amazing foods including cold meat and desserts. Hrishikesh Kulkarni

Buon appetito! Our Italian class had the opportunity to taste different Italian foods to follow up on our topic on food. There were many foods ranging from salame al pistacchio to cannoli. Special thanks to Mrs Lavaselli for the wonderful lesson Braedan Rodricks

As you have read, the Year 9 Italian students had a great time last Monday tasting wonderful Italian food. Mr Passarello, Mr Crawford and Mr Mulligan joined us and they could all see how well the students remembered the vocabulary that we had done. Buon appetite indeed! Mrs Manuela Lavaselli, LOTE Convenor
Year 8 Blacktown Library Visits

Over the past two weeks, students from Year 8 were given the opportunity to visit Blacktown Library. These visits were conducted during their regular time to visit our College Library for English. The tour included some insight into the resources available to their members and the many other services the library provides. Students have now been encouraged to become members of Blacktown Library by completing an application form. By returning it to our College Library, signed by a parent or guardian, Blacktown Library will process applications without the need for students under the age of 18 to have a parent present.

In the next Focus we will feature some of the fantastic services that Blacktown Library offers our Community, including online and in house tutoring and access to technology and group study rooms. We see this as an excellent additional resource for our students and for many, it is on their way home.

Below is some feedback about the visits:

Going to Blacktown library was a fun experience. When I took my first steps into the facility I was amazed at how big it was. We met our tour guide; she was extremely nice and informed my class and I about the library with manners and politeness. She also had a sense of humour. The library had shelves and shelves of books ranging up to children books, anime and manga, language books and it just keeps going. On top of that, not only do they have books but they have music, movies and TV series that can be borrowed for weeks. There are silent study rooms that can be really useful if you need to complete group activities with a friend or study. Then there are the staff, they are the life of the library. If you are a member of Blacktown library you are able to use their provided computers for studying or online tutoring. This is why I had a great time at Blacktown library.

Jonah Mercado

For most of the boys, public libraries were a foreign concept, so they eagerly awaited the opportunity to see what was inside. Upon arrival we were greeted by enthusiastic staff and were taken on a fast track, yet comprehensive tour. The boys marvelled at all the wonderful resources and space available to them, so close to their own school grounds. It was pleasing to see so many appreciative and well-mannered boys in Year 8, taking the opportunity to broaden their education.

Ms Melanie Gearing, English Teacher

Library Update: Book Week

Congratulations to our Book Week Winners and to the many students who involved themselves in the activities during the week.

Book Week Quiz Winners:

- Stephen Izquierdo Year 7, Audiosonic Headphones
- Ethan Cruz Year 7, a $20 itunes card (both pictured)
- and Karlynn Waihi Year 8, a $10 canteen voucher.

Book of the Year Raffle

Wade Berry Year 11, a copy of the Book of the Year, “Sea Hearts” by Margo Lanagan

Book Bites Book review

Shivpreet Singh Year 7

HSC Revision and Study Workshops

Workshops and Review classes are being run at Parramatta Library for Modern History, Legal Studies and Business Studies on the 1-2 October. Bookings are essential. For more information please see the Library Notice Board

Do you love to Read?

Do you want to improve your literacy?

Join with other like-minded people at http://love2read.org.au/

Love2read is a collaborative project joining public libraries, government, community groups, media and commercial partners, and of course, the public. As well as running The Reading Hour each August, they bring together and showcase the wonderful projects and organisations across Australia which already exist to promote reading and literacy.

http://www.thereadinghour.org.au/

The Reading Hour is for everyone and there will be events and activities for all age groups.

The Reading Hour is nominally 5pm to 6pm on 24 August, but events will be happening all day, to avoid or coincide with important sporting fixtures and venue opening hours, and to accommodate the different time zones.

Visit your local library and bookstore to find out what events and activities are taking place.

Charles Sturt University Creative Writing Competition

Charles Sturt University (CSU) is calling on Year 10, 11 and 12 students to produce a piece of creative writing and have the chance to win one of four $250 cash prizes.

How to Enter:

Write a fictional, creative and engaging story, poem or script of no more than 1,000 words exploring one or more of the following themes:

- family values
- cultural experiences
- social challenges

For more information about the Creative Writing Competition, or about studying at Charles Sturt University, please contact us

Phone: 1800 334 733 www.csu.edu.au/cwc

Student net is back!

After the upgrade to OSCAR there were a few problems with students accessing s-net (student portal). This has now been corrected and both students and staff can access https://snet.parra.catholic.edu.au from inside and outside the CDOP (Catholic Diocese of Parramatta). Sign in with your username and password as you do at school.

This URL will allow students and staff access to e-resources page from home and school - it’s a great resource to use. If you have problems accessing ‘weblinks’ from home use the following username and password.

Username: parramatta
password: education

Mrs Sue Dracoulas, Teacher Librarian
Vinnies Van Training

Over the past two weeks 70 Year 11 boys have completed a two hour training session conducted by the Merryland’s Vinnies Van coordinator, Megan. The important aims of this special project of the St Vincent de Paul Society are:

- To visit the homeless people of the Greater West, to provide friendship, compassion and dignity.
- To provide an opportunity for young people to actively assist in helping the homeless through involvement with the St. Vincent de Paul Society.
- To offer our services in a non-denominational manner, preferring to promote our Christianity through actions rather than words.

It was overwhelming that so many boys wanted to be involved in this service which provides food, drinks and a listening ear to the homeless in the Penrith and Parramatta areas. Now we will endeavor to give each of them the chance to spend a night on the van. The first four newly trained boys went out on the Vinnies Van last Wednesday.

Ms Denise Grzelj

First Night on the Vinnies Van
The Vinnies Van was a great experience for Edward Manibo, Omar Dewan, Zachary Abu Bakar and myself. On Wednesday night we had the opportunity to serve those less fortunate in our community. The Vinnies Van experience has broken the homeless stereotype and shown me that they are very different from the way they are portrayed in the media. The people we served were really friendly making us feel welcome. We chatted with them as we served the sandwiches we had made and hot drinks. They were thankful and it was really rewarding to see the smiles on their faces. The Vinnies Van has shown me to accept people for who they are and not to be judgemental. I would highly recommend the Vinnies Van to others and if given the opportunity would gladly spend time helping those who are in need. Thanks to Mr Kenyon, Miss Pham and Mr Prendergast who helped us on our first night on the Vinnies Van.

Mandrid Fernandez, Year 11
Congratulations to the 25 students who took the stage for the Grand Final of the Bring It On Dance Competition on Saturday 17th August at the State Sports Centre. Despite not receiving a placing on the night, you are all winners. Your commitment to the team was exemplary and your determination and team spirit was outstanding. Your sense of fun was infectious. Stand tall and proud Patties boys of the Bring It On Team, 2013.

The 2013 Grand Final team members were:
Year 7: Christian Williams, Aaron Cairns, Fakailoa Ahovelo, Connor Tunks
Year 8: Ruel de Guia, Karlyn Waihi, Anthony Sara, Corey Steele, Mikaele Peaua
Year 9: Paul Blake, Peter Pakoti
Year 10: Patrick Ross, Liam Musni, Dean Woolley
Year 11: Vonn de la Torre, Cyrus Dadat, Christian Crichton, Raven Nijjar, Jade Waihi
Year 12: Stone Tonga, Maeva Feilo, Tarik Viswasam, Lafaele Halangahu, Mandela Vito, Sameh Qablawi

What is Bring It On about? (in the words of the students)
- It’s about commitment, dedication, perseverance and brotherhood.
- The aim is to do your best and work as a team. Getting a place is a bonus.
- Mateship and camaraderie.
- Being part of a Patties team and showing the other schools the Patties spirit.
- No age or year group barriers – we’re all equal. I like that!

Mrs Karen Davidson, Mrs Melanie D’Cruz and Mr Matthew Hartigan, Bring It On teachers.
CCC Cup – Semi Final – 28 August 2013
Patrician Brothers’ College, Blacktown vs Marcellin College, Randwick
The semi-final of the CCC Cup was played at Heffron Park, Maroubra in what was to be good preparation for our semi-final game in the GIO Cup the next Wednesday but some things don’t always go as planned.
The omens for the game were not good as we committed an error from the kick off and things from that point went from bad to worse. After only two minutes we lost key forward, Josh Aloiai, with a serious knee injury.
While our defence remained strong and committed, our attack lacked thrust with too much catching and passing without anyone wanting to run forward.
The team overall lacked urgency and enthusiasm and seemed to have their minds on next Wednesday’s semi-final rather than the game they were playing.
At half time the score was locked at 12 all and with a strong wind at our back for the second half it was expected that we would run out comfortable winners. However this was not the case.
Our opponents defended as though their lives depended on it and we were unable to penetrate a committed defence. With five minutes remaining, we were able to score and convert and come away with a very lucky victory.
A lot of work needs to be done over the next week if we are going to defend the GIO Trophy. This game was a big wake-up call and we need to learn that things won’t happen unless we make them happen.
Result:
Patrician Brothers’ College Blacktown 18
defeated Marcellin College, Randwick 12
Tries – Dylan Fuad, Brent Naden, Sione Utia-Katoa
Goals – Christian Crichton x 3

Man on the Hill

MCS Softball

Recently, Jack Furey and Dominic Charter of Year 12 and Samuel Barnett of Year 9 were selected to compete in the MCS Softball tournament at Blacktown Olympic Park. Dominic was selected, for the second consecutive year, to compete in the NSWCCC Softball tournament. Congratulations boys.

Mr Heath Borg, MCS Coordinator

OLMC Dance

On Friday 16 August, boys from Years 10, 11 and 12 went to Our Lady of Mercy College, Parramatta for a school dance. The theme was “hippy” and the boys had no idea what they were going to wear. However when we all arrived everyone was looking the part.
The girls from OLMC were very friendly and welcoming and while some of the boys were nervous at first, by the time the music started to kick off the nerves started to fade away.
It was a really enjoyable evening.

Tim Puckeridge, Year 11 Student
**PBB School Sport Ribbon Recipients**

**Indoor Rock Climbing**
- Week 6:
  - Joshua Yondjo
  - Florentino Escasinas
  - Calum Connaughton
  - Joshua Erenavula
  - Luke Vella
- Week 7:
  - Gergis Abdalla
  - Christopher Jbarat
  - Patrick Lee
  - Ben Moussa
  - Ben Daly

**Tae Kwon Do**
- Adrian Green
- Daniel Mangabat

**Basketball**
- Year 7:
  - Tyler Tuigamala
  - Karl Bradley Garcia
  - Breyton Smith
  - Tiakiwai Rangi
  - Connor Tunks
- Year 8:
  - Lachlan Beggs
  - Aku Makki
  - Tyrell Carroll
  - Jacson Ngige
  - Karlyn Waihi
- Year 9/10:
  - Vincennes Fialelei Ausage (MJ)
  - Mataele Soni
  - Mats Kumpulainen
  - Joe Vaegaau
  - William-Lee Pasitoa
  - Meni Luke
  - Raahil Nandan (Raj)
  - Josef Flores

**School Soccer**
- Tom Blyberg
- Matthew Graham
- Pius Baraji
- Jacob Vickers
- Mitchell Surace
- Samuel Karwhin
- Daniel Cilia
- Nima Bahramrad
- Rahul Ram
- Harismram Dhaliwal
- Gurkirat Singh

**Table Tennis**
- Week 6:
  - Brandon Toa
  - Kain Nevell
  - Terrell May
  - Carl Wagenknecht
  - Mark Fang
- Week 7:
  - Mark Tere Kaivananga
  - Brandon Toa
  - Donald Fan-Ward
  - Amornwat Kasemmongkol

**Miguel Ramirez**

**Squash**
- 1st Grade:
  - Jayden Leishman
  - Shiraz Hussein
  - Rahiri Smith
  - Noah Chen
- 2nd Grade:
  - Mitchell Dodds
  - Luke Buffield

**Patrician Brothers’ College School Sport Soccer Competition**

**Round 11:**
- Barcelona defeated All Stars: 3-2
- Team India defeated Patties United: 3-0
- Classic 8 defeated Galaxy United: 3-0

**Round 12:**
- All Stars defeated Patties United: 6-0
- Barcelona drew Classic 8: 2-2
- Team India drew Galaxy United: 1-1

**Round 13:**
- All Stars defeated Classic 8: 1-0
- Team India drew Barcelona: 0-0
- Galaxy United defeated Patties United: 3-0

**Round 14:**
- Team India defeated All Stars: 3-0
- Barcelona drew Classic 8: 5-5
- Patties United defeated Galaxy United: 10-8

**Round 15:**
- Classic 8 V Galaxy United
- All Stars V Barcelona
- Team India V Patties United

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Newspaper Articles

Boys show skills with a Sherrin

SCHOOL RECORDS BEST RESULT

Chris Georgakisopoulos

PATRICIAN Brothers Blacktown have shown they can compete in a lot more than rugby league after finishing runners-up in the AFL High School State Cup. The team entered an under-16 team into the competition with their successful run ending in a grand final loss to Kildare Catholic College at Blacktown International Sports Park last week. Sports co-ordinator Heath Bong confirmed it was the school’s best result in an AFL competition.

“We started a team about four or five years ago and we were outstanding last year,” he said.

“It is certainly the best result we have had in a state cup.”

“This year we have had touch football and other sporting codes at state cup level so we are not only about rugby league.”

The team also earned the opportunity to compete in the Australian title with a date and venue yet to be announced.

“Competing at the Australian title will be a new test for the boys,” Bong said.

“We’ve got a pretty good side and have been lucky enough to get some assistance from GWS and the AFL in sourcing programs.”

“The GWS have also assisted us in selecting teams and looking for certain things in players.

“We’re lucky enough to have a few young GWS players at the college as well into pass on their experiences.

“The school is very proud of the team.”

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Congratulations to the Massey Marlins who have done just as well in and out of the water this year!

Mr Kim Crawford
Congratulations to the following Patties boys who were recently named by their respective NRL Clubs in the following categories

**Penrith**

**SG Ball Player of the Year**
Tyrone May

**Harold Matthews Player of the Year**
Reed Izzard

**SG Ball Junior League Encouragement Award**
Peter Tiatia

**Western Sydney Academy**

**SG Ball Best & Fairest**
Cowan Epere

**Harold Matthews Coaches Award**
Jake Gillett

**Parramatta**

**SG Ball Player of the Year**
Sione Tonga

**Harold Matthews Forward of the Year**
Joseph Tramontana
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Friday 13 September
7.30pm
St Patrick’s Cathedral
The ordination will be followed by his first Mass as a priest:
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