TERM 2 CONCLUDES FOR STUDENTS ON THURSDAY 19 JUNE
STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR THE START OF TERM 3 ON TUESDAY 15 JULY

We acknowledge the Cammeraygal and the Guringai people, their spirits and ancestors, traditional inhabitants of the land on which we stand.

From the Principal

TRINITY SUNDAY

One of the most powerful prayers of the Church is the simplest. We make the sign of the Cross on our body. We say aloud and in our hearts:

*In the Name of the Father*  
*And of the Son*  
*And of the Holy Spirit*  
*Amen*

This prayer is our physical and spiritual commitment to the mystery of the Trinity.

HONEST IAGO

Last week Drama ‘arrived’ at St Pius X College with the brilliant production of Honest Iago. Congratulations to Mr Combes our new Drama teacher and to the cast and crew. The students were amazing and I congratulate them all. The lead actors - Ben John, Dante Bernard, Brodie Jones, Francis Phillips, Isaac Capra, Calum Fitzsimons, Liam Zucconi and Marcus Di Salvatore - were extraordinary and the talents of Ms Sumner and Mrs Rawle combined to produce many memorable performances. Please see *Woodchatta Extras* for further photos.

HOLIDAY TOURS

The College thanks the many staff who give of their time for the students during holidays. This break we have four major activities – Kokoda Trail Expedition, French tour to New Caledonia, Rugby Tour of Queensland and Football Tour of Queensland. We wish all our staff and students a rewarding, safe and enriching experience.

OUR BRILLIANT DEBATERS

Congratulations and best wishes to our 11A and 10A debating teams who have made it through to the Quarterfinals this Friday evening at Marist North Sydney, and thank you to the debating coaches - Mrs Waterson Mrs Easton, Ms Sumner, Mr Hodges, Mr Webster, Tim Manners and Stuart Maclaine.

EDMUND RICE FOUNDATION APPEAL

I would like to sincerely thank all our donors who have contributed to the Edmund Rice Foundation Appeal. The Appeal is still open and $5,550 has been raised from the community so far. This will make a big difference to the communities we support who are in such need. Thankyou once again.
MY AFRICAN JOURNAL – EDMUND RICE EDUCATION BEYOND BORDERS
I thought I would share with you my journal from the experience with Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders and it is included in Woodchatta Extras if you would like to read through it. It has also been published with EREA and is on their website (but this edition has the photos)

GIFTED & TALENTED
Congratulations to our Years 5 and 6 Students who have achieved outstanding results in the recent Da Vinci Decathlon. Year 5 placed 3rd in Code Breaking and 1st in General Knowledge disciplines, an amazing result.

THE VOICE KIDS - CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK TO CHRIS LANZON YEAR 8
The TV series 'The Voice Kids' is a first for Australia, a spin-off from the hugely-successful ‘The Voice’, and aims to showcase the singing talent of Australia's 8 -14 year olds. Eight thousand children from all over Australia auditioned for the program and just over one hundred were chosen to attend the Blind Auditions, one of whom was our Year 8 student Chris Lanzon. Some of you may have recognised him in the show's promotional ads. To see whether or not he is picked by any of the coaches to progress further in the show, don't forget to tune in on Sunday 22nd June at 6.30PM on Channel Nine.

From The Assistant Principal - Teaching And Learning
SEMESTER 1 REPORTS FOR YEARS 5 TO 10
Dear Parents,
After a very busy semester of teaching and learning, academic reports for Semester 1 for Years 5 to 10 will be posted on Friday afternoon.

Mr A Damo

From the Assistant Principal - Mission and Identity
At our last College Monday Assembly for the term Will Turner, Harry Hargreaves, David Butler, Daniel Fileman, Alec Paterson, Jude Boyle and Tarun Orloff-Kay from Ms Iwatani’s 6 Blue class, led our College in Prayer, reflecting upon the recent 25th Anniversary of the events of Tiananmen Square. We remembered all those who suffer injustices in our world today. Our young men’s final reflection came from Pope Francis I who posted on his twitter account on the 5th June:

“Like the Good Samaritan, may we not be ashamed of touching the wounds of those who suffer but try to heal them with concrete acts of love.”

These are most fitting words as we enter Refugee Week. This Friday 20th June is the United Nations Refugee Day and over this week we are asked to remember the plight of these people as they struggle to re-establish themselves in foreign countries. The difficulties that confront refugees all around the world certainly make us appreciate how fortunate we are in our land.

May we keep them in our prayers:

A PRAYER FOR REFUGEES
Almighty and merciful God, whose Son became a refugee and had no place to call his own;
look with mercy on those who today are fleeing from danger, homeless and hungry.
Bless those who work to bring them relief; inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts;
and guide the nations of the world towards that day when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and of peace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our last visit for the Term to Willowood Nursing Home provided a mini concert, starring Dominic Fong leading the vocals and Joshua Fox on guitar. They were mightily supported by Dylan Chrimes, Liam Carroll, Tyran Collins and Daniel Filipe, all from Year 11, and accompanied by Mr Whelan and Miss Whelan. Our young men showed great nobility and genuine kindness by sitting with the residents, holding the hands of the darling old ladies and singing along with them. It is very special to see our young men relate so well with the residents of Willowood. We look forward to our next visits in Term 3.

Mr M Casey
From the Finance Office

NEW LOOK FEE STATEMENTS
When paying school fees the majority of families now use Internet Banking software, BPoint (through the College Website) or BPAY. These are secure electronic options which we encourage. To support this trend and reduce fee statements to one page several changes have been made to the presentation, mainly the removal of the remittance slip. We will continue to make adjustments and are planning to start emailing statements in Term 4.

If you have recently changed your email address it would be of great assistance if you could go to the Enrolment Information header on the College website and select Update Family Contact Details. Thankyou for your help with this.

Mr A Ballesty – Business Manager

Your P&F In Action!

The next P&F COMMITTEE MEETING takes place on Monday 11 August. If you have any items you’d like discussed, or an idea you’d like to run past other College parents in the Committee, please send me a message at spxpanfdsecretary@gmail.com or to the P&F President Paul Hunt at jrphunt@gmail.com

YEAR 5 PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Lock away Saturday night 2 August! The Willoughby Hotel is hosting you in their own special area upstairs. There is finger food and a drink included in the entry price and some lively company and fun conversation will be delivered to you completely free! You can book your place right now at TryBooking here. The flyer can be found here.

Steve Johnson
SPX P&F Secretary / Communications

Performing Arts News

HONEST IAGO
It can safely be said that Drama has well and truly returned to St Pius! Congratulations to the cast and crew on their amazing sell out success of last week. The College is very fortunate to have a playwright of Mr Combes’ calibre and standing as one of our staff. The direction and leadership which he brought to this production ensured that the actors were totally immersed in their characters and the crew fully versed in all technical requirements. A special thank you to the incredibly beautiful and talented Ms Sarah Sumner and the confident comedienne Ms Natalie Rawle, for their contribution to the play’s success. The Drama bar has been set incredibly high and we look towards the future with great anticipation and expectation. Photos from Honest Iago can be viewed in Woodchatta Extras.

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL
Best wishes to Dante Bernard (Year 11), our very own Mark White from Honest Iago, as he takes on his next role as Ryan in High School Musical. We wish all cast and staff at Marist College Woolwich the very best for their opening tonight.

COLLEGE ORCHESTRA
A reminder to all students in this ensemble that there will be a rehearsal AFTER school tomorrow, Thursday 19 June, 3.15 – 4.30pm in the Band Room.

MEET THE MUSIC
Parents of boys in Elective Music Years 9 and 10, Preliminary Course and HSC Music are reminded that the second concert for the year is on Thursday 17 July (Week 1 Term 3) at the Opera House, 6.30pm. As per the excursion note which was sent home earlier in the year, boys are to make their own way to and from the Opera House. Attire should be neat/casual- shirts with collars, jeans without rips and covered shoes. Students are to be in their seats in the Concert Hall no later than 6.15pm. The concert concludes at approximately 8.30pm. There are extra tickets available for this concert. Please contact the Performing Arts Coordinator, Ms Tracey Bates (tbates@stpiusx.nsw.edu.au) if you are interested.

AMEB EXAMINATION RESULTS
Congratulations to Luke Hoggard (Year 6) for receiving a Credit in his recent First Grade Piano for Leisure Examination. Well done!

VOCAL STUDENTS’ STUDIO CONCERT
Congratulations to the College’s vocal tutor Mr Chris Richardson and his students, who entertained family and friends on Monday afternoon. The repertoire was wide ranging, with performances of contemporary and classical works. We look forward with anticipation to hearing the next performances from these students, during Music Festival in Term 4.

HOLIDAY PRACTICE
All students are reminded to take their instrument home and continue practicing during this three week holiday.

Ms T Bates – Performing Arts Co-ordinator
ADVANCED NOTICE FOR YEARS 7 AND 8 PARENTS

STUDY SKILLS EVENING AT THE COLLEGE FOR PARENTS AND THEIR SONS IN YEARS 7 AND 8
Monday 4 August 2014

A MUST for Parents and their Sons!!

St Pius X College seeks to promote positive mental health and wellbeing for its students and their families. This study skills evening, ‘Working Together for Success’ is an invaluable opportunity to enhance and engage students in improving their self-confidence and self-esteem through improved study techniques/advice, resulting in more confident, resilient students. Further details will be available shortly.

Please see Woodchatta Extras for courses/workshops on Parenting Education for Mums, Dads and Carers in Term 3.

Mr R Russo – College Counsellor

SPX Kokoda Expedition 2014

Last Friday we were fortunate to have Mr Andrew Viney, Immersion Coordinator at St Pat’s Strathfield visit to present a Pidgin (Pisin) English lesson to our Trek participants. Mr Viney suggested “Mi no laikim bus mi laikim salwara” would be good for a laugh on the track.

At the lesson Mr Viney also presented a tie from St Mary’s Vunkunau, Rabaul, to recognise Mr Grahame Smollett, who as Principal of St Pat’s in 2007, donated $81,000 to begin building an educational facility there.

We thank those who are supporting our trek including the Old Boys Association, the P & F, Mrs Jan Hunter (SPX Board), Mrs Di Munich (Office Max), Br Kevin Ryan, Br John Henry Thornber, Br Charlie Smith, EREA Callan Services, Mr Bill James, Mr Bede Tongs MM, Mr Bruce Long, ISA Sports Association, Mr Michael Lulu, and Fr Kevin Dance CP.

We depart early Friday morning beginning our trek immediately to spend 7 days tracing the footsteps of the Maroubra Force troops who faced a formidable enemy, an uncertain future and horrific conditions in 1942. From Kokoda we travel to Gona Beachhead where tragically poor leadership lead to too many more casualties and where Lt Colonel Ralph Honner (39th Bn) famously signalled Gona’s gone. Returning to Pt Morseby over the Owen Stanley Ranges we will pay our respects at Boomana War Cemetery and celebrate mass with Fr Kevin Dance CP. On our final day of the Expedition we will visit EREA (Christian Brothers) Callan Services Educational Resource Centre at Gerehu.

With some trepidation we look forward to a profoundly challenging but educationally formative experience on many levels. Our expedition emblem, pictured right, was designed by Art Coordinator Mr Anderson, and features the names of Anthony Gillespie and Jacob De Sisto: two ex-students tragically KIA during WW2. We also remember men such as Mr David Curtin Snr and Mr Bede Tongs who served so selflessly in PNG.

We only hope that we can demonstrate similar values of courage, endurance, mateship and sacrifice in remembering their legacy and deeds as we climb the Owen Stanley and Maguli Ranges over The Kokoda Track.

Mr Sean Brannan - SPX Kokoda Track Expedition Leader

Matthew Talbot Hostel Volunteering

SPX College has been given a golden opportunity to volunteer at Matthew Talbot Hostel of a Wednesday afternoon. The 100 bed hostel provides short term accommodation, meals and pastoral care to the marginalised in the Kings Cross/Woolloomooloo area. Students in Years 10-12 are able to volunteer on a Wednesday afternoon from 4-6pm in the Dining Room. Parents are also more than welcome. Transport and staff supervision is provided. Please email or see Ms De Souza for further information or to volunteer.

Ms T De Souza - TDeSouza@stpiusx.nsw.edu.au

Careers


Ms D Janes – Careers Advisor
Debating

On Monday, 16th June the following teams were presented to the school at assembly. They were acknowledged as exceptional debaters and outstanding young men who have displayed leadership in the CSDA debating competition as well as mentoring and guiding the Pius debating community through 2014: the **11A team** of Matthew Harris, Hans Lee and Jakob McDermott, the **11B team** of Lyndon Maher, Adam Meltzer and Harry Vinter and the **10A team** of Ryan Attard, Josiah Lising, Keenan Smith & Nicholas Parker.

On Friday night our **11B team** (Lyndon Maher, Harry Vinter, Adam Meltzer) debated Our Lady of Sacred Heart at Waverley College and won!!! :). Our **11A team**, who have debated as Year 12 all year, experienced a close loss to the Year 12 students from Cathedral College. My prayer for all of our debates is not that our teams win, but that they receive a fair and just adjudication. I am thrilled that Matthew Harris, Hans Lee and Jakob McDermott understood how close this debate was, and are aware of why and how they lost. They were presented as victorious on Monday at assembly as the 11B team winners. Thanks also to Robbie Morgan and Niall Darby (Year 11), Keenan Smith (Year 10) and Tom Magill (Year 10) who were not debating but who attended the night in support of their classmates.

This means that the Year 11A team will compete, along with the 10A team in the **Quarterfinals this Friday night, 20th June**, at Marist College, North Sydney - Year 11 against St Leo’s Wahroonga and Year 10 against Lewisham College.

All Year 10 and Year 11 debaters will be attending training this Friday and we will travel together on the train to North Sydney for a 6.30pm coin toss and a 7.30pm debate commencement time. Our Debate Captain for 2014, James Gibson, will also accompany the debaters to Marist College.

We need to congratulate these teams for the exceptional skill and personal determination they have shown in their training sessions, in their coaching of junior teams, and in their Friday night competitions. It is also vital to acknowledge the Years 9, 10 and Year 11 students who have displayed exceptional flexibility this year by debating against teams a year or, in the case of the Year 9 students, two years older than they.

It is important to acknowledge within this exceptional group the skill of our Year 10 debaters who have debated against Year 11 students this year. Led by Tim Abbott: Nektary Kotlaroff, Keenan Smith, Nicholas Parker & Thomas Magill have all debated up as the Year 11B’s. Also Year 9 students Daniel Butler, Ben Rubic, Andrew Jackson and Angus Dingley have debated against Year 11’s this year and have won some of these games. All of the above students have displayed exceptional commitment to the 2014 CSDA Debating competition and we need to acknowledge all of these inspired men of purpose as capable, courageous, generous young men.

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**Topic Areas for the Quarterfinals to the Finals**
- Quarterfinals, June 20: Technology
- Semi-finals, July 18: Environment issues
- Finals, July 25: The future

Exceptional debaters who have moved through to the Elimination Round and through to the Quarterfinals of the CSDA 2014 Competition.

**From the Senior Resource Centre**

**STAY WARM WITH A GOOD BOOK!** Are you wondering what to do this winter break? Nothing beats the joy of snuggling-up with a good book. But what book? For students from Years 7 to 9 enrolled in the Premier’s Reading Challenge and for Year 10 students participating in the Edmund Rice Reader’s Cup, the Reading Lists offer plenty of great choices. St Pius’ current Top Ten books compiled from what students are borrowing also provides inspiration:

1. Divergent by Virginia Roth
2. Ready Player One Ernest Kline
3. Trash by Andy Mulligan
4. The Mascaron Drive by Tite Kube
5. The Recruit by Robert Muchamore
6. The Fault in our Stars by John Green
7. Gone by Michael Grant
8. Revolver by Martin Sedgewick
9. Attack on Titan (1) by Isayama Hajime
10. Black Friday by Robert Muchamore

A personal recommendation for older students and parents alike would be John Green’s *The Fault in our Stars*, read this incredibly moving story before seeing the movie. If you’re still unsure of what to read, remember the Senior Resource Centre is here to help. So drop in TODAY for a personal recommendation and a book to keep you warm - inside and out.

Mrs M Waterson – Convenor

Mrs K Keighery
Learning Enrichment Notices

CONGRATULATIONS: I would like to congratulate the students who have attended Compass Club this term. It takes enormous commitment to take on extra academic challenges. Students have submitted some impressive work this term and are commended for their efforts. Compass Club begins again Week 1, Term 3.

TOURNAMENT OF MINDS: Congratulations to those boys in Years 5 and 6 who were selected to represent the College in the Tournament of Minds Challenge. Training starts Wednesday Term 3 Week 1. Please ensure that you attend your team’s meeting promptly with your lunch and all necessary materials. Any time changes will be in the Daily Notices.

SCREEN IT COMPETITION (YEARS 5-12): Registrations are open for Screen It 2014! Fancy yourself a filmmaker? Think you can match Shaun Tan in the animation stakes? Want to show off your skills as a videogame developer? Then get ready to enter this year’s Screen It competition for your chance to create something amazing and win some awesome prizes! A national moving image competition for primary and secondary students, Screen It is designed to encourage and foster the next generation of young moving image makers. This year, Screen It entrants are asked to create works responding to the theme: Reflection.

Those boys interested can visit: www.acmi.net.au/screenit

Students needing further information about courses or competitions are welcome to contact me.

From the Junior School

DANCE PROGRAM
The dance program concludes tomorrow, Thursday 19th June, and all the parents/grandparents are most welcome to the finale. It commences at 12.45 pm and is followed by afternoon tea for the parents while the boys have their lunch. You are then most welcome to take your son home for the holidays.

FIDE ET LAHORE AWARDS
Please note the fide awards will be given out at the dance concert on Thursday.

BOOK YOUR INTERVIEW TIMES
The reports will be mailed home to you at the conclusion of the term. We will then have parent/teacher meetings on the first day of Term 3, 14 July, which is a pupil free day. You should have received information via email 2 weeks ago about how to book your appointment. If you haven’t done so please go online and book your 10 minute appointment with your son’s class teacher. Appointments occur between 8 am and 4 pm.

LIFE EDUCATION
Year 5 have their life education lesson on the first day back of Term 3. The boys will learn about a healthy body and the dangers of smoking and drugs. Each class will have a session at school for 1.5 hours. Otherwise it is school as normal. They do have some souvenirs for sale. Hopefully ‘Healthy Harold’ makes an appearance!

Please be safe on the roads during the holiday period.
**Handwriting Course**

![Kids Plan-it Occupational Therapy](image)

**HANDWRITING AND WRITING GROUP**

**2014**

Kids Plan-it Occupational Therapy is proud to announce that in 2014, we will be offering a tailored weekly handwriting and writing group at St Paul’s College, Chatswood. This service will include an initial short assessment focusing on the skills and underlying abilities required for handwriting and writing, an ongoing term block of intervention, and short feedback report at the end of the term.

**When:** Tuesday mornings, 8:00-8:30am  
**Where:** Learning support classrooms at St Paul’s College, Chatswood  
**Who:** Any student from Year 5-12  
**Group size:** 36 students per group  
**Cost:** The initial assessment cost is $150 (completed in first session) + weekly sessions of $40 per student. Private Health Rebates available  
**Contact:** Jessica Westaver, OT, Kids Plan-it Occupational Therapy, 0439 604 501 or info@kidsplan-it.com.au

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**Homework Help**

Homework Help is held every **Monday to Thursday inclusive** after school from **3.15pm - 4.30pm in the Senior Resource Centre**. Students are to be actively engaged in school work, reading or study. All ages and levels of ability are welcome to attend, so come along and take advantage of the service.

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**Cultural Exchange Scholarship Opportunity for Current Year 10 Students**

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange is offering a 3 month scholarship to current Year 10 students, from November 2014 to January 2015 to either France, Italy or Germany. Please see the flyer in **Woodchatta Extras** for more information.

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**Chess Notification**

Please be aware that as the last day of term is Thursday there will be no chess this Friday. Round 7 matches will be played **Week 1 Term 3, Friday 18th July**. The venue for the match will be as scheduled. Please check where your son will need to travel to.

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**Ms K Martin**  
**Mrs K Martin**  
**Ms K Manga – Teacher in Charge LOTE**  
**Ms D Ramsey – Convenor**
NOT ONE, BUT TWO! St Pius X now has two capped Wallabies in its Old Boy ranks in the form of Wallabies Captain, Michael Hooper and debutante Wallaby Luke Jones. The College is very proud of both young men and wish them well with their ongoing international representation.

HOLIDAY TRAINING: The Sarto Gym will be open for ALL students during the holiday break on the following days:

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RUGBY: “A Competitive Saturday”

If you were a neutral supporter on Saturday you would have enjoyed every game! Right from the very first whistle early Saturday morning I knew it was going to be a very competitive day. Oakhill showed in the first game that they played a similar style to ourselves, winning quick ball and moving it wide. Our 13Cs also played this way but much more effectively running out comfortable winners with Luke Psaila in outstanding form.

All the games that followed were very competitive. Our 15Bs earned a draw and our 15 As had a very impressive win with Luke Spencer directing play very maturely. Although we had no further success our performances were full of endeavour and enthusiasm, a St Pius trait.

Our 14A’s have had a wonderfully unbeaten run which began at the start of last season. On Saturday it came to an end. No team remains unbeaten and they are to be congratulated on playing some outstanding rugby over the last two seasons. Now it’s time to start the next run of success, with go forward, purposeful practice and enjoyment the key factors. The holiday break is time to repair injured bodies and freshen up the mind for the next campaign when we return against St Pats.

Our 1st XV squad go on tour to Queensland and we wish them well in that tournament, playing against teams from Australia, New Zealand and Europe.

Finally, all at St Pius X should swell with pride at the appointment of Michael Hooper as Wallaby Captain, a role he may take into next year’s World Cup in England. He was joined in Saturday’s test against the French by Luke Jones, which gives St Pius another international player, both with long term futures at international level. In my humble opinion they will not be the only St Pius players to represent Australia in years to come!

Have a great holiday, and I’ll see you next term. I’m going to NZ for the final of the U20s World Cup and the 3rd AB v England test – need to stay up to date!

Mike Penistone – Rugby Development Officer
Dear Parents and Players,

Well done to all teams on the weekend. It was a tough round against a strong Oakhill opposition. Team of the week would have to go to the mighty 13B’s, who turned a 3-3 draw in round 1 into a 3-1 victory in last weekend’s fixtures. Player of the week goes to 2nd XI goalkeeper Tom Slack. Tom played in the 2nds and copped a blow to the neck late in the match. He still managed to back up for the 1st XI where he made a crucial save of a penalty to allow the 1st XI to continue on their undefeated run.

There are no fixtures till next term. The DRAFT times for the 19th of July are listed here and will be confirmed in the first Woodchatta of next term.

Good luck to the 1st XI on their tour of Queensland in the upcoming holidays. Have an enjoyable break.

Mr S Yue – Convenor

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ISA TENNIS – Round 6 was washed-out and enabled all die-hard Socceroo fans to watch the first game. Round 7 is the first week back after the holidays and St Pius will be playing at a mixture of venues including Oxley. SPX is sitting quite comfortably at the moment on the various divisional leader boards and it is important that we continue to maintain our competitive edge. The updated Leader board can be found in Woodchatta Extras. Training will begin for Term 3 on the first day back!

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BOXERCISE FOR FITNESS & FUN is available for all students every Thursday and Friday morning at 7.30am in the Blue Room. Please contact Mr Russo if you have any queries.

Junior School Sport

Thursday Sport: on at Oxford Falls. Our Dance Program concludes [see below] and so no Winter Sport training.

Dance Program: Our 3 week program concludes at Oxford Falls this Thursday. Parents are invited to attend a short, final performance at 12.45pm, followed by afternoon tea in the Curtin Room.
Rugby: NB. The Preps will train at Beauchamp Oval on Tuesday 15th July (first day back).

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Mr G Virgona – Junior School Sportsmaster

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will reopen at 8am on Monday 14th July (Staff Development Day)

TRADING HOURS – MONDAYS, TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS 8.00am–1.30pm.

Orders can also be placed either by phoning the shop or sending an email to uniformshop@stpiusx.nsw.edu.au. Parents are reminded that the Uniform Shop also sells second-hand school uniforms. Enquiries 9414 4339.

A price list is available on the College website. http://www.spx.nsw.edu.au/facilities/uniform-shop

Mrs D Muirhead – Co-ordinator

Canteen Roster

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Cants: C Sweeney, A Spencer, L Diaz, P Scalff, S Roberts, M Mooney, J Bendoll

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The following information is contained within this week’s Woodchatta Extras.

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   Child & Adolescent Parenting Courses/Workshops
   Parenting Education for Mums, Dads and Carers – Term 3, 2014

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7. SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIP FLYER

8. ISA TENNIS RESULTS 2014

9. FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

10. RUGBY CLUB NEWS

11. OLD BOYS NEWS
A Principal’s Reflection

John Couani – St Pius X College Chatswood

THE JOURNEY BEGINS

Sitting in the comfort of the Qantas Lounge, Sky News begins to outline the bombing in Nairobi killing 10 people in a city market and that some British travellers are being evacuated from Mombasa. After consultation on the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website for advice, it reads “Reconsider your need to travel.” Basically it means that all non-essential travel should be reconsidered. Should I stay or should I go? There is no doubt that we really need to do this. Once committed there is no turning back and so with some trepidation we determine to step into the deep confident of the hospitality of our hosts and the persistence of our forebears. Onwards we press.

THE ARRIVAL

Sunday 18th May

We have arrived safely in Nairobi today after a long but good flight. Nairobi is so overcrowded but we have been well cared for. We were brought out to the Dimesse Sisters’ Retreat Centre at Karen and it is simple but very nice and peaceful.

We are very safe as the Retreat Centre is gated and has barriers on top of high brick walls. They shut down the perimeter of the centre from about 7.00pm and we are confined to the inside and conference areas. For our own safety we are not permitted outside as Rhodesian Ridgebacks patrol the grounds. Sounds extreme but we are very well looked after. We are quite a way out of the city and nowhere near recent trouble. They all take it in their stride around Nairobi.

Tomorrow our Pre-program Group begins its Immersion Program with a visit to the Ruben Centre.
Monday 19th May

Dear friends and colleagues

I have just returned from one of the most challenging and at the same time exhilarating immersion experiences I have ever had.

We visited the Ruben Centre which is a public school with over 2000 students from essentially Kindergarten to approximately our equivalent of Year 8. It is in the heart of the Mukuru slum area of Nairobi. It is led by Br Frank O’Shea and it is supported by limited government funding and from sponsors and benefactors across the world and here in Kenya. It is a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition. They have 36 teachers. Of these, 12 are government funded and the rest are funded by the benefactors’ contributions.

The class sizes range from 45 up to 90+ in some cases. The average is about 60.

It is hard to know where to start explaining my experience and what I have seen and shared today. It is still a culture shock even though I knew what I would be visiting.

Arriving in Mukuku community district, one is confronted by the cramped living conditions and the problems of hygiene and the immediate and obvious problems in this community. The people are friendly and welcoming and when we arrive in our 14 seater van we arrive at the oasis that is the Ruben Centre. It is a gated and secure location which has the total respect of the local community. It is essentially a school but much, much more.

Within the grounds, there is a police station. There is an Aids and Health clinic which deals with a range of complex health and social issues including HIV, TB, STDs, cervical cancer and it also has a women’s clinic. There is a baby care clinic for newborns and infants. In the Ruben Centre, through the school and the clinic, there is a nutrition program. They feed the students two meals per day. They make their own charcoal fuels to burn and to cook these meals. They also have an ecology project to begin teaching how to produce vegetables and the like. I was very moved by the program to assist children and their mothers who are escaping from child exploitation.
They teach the mothers skills in beading to assist them in beginning a new life in self-financing a small business in making and selling beads. Similarly, there is a sewing class which assists in making bags for sale. Beautiful craftwork. It is a community. There are adult literacy classes too.

Let me also say how happy and joyful this community is. They value the dignity of each other, have respect and hold their school and community in such pride. I was captivated by the children who are an absolute delight and so keen to meet and talk with visitors. Their work in class is good and they try hard. They are very active, engaging and they love to sing.

It is a big day at the Ruben Centre tomorrow as they open a new classroom block and the Governor is coming to gain what political mileage he can from the funding of such a project.

The school aims to acquire another block of land next door and build an upper secondary school.

If anyone can achieve this, it is Br Frank O’Shea who is simply inspirational.

Br Frank O’Shea walked us through the Mukuru slum and the conditions can only be described as very, very poor. No-one should have to live this way.

Yet, they see that education will help in so many ways and that is the central point of Ruben.

How can we not seek ways to assist them? The Edmund Rice Foundation is a key link in providing funds. These funds won’t solve anywhere near the many difficulties here but it will help this community to continue to grow and tackle the challenges they have every day.

Tomorrow is another day in Nairobi and another experience. We will visit the Mary Rice Centre.
**Tuesday 20th May**

I am back in my room in the Dimesse Sisters Convent in Karen, Nairobi after a huge immersion day. The rain is falling and it is coming on sunset. I am reflecting on a day of significant emotion, learning and personal transformation.

**MARY RICE CENTRE**

We visited the Mary Rice Centre in Kibera, Nairobi. Kibera is a slum with a population of 1.6 million. It is incomprehensible without visiting and experiencing the day to day living of the community. The Mary Rice Centre was established only in 2007 and is named in honour of Edmund Rice’s wife who was injured in a horse accident while pregnant. Before she died she gave birth to her daughter (Mary) who was subsequently disabled.

The Centre is led by Br Gerald Mgalula, a Kenyan Christian Brother. The Centre is for disabled Primary aged children. Their problems range from severe learning disabilities, high spectrum autism, deafness and cerebral palsy to a range of motor conditions often coupled with malnutrition and often with multiple disabilities. This is only a small centre catering at this stage for 25-30 students who are brought to school (often carried) by their parents to school where there are teachers, OTs and aides for these children. They are the happiest and most delightful children who receive much love and care, and two meals a day from the centre.

Following time in the classrooms with the children, we went from the centre for about a 2 hour walk through the slum and visited the homes of a number of the families whose children are at Mary Rice. The Centre has made such a difference to the children and to the lives of these families because without the centre the children would be at home with their parents and without hope of learning and support. Life in the slums is a dreadful cycle of poverty with overcrowding, disease, hygiene and unemployment. The cost of rent, water, food and electricity combine to make the basics of putting a meal on the table each day and washing clothes a battle for survival. Entering the homes of these families was a privilege.
These families are very good people and keep clean and respectable homes. They have dignity and spirit. A single-room dwelling can house up to 9 or 10. One single mother we visited is raising 6 children on her own and one with severe disabilities. Her husband died following a head injury and then contracting meningitis. Imagine our deep emotion when she thanked us for humbling ourselves and visiting her home. We were indeed humbled by the experience - not in the sense that she thanked us, but in understanding the enormity of her struggle and that of all those living side by side in such conditions. In every way we question our enormous privilege back home.

Another mother we met has 9 children with 2 of them having significant disabilities and taking classes at the Mary Rice Centre. Her husband is a drunkard and leaves her for months on end. What a challenge!

The Mary Rice Centre is only just making ends meet and the needs of so many more children go unmet. These are the most disadvantaged children in a community which is in itself grossly disadvantaged and trying to constantly develop.

The Centre gives love and hope to all who enter it.
BR BEAUSANG SCHOOL (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)

Following our morning in the Kibera slum we visited a co-ed Primary and Secondary school named after an Irish Christian Brother, Br Beausang, who taught the Irish Parish Priest Fr McGarry. It was this inspiration which led to Fr McGarry establishing this school in 2000. It was a wonderful irony that two of our group from Northern Ireland, Kevin Burke and John Cooley, were taught by Br Beausang back home.

There are approximately 800 students across Primary and Secondary. The children, like all we have met in Nairobi, are just a joy. Intelligent, enthusiastic and beautiful. They are from a mixture of backgrounds and many of them are poor and from another slum district which is not as severe as Kibera slum, but they are certainly from families who can barely afford to send them to school. It is located in Embulbul, about 15-20 kms outside the heart of Nairobi. The school itself has been built up with funds from sponsors and donors such as the Edmund Rice Foundation and a range of EREA schools across Victoria and Tasmania. It has good facilities and dedicated teachers. An Australian, Mr Peter Shanahan (WA’s Br Shanahan is his brother) is the Principal and has been there for 7 years. He was formerly the Principal of St Paul’s Gillies Plains in Adelaide. There are Kenyan Christian Brothers teaching in the school.

The educational standards here are good and the students have a real pride in their work and the school. We visited some classes and when I introduced myself to the Year 6 class as the Principal of St Pius X College, the boy in the adjacent photo shot to his feet because his name is Pius! I happily presented him with my own school cap and as you can see he was as proud as punch. I don’t know who was the happier of the two of us but it was a great way to end the visit.

To say the day has been an emotional one is an understatement and I don’t know what it all means at this point but if one day in Nairobi is to change hearts, this is the day.

Tomorrow the formal gathering of Edmund Rice Education Across Borders begins as the Pre-program Immersion comes to an end. The newly elected Christian Brothers Congregational Leadership Team are almost all here now and most of our delegates have arrived, with only a few more coming tomorrow. It looks like we have much to discuss.

Till next I write, May God keep all of us, and all those we love, in the palm of his hand.
**Wednesday/Thursday, 21st – 22nd May**

Edmund Rice Education Across Borders (EREAB) began yesterday with real passion and wonderful spirit. We have now closed for Day 2. The gathering of delegates from across the world has opened each of us to the experience of one another and we have shared our own story of Edmund Rice Education and the religious, cultural and social challenges in our country. We have begun now to deliberate how we can better work in partnership with each other. So stimulating and diverse was each presentation today and the similarities in what we are trying to achieve is fascinating. The problems in some countries are enormous and I reflect on what we have and how great our Catholic education in the Edmund Rice Tradition is for our students. Australian Catholic education overall is so fortunate. Through EREAB we have the potential to achieve much together.

We have a similar and complementary understanding of the Mission and Vision for schools in the Edmund Rice tradition and we are united in our faith. Very inspiring hearing the work and challenges across the globe.

We go gently.

**Friday 23rd May**

Down to Business!

How can we get EREAB off the ground? What can we do together, drawing from our diversity, inclusion and shared Mission?

The discussion began with a presentation from Br Peter Harney from Edmund Rice International regarding advocacy and a consideration of the possibilities for advocacy within and across our schools and communities. The work is inspirational and I realise how much we take for granted but how little we know about human rights. Our schools could and should teach more on the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights.
For the majority of the day we discuss opportunities and possibilities for interaction. Our deliberations include:

- A common Vision Statement. Identity development
- Formation Experiences
- Providing assistance and resources to developing countries
- Twinning/Pairing of Schools
- Website, digital discussion forums and online materials
- Choosing a global theme annually
- Teacher/student exchange
- Immersion experiences
- Professional development
- International symposium
- Advocacy
- Eco-justice
- GAP year Project
- Mapping interaction and ensuring support for needy communities
- Volunteers, sponsorship and donations

A Conversation with Br Hugh O’Neill (Canada) and the Congregational Leadership Team (CLT) took place after our evening meal. The CLT is one of compassion and sensitivity with Br Hugh O’Neill a very humble and authentic leader. The CLT also includes Br Julian McDonald (Australia), Br Richard Walsh (New Zealand), Br John Casey (Ireland) and Brother Peter Dowling (Australia). The discussion was wide ranging between ministry, religious life, education, child protection, missionary work and vocations. The openness and willingness to engage was greatly appreciated.

The encouragement for Edmund Rice Education Across Borders is tangible and the meeting of the CLT coinciding with EREAB is no coincidence but an expression of support and unity. The appreciation for the Brothers was deeply expressed by all.

**Saturday 24th May**

We begin in prayer and centre our hearts on relationships. Relationship with the earth, with God and with each other. We viewed a clip of Bishop Desmond Tutu who emphasised that we cannot be truly human unless we are in relationship with one another. A perfect start to our serious determination of what we can achieve.

“It always seems impossible until it’s done.”

* Nelson Mandela
Our task challenges us to envision 3 years from now to 2017 to a future gathering where we present at an International symposium of EREAB. Our presentations focus on what we have achieved since we met in 2014 in Nairobi. Each group creatively sets to the challenge and the outcomes bear strong similarities.

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It emerges clearly that if ERAB is to take root at all, we need to draw forward our vision and priorities. Coupled with leadership and structure we set to work on bringing this to birth. A more suitable name is debated along with a motto.

Through skilful facilitation from Br Peter Harney and Brian Garrone, the genesis begins to emerge and will be shaped on Sunday after Mass at Marist University, Karen.

The Brothers from Nairobi join us for a special celebratory meal during the evening and we offer our appreciation and affection in solidarity for the hospitality and the work of our Kenyan Brothers. Each country shared some of its story and mission and education. The energy from the Brothers of Nairobi is dynamic as many of these young and enthusiastic Brothers have only just begun their vocation.
Sunday 26th May

A New name

EDMUND RICE EDUCATION BEYOND BORDERS

Following Mass at the Marist University which is only a short drive from the Dimesse Sisters in Karen we return to settle into the challenge of finalising our Vision and Priorities as well as the Statements of what we commit to Beyond Borders.

It is challenging and rewarding work and there is a synergy in the thinking of the group. We bring to life the draft document which our skilful writing team have crafted overnight.

VISION OF EDMUND RICE EDUCATION BEYOND BORDERS

Inspired by the teachings of Jesus, Gospel values and the Spirit of Edmund Rice, we commit ourselves in global solidarity to transformational education for justice and liberation.

PRIORITIES

1. Developing our Identity
2. Transformational Education
3. One Voice For Justice
4. Effective Communication
5. Formation For Mission
6. Inspirational Leadership

SHARED COMMITMENT

A Statement of Commitment was then drafted for each Priority and we committed ourselves in solidarity to these.
FROM CONCEPT TO REALITY!

HOW ARE WE TO ACHIEVE THESE PRIORITIES?

The afternoon was set aside for determining some of the actions which we will undertake under each priority area.

WHO WILL BE THE LEADERS OF EDMUND RICE EDUCATION BEYOND BORDERS?

Providing an International structure for the leadership of EREBB will be critical to the introduction of this new venture and to develop and sustain this global network. In geographical regions or countries, representatives emerged and formed a Leadership Team. It was agreed upon by all and we are blessed with a talented and truly representative team.

CHAIR: Dr Wayne Tinsey (Australia and New Zealand)
DEPUTY CHAIR: Sr Ona Bessette (Northern America – Canada and USA)
EXECUTIVE SUPPORT: Sharon Van Vouren (South Africa)
EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Brian Garrone (Australia)

Leadership team members: Alberto Olivera (South America), Gerard Bennett (Ireland), Br Mike De Klerk (South Africa), Patrick Savage (South Africa), Br Albert Gomez (West Africa)

Regional Leadership and Lead Schools: All other delegates agreed to take a role in Regional Leadership and for principals to actively seek to develop lead schools to take forward the many exciting ways to enliven the Vision of Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders

IMMEDIATE AND SHORT TERM OUTCOMES

The group is indeed ambitious to begin and we have agreed that we need to make a start as soon as possible. We aim to commission a website immediately and a sequence of strategic actions are next to be developed including gatherings of regional Representatives in our home areas as well as liaisons with key groups including the Christian Brothers, Presentation Brothers and significant partnering organisations and potential sponsors.

MONDAY 26th MAY

WE LAUNCH BR BEAUSANG SCHOOL, EMBULBUL

The end of our week comes so quickly and with an enormous sense of achievement and anticipation, we gather for morning prayer facing Mount Kenya. We give thanks for our time together, making new friends and building stronger links across our countries and communities. We ask for God's continued blessings.

We travel to Br Beausang School at Embulbul where we visited at the start of the week.
It was there in prayer, song and celebration that the students, staff and delegates gathered to launch Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders.

“Let us be absolutely clear that at the centre of everything we do will be those young people in this world for whatever reason, have been made poor.”

*Dr Wayne Tinsey at the launch.*

*Chair Edmund Rice Education Across Borders*

In closing, this experience has been truly enriching and deeply transformational on a personal level and I treasure the newly formed friendships and connections across our global network.

*John Couani*
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**October Holidays**: Manly Jazz Festival | Senior Jazz Band

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*Ms T Bates – Performing Arts Coordinator*
Parenting Programs
Child & Adolescent Parenting

WHAT'S ON IN TERM 3 - COURSES/WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Tuning in to Teens Course
Skills to communicate with your teenagers so that you understand each other better & are able to build positive relationships.
* Understanding teenagers today & communication skills
* Emotional intelligence skills
* How to prevent behaviour problems & conflict resolution
Chatswood 5 wks/2.5 hrs (12/8 - 9/9, 7.00-9.30pm)

Dealing with Teen's Backchat Workshop
* Learn how to restore a respectful & positive relationship with your teenager.
* Understand what it is like being a teenager today.
* Learn how to talk so that they listen & how to listen so that they talk to you.
Chatswood (5/8, 7.00-9.30pm)

Tuning in to Kids Course - Chatswood (13/8 - 10/9)

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Course - Chatswood (26/7 - 8/9)

NEW Communicating with Kids Workshop - Chatswood (4/9)

WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF TEENS - 9887 5830
* Dealing with Teen's Back Chat
* Transition to High School
* Triple P Seminar Series (Teens)
* Resilient Kids
* Bully Busting Workshop

OTHER WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST (2-2.5 hours)
* Understanding Your Toddler/Discipline & Tantrums
* Tucker without Tantrums/Toilet Training
* Speech & Language Development/Sleep
* Older Sibling - New Baby
* Transition to School
* Grand Parenting - Chatswood (15/9)
* Communicating with Kids

Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting 9887 5830

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**FOR CHILDREN 1-12 YEARS**

**Toddlers: Terrible or Terrific?**
3 x 2.5hr workshops $59pp or $119pp for 3 workshops in one term

- Age 3-4yrs
  1. Understanding Your Toddler/Disillusion & Tantrums
  2. Toilet Training: Bowels or Bladders
  3. Speech & Language Development

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119
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  - 2. Toilet Training: Bowels or Bladders
  - 3. Speech & Language Development

**Tunring in to Kids**
5 x 2 (2.5hrs) $169pp (S140 per age) Age 3-10yrs

- Content: Help your child develop emotional intelligence, learn how to talk and understand your child, help them manage emotions, prevent behaviour problems & teach them to deal with conflict.

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119
  - 1. Tunring in to Kids

**Triple P (Positive Parenting Program)**
7 x 2 (2.5hrs) $199pp ($157.40 per age) Age 3-8yrs

- Content: A behaviour management program including clear strategies on how to encourage desirable behaviour & manage persistent misbehaviour.

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119

**Dealing With Teens’ Backchat Workshop**
2.5hrs $119

- Content: Are you struggling with a teenager who answers back all the time? Learn how to restore a respectful and positive relationship between you and your teenager, understand what it is like being a teenager today, learn how to talk so that they will listen and how to listen so that they will talk to you.

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119

**Triple P (PPP) Seminars (2hrs) $4800 per 50**

Organised through schools, centres and councils

- Content: Help your child develop emotional intelligence, learn how to talk and understand your child, help them manage emotions, prevent behaviour problems & teach them to deal with conflict.

**Term 1**

- Tues 1.30-3.30pm $4800

**RESILIENT KIDS WORKSHOP**

**3hrs** $150

- Content: Helping your child recognise, accept & express feelings, develop optimism thinking, coping skills & problem solving skills.

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119

**FOR TEENS**

**Tunring in to Teens**

S160 (2.5hrs) $169pp ($150 per age)

- Content: Help your teenager develop emotional intelligence, learn how to talk and understand your teenager, help them to manage their emotions, prevent behaviour problems and teach them to deal with conflict.

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119

**COMMUNICATING WITH KIDS WORKSHOP**

2.5hrs $119

- Content: Communication skills for building positive relationships, problem ownership, listening skills, assertiveness skills and problem solving skills.

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119

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**WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS ORGANISED THROUGH SCHOOLS, CENTRES & COUNCILS**

**Community rate $4800 group booking (25 people)**

- 90pp over 6 mnths.

**For school terms 1, 2 & 3**

**Workshops**

**Bullying and Cyber Bullying for Parents**

- Content: Helping your child understand bullying, myths about bullying, how to help your child if they are being bullied, what to do if they are doing the bullying behaviour.

**Term 3**

- Tues 7.30-9.30pm $119

**RESILIENT KIDS**

- Content: Helping your child recognise, accept & express feelings, develop optimistic thinking, coping skills & problem solving skills, dealing with negative emotions & stressful events.

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**Transition to High School**

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Parent Forum Reminder: Monday June 23
Anxiety & Adolescence, with Sue Carlson

Next Monday’s parent forum focuses on generalised anxiety: the ways it affects teenagers, and strategies to help deal with exam anxiety, social anxiety and school pressure.

 Presenter for the evening is Sue Carlson, registered Psychologist and School Counsellor. Sue has front line experience as a teacher, exam marker, HSC advisor, school counsellor and psychologist in private practise.

**When**: Monday June 23, 6.30 - 8.30 pm


**Who**: Parents, teenagers and interested members of the public are all welcome.

Bookings: youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au

More info: www.kyds.org.au


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You will be required to submit a 1,000 word essay (maximum length) on a particular topic by 1st August 2014.
## ISA 2014 Tennis Results

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Hope you are all in the World Cup spirit and cheering on your favourite teams. We are giving you a great chance to win an Adidas World Cup replica Brazuca football personally signed by Ange Postecoglou and past Socceroos - Brett Emerton & Mark Bosnich.

All you have to do to enter the competition is send in some photos of your boys in action at a St Pius game. We will put the photos onto the Football Club webpages on the P&F website. Everyone who sends in photos will go into a draw to win the signed football. Send your photos (with captions and/or details of the game being played - team, date, opponents) to footballclub@pandf.spx.nsw.edu.au. The more times you send photos the more entries you get (for multiple entries the photos must be for different games).

Entries will close at the end of the season mid-August.

SPX-FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS:

FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT DAY – MONDAY 15 JULY: After a great success with this day last year - the Football Club is pleased to offer the Development Day again on the last day of the Winter break.

Our specialist Coaches, Chris Semaan, Drew Taylor and (ex –Socceroo) Troy Halpin, and others will be working with our boys to refine skills and get prepared for the final rounds of the IPSHA and ISA seasons.

The cost for 4 hours of quality coaching (9am – 1pm), including bus transport to and from the college, is $55.

Registration is via Trybooking with the following URL: www.trybooking.com/EZVR
This is a great way for the boys to get fired up for the run to the Football finals in August.

TEAM MANAGERS: Thanks to all the people who have stepped up as Manager for their son’s team. Please introduce yourselves to the other parents and support the coach, as needed. Mary Ann Back (our Managers Coordinator) will be pleased to discuss any football matters with you - backs@bigpond.net.au

SPECIALIST COACHING: Specialist coaching is continuing on a weekly basis with senior coaches booking in Chris Semaan for training and matches, Drew Taylor continues on a weekly basis for junior teams’ training, with Chris supporting at training and on match days.

WORLD CUP FOOTBALL LUNCHEON PHOTOS: Don’t forget our fabulous World Cup Football Luncheon was captured extensively on film. Check out all the photos on the website http://pandf.spx.nsw.edu.au/index.php/sports/football

NEXT FC MEETING: Tues 22 July @ 7pm Sarto Centre (Cnr Daisy & Anderson Sts) - All welcome!

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2014 SEASON FIXTURES

Despite the wintry conditions last weekend, the Senior School teams had a full fixture list vs Oakhill at Oxford Falls. Whilst not all the results went our way, all of the SPX teams across the age groups were fully committed and never gave up until the final whistle.

After the School holidays, Rugby resumes in Term 3 with matches against St Patrick’s, Waverley and Newington Wyvern on Saturday 19th July.

KEY DATES IN 2014 FOR SPX RUGBY SUPPORTERS

Please note the following dates in your diaries – more details will be communicated closer to the dates:

- Term 2/Term 3 Holidays – Opens Rugby Tour (Queensland)
- 25-26 July – Parents & Supporters Trip to Orange
- 19 August – Rugby Presentation Night

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SPX OLD BOYS – TOGETHER AGAIN AS WALLABIES!

FROM THIS…….2008

TO THIS!!!!....2014

Luke Jones – front row, 2nd from the left & Michael Hooper, Captain - front row, 2nd from the right

History for the college was certainly made last Saturday in Melbourne when SPX claimed 2 Wallabies in the same match. Michael Hooper as captain and Luke Jones gained his first cap at the 60 minute mark of the game when he came on for James Horwell. Congratulations to both boys.

WATKINS OVAL, OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Last Saturday a large contingent of the Watkins family were on hand to “Open” Watkins Oval. With decades of service to SPX and the wider community, approx 20 of the family attended Oxford Falls where Peter Watkins did the honours of ceremonially kicking off for the 14C’s on the oval. A game in which Peter’s son Jack played and scored a try. This was followed by a luncheon where John Couani warmly welcomed the family to Oxford Falls and Peter presented the match day jerseys to the SPX 1st XV and had a few words of inspiration. Peter’s eldest son Sam played in both the 2nd & 1st XV games and scored a try.

OLD BOYS NEWS: If you have some news for the old boys that you would like included in this section, please let us know at; info@oldboys.spx.nsw.edu.au

SPX OLD BOYS RUGBY – BROTHERS RUGBY CLUB SYDNEY

BROTHERS RUGBY – SEASON 2014:

Good wins to 1st grade, 2nd grade and colts at the weekend keep them at the top end of the ladder and the club 3rd in the club championship. Good luck to all teams this weekend.

It’s not too late to join in, so check the website for details; www.brothersrugby.com.au

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