



# Agité

**Term 4, Week 5**

**November, 2017**

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## Principal

The Term 4 APSPA meeting was held recently which is a gathering of Principals from across the province. Ms Ann Maree Pagon, Director of Religious Education, participated in one of the days in which the 2018 Strenna put forward by The Rector Major, Fr Angel Fernandez Artime, was announced. The Strenna was inspired by the story of the 'Samaritan Woman' as told in John's Gospel.

*"There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (John 4:7-9).*



The Strenna will guide the St Joseph's College community throughout 2018: "Let us cultivate the art of listening and of accompaniment."

Congratulations to the Junior Debating Team which won the ACC Debating Competition in Division 2. Thanks to Mr Brian Martin who supported the students. Pictured L-R: Harry Johnson (8 Ledda), George Wright (8 Ledda) and Tommy Judd (8 Ledda).



I acknowledge the significant work of staff and students as they approach the end of the school year, finish exams and move into various programs such as 'HeadStart'. HeadStart provides students with the opportunity to make a smooth transition into their 2018 programs.

All the best for the fortnight ahead.

Ms Cathy Livingston  
Principal





## Deputy Principal – Students

### Beginning With the End in Mind

Back in the late 1980s Stephen R. Covey published his famous business and self-help book, '*The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*'. Focussing on character traits rather than personality traits as many such books did at the time, Covey postulated seven desirable habits that successful leaders possessed. The second of those habits was "begin with the end in mind". This is a practical and powerful habit that crystallises for people the eventual outcome of their endeavour, and the pathway they need to follow in order to achieve it.

It is in the spirit of this habit, of beginning with the end in mind, that students have started undertaking the College's HeadStart Program. During these days, students participate in their 2018 classes with their 2018 teachers and their 2018 classmates. During the HeadStart Program, students are introduced to the subjects they are undertaking, the required tasks for assessment and the expected outcomes for those subjects. In many respects they are provided with a roadmap for success.

The Year 12 HeadStart Program started on Monday 20 November, with Year 11 students meeting their 2018 Year Level Coordinator, Ms Bantock, and then moving on to their classes. One of the focusses during this time has been to dispel some of the stress that naturally comes with a year as important as Year 12. Students were taken through the positive aspects of the coming year, and advised that thorough preparation and organisation would dissolve much of the stress.

The remainder of the College will commence its HeadStart Program on Thursday 30 November, with the entire school rolling over into 2018 mode. This is the first time the whole school has undertaken this venture, but the years of experience of the successful Year 12 HeadStart suggests that this will be a great success.

As with the Year 12s, the students from Years 8 to 11 will attend their 2018 classes alongside their 2018 teachers and classmates. This will be an opportunity for them understand the requirements of the coming year and to be comfortable with the inevitable changes of that year.

With the mystery of the coming year stripped away by the HeadStart Program all students should be able to begin the 2018 school year in a solid and confident manner, able to focus on their successful completion of that year, whether it be Year 8 or Year 12, thus beginning with the end in mind.

Mr Guido Piotti  
Deputy Principal – Students

## Deputy Principal – Teaching and Learning

### Items Included in this Edition:

- Details of the Whole-School HeadStart Program (VCE, VCAL, Years 7-10)
- Booklists (2018) Update
- Semester Two Reports - Availability
- Correction Day – 29 November
- Academic Award Evenings

### HeadStart Programs 2017

Year 12 HeadStart Program (Current Year 11s) – Monday 20 November to Friday 1 December

#### **VCE**

All current Year 11 students who are undertaking VCE (Unit 3 & 4) studies in 2018 have commenced those studies during the Year 12 HeadStart Program (Monday 20 November to Friday 1 December).



The HeadStart program is a vital component of Unit 3 & 4 studies. It provides students with the opportunity to prepare for the demands of Year 12 studies with a particular focus of the program on outlining expectations regarding subject-based assessments, study expectations and required readings etc.

Undertaken over a full timetable cycle (two weeks), students will commence all their Unit 3 & 4 subjects for up to 12 periods. Every effort will be made to make available to classes, their 2018 subject teacher. However there will be some instances where qualified substitutes will deliver the HeadStart program.

It is an expectation that students have purchased their novels for English studies (English, English Language, English Literature). These are available through Campion Books.

Students will require their MacBooks for HeadStart. They will have access to STILE as well as EdRolo (Revision resources). They will be required to wear full College summer uniform during this period.

Note: There is a **Correction Day** 29 November (Pupil Free).

### ***Senior VCAL***

All current Year 11 students who are undertaking Senior VCAL studies in 2018 have commenced those studies during the Year 12 HeadStart Program. Consistent with the school-based timetable for Senior VCAL, students had classes on Monday 20 November and Tuesday 21 November and will have classes on Monday 27 November and Tuesday 28 November.

Students will commence studies in Senior VCAL: Numeracy, Literacy, Work Related Skills and Personal Development Skills. They will be required to wear full College summer uniform during this period.

### **Year 11 HeadStart Program (Current Year 10s) – Thursday 30 November to Friday 8 December**

#### ***VCE***

All current Year 10 students who are undertaking VCE (Unit 1 & 2) studies in 2018 will commence those studies during the Year 11 HeadStart Program (Thursday 30 November to Friday 8 December).

The HeadStart program is a vital component of Unit 1 & 2 studies. It provides students with the opportunity to prepare for the demands of Year 11 studies with a particular focus of the program on outlining expectations regarding subject-based assessments, study expectations and required readings etc.

Students will require their MacBook's for HeadStart. They will have access to STILE as well as EdRolo (Revision resources). They will be required to wear full College summer uniform during this period.

Note: There is a **Correction Day** 29 November (Pupil Free).

### ***Intermediate VCAL***

All current Year 10 students who are undertaking Intermediate VCAL studies in 2018 will commence those studies during the Year 11 HeadStart Program (Friday 1 December to Friday 8 December). Consistent with the school-based timetable for Intermediate VCAL, students will have classes on:

- Friday 1 December
- Monday 4 December, Tuesday 5 December and Friday 8 December

Students will commence studies in Intermediate VCAL: Numeracy, Literacy, Certificate II in Business and Personal Development Skills. They will be required to wear full College summer uniform during this period.

### **Year 8 – 10 HeadStart Program – Thursday November 30 to Friday December 8**

Current Year 7 to Year 9 students will commence their HeadStart Programs on Thursday 30 November. The College



will be operating the 'new' 2018 timetable at this time. Following Year Level Assemblies, where they will meet their new coordinators, students will be directed to their new homerooms and classrooms and commence their 2018 program.

The HeadStart program is a vital component in preparing students for a smooth transition into their next year of studies. The program has a particular focus on outlining expectations regarding subject-based assessments, study expectations and required readings etc.

Students will be advised what materials they are required to bring each day, however all current Year 7 to 9 students are required to bring their iPads to HeadStart. They will be required to wear full College summer uniform during this period.

Note: There is a **Correction Day** 29 November (Pupil Free).

### Booklists 2018

#### VCE / VCAL

VCE Booklists for 2018 are now available through the Campion link on the [College Website](#) or below. Campion Books continue to be the College's preferred book supplier. With the exception of English novels, students will NOT require texts for HeadStart.



<https://order.campion.com.au/index.html#resourceListListView?code=5CB9BBD0>

#### Year 7 – 10 Booklists

As has been our practice in past years, prescribed texts (including iPad 'apps' and e-texts) are provided to all students as part of the school fee structure. Provision of stationery remains the responsibility of parents. A prescribed stationery list for Years 7 – 10 is available from our College Website. Whilst Campion has kindly assisted in generating the lists, parents are not compelled to purchase stationery through Campion Book sellers.

Students will be provided with some of the text resources during the upcoming HeadStart. It is incumbent on students to maintain their resources (including novels) thoughtfully over the summer break, as any lost resources will need to be replaced by the student/family.

### Correction Day

#### Wednesday 29 November (Pupil Free)

A reminder to all students and parents that Wednesday 29 November is an Assessment **Correction Day**. Students are not required to attend school on this day.

### Semester Two Reports

Year 7 – 11 Subject and Pastoral Reports will be available from SIMON on or before Friday 8 December.

### Academic Awards Evenings

#### Year 12 Awards

Year 12 **Subject Awards** are presented at the ***Year 12 Valedictory Dinner on Friday 24 November***. Special Awards, including the St Joseph's Senior Sportsman of the Year Award, Ferntree Gully Award, Rowville Endeavour Award, Long Tan Leadership Award, Michael Mathew's Commerce Award, St Joseph's All-rounder Award, Koubwere Cross Cultural Award and Jack Turner Service Award, will be announced at the Valedictory Dinner and presented at the Thanksgiving Mass and Awards Evening (St Joseph's Stadium) on Thursday 7 December. Where possible Year 12 recipients of 'Special Awards' are strongly encouraged to make themselves available for the 'Whole-School' presentation (7 December).



### Year 7 – 11 Awards

Students in Years 7 – 11 are eligible to receive a variety of Awards at the 'Whole School Mass and Awards Evening' to be held in the ***St Joseph's College Stadium 6pm – 9pm Thursday 7 December***. In addition to the subject-based Academic Excellence and Academic Endeavour Awards (Years 7 – 11).

Awards are also presented for the Top 10% Achievement across the year level as well as a variety of Special Academic, Sporting and Social-Service Awards.

Whilst all St Joseph's Community members are warmly invited to attend this special event, recipients of awards are **EXPECTED** to attend, and in **full College winter uniform** (ties and blazers etc.). Families will be notified between Thursday 30 November and Tuesday 5 December if their son(s) will be receiving an award. Please mark this date in your calendars.

Mr Andrew Cooper  
Deputy Principal – Teaching and Learning





## Prayer

### Memorial Month

*There is a Place (this is the reflection song we shared at the Memorial Mass 2017)*

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There's a time for remembering, a time to recall  
The trials and the triumphs, the fears and the falls.  
There's a time to be grateful for moments so blest,  
The jewels of our memory where love is our guest.

There is gold that is gleaming in a past we once knew,  
In our tears and our laughter, 'twas love brought us through.  
There's a road we have traveled where sunlight has kissed,  
That carries us onwards when loved ones are missed.



### Refrain

*There is treasure in our fields, There is treasure in our skies  
There is treasure in our dreaming from the soul to the eye  
For where-ever we gather in the light of God's grace  
And for all whom we remember, there will ever be a place*

There's a promise of God that is written in the stars,  
For all who may travel, no matter how far.  
God will be your companion, each journey you make  
In the shadow of loved ones, to lighten your way.

In the quiet of the evening, at the close of the day,  
We will rest on the journey, to the Lord we shall pray.  
May we thank God for blessings, for the moments we've shared,  
As we seek for tomorrow, close by us you'll stay.

## Religious Education

### Memorial Mass 2017

On All Souls Day evening we gathered in the College Chapel to pray for and remember the dead of our community. We had between 80 – 90 people attend the Mass and supper. We were privileged to share this very heartfelt and supportive gathering to remember those from our community who have died.

Thanks to the Salesians, Fr Martin (the main celebrant), Fr Jim and Br Michael, for their support on the night. Thanks also to Bronwyn Dean for her work and support with the students who provided music and beautiful singing for the Mass. The boys were: Ben Harris (10 Ledda), Joel David (11 O'Mara), Joel Francis (10 Chambers), Luke Morton (11 Cantamesa), Dylan Richards (11 Cantamessa), Obenen Tekeraoi (11 O'Mara), Teikarawa Tekinene (11 O'Sullivan) and Caelen Goldsmith (7 Prest). Finally, thanks to Ms Stefanie Mazzeo, whose support and work for this event was amazing.







There were many College staff present, supporting families and offering their own prayers for their loved ones. There were many familiar faces of families who attend every year; some new families attended too.

Ms Ann Maree Pagon  
Director of Religious Education



The latest Catholic Education Today can be read by clicking on [this link](#).

The Cagliero Newsletter #30 can be read by clicking on [this link](#).

The latest Salesian Mission Newsletter (Spring 2017) can be read by clicking on [this link](#).



## Year 9

I really enjoy reading the Valdocco honour board and the story it tells. To be fair, I do like reading honour boards in general. At footy and cricket (and I'm sure many other) clubs the honour board is such an important visual that encapsulates that story and legacy of those that have come before. 'Gold letters' are used, usually for award winners like Best and Fairest or Batting Averages. I had to pass along to Mr Tom Murphy that at the Geelong Cricket Club they don't have gold letters, they have blue letters to go with the club colours.

This year, names from the Valdocco honour board are in the news. A Valdocco Sports Champion looks likely to go very high in the upcoming AFL draft. A Valdocco Captain has just been made Deputy Mayor of Knox. A Valdocco Vice Captain has been announced as College Captain for 2018. There are still a few names to go up alongside Mackinley Hewitt (9 Ledda), Corey Preston (9 Prest) and Max Brasher (9 O'Mara) to round out the 2017 Valdocco Honour List and who knows what connections will be made with their names in the future.





Soon Valdocco will welcome a new group of students, and indeed parents, for 2018. The big events are always there: Camp, My Town, My City and My Market, but how they run and the story of the group is still to be written. The people change every year but the values of Valdocco are always there. Relationships, Responsibility, Rehearsal, and a big focus for now is Reflection.

The end of the year is almost here and reflecting on what has gone on, and what is coming up is natural. During the last Community Meeting Mr Louis Goutos went through the schedule for exam preparation sessions leading into exams. The end of year is a different motivation battle than the middle of the year. The weather is a lot better and summer is so close, but there is one last big effort before that.

And then Valdocco students have their farewell and re-entry to main campus. Senior School has a seriousness about it as a label but if students use the skills they learnt this year they will be fine. HeadStart is a good mechanism for this, with plenty of learning, but holidays are so close. And then there are the new students to enter Valdocco and the cycle goes on. Who will go on the honour board in 2018?

Market Day was held on Friday 9 November. It was a very successful day, the weather was excellent and the boys did themselves proud.

Mr Tom Fay  
Year 9 Coordinator



## Senior School

### Year 11 and Year 10 Exams

By the time this Newsletter article is published all Year 11 and Year 10 students will have received copies of their end of year Exam Timetables via their student email. Students have also received a copy of the Exam Rules that their exams will be governed by.

It is critical that all students take the time to familiarise themselves with all exam rules so that they not find themselves in a situation whereby they are in breach of any rules. Students face very severe penalties for any breaches of rules ranging from a reprimand to a cancellation of a paper and loss of grades. The rules used in Year 11 and Year 10 exams mirror those set by the VCAA and used in all Year 12 exams. It is our hope that by exposing our students to these rules for a number of years prior to Year 12 it will aid them in becoming familiar with such exam conditions and hopefully allow students to perform better overall.

Any Year 10 student who is undertaking a Year 12 class in 2018 could have a clash between Year 12 HeadStart classes and a Year 10 Exam. A clash form will need to be filled and handed in to Ms Bantock (Year 10 Curriculum Leader) as attendance at Year 12 HeadStart will take precedence over a Year 10 exam if there is a clash.

On the next page is a copy of the Year 10 Exam Timetable.



Year 10 Exam Timetable:

Wednesday 22 November	Thursday 23 November	Friday 24 November	Monday 27 November	Tuesday 28 November
9:00am – 11:10am (Rooms 45/47/Drama) English	9:00am – 10:40am (Rooms 45/47) History	9:00am – 10:40am (Rooms 45/47/Drama) Mathematics Advanced Mathematics	9:00am – 10:40am (Rooms 45/47) Commerce	9:00am – 10:40am (Rooms 45/47) General Science
11:50am – 1:00pm (Rooms 45/47/Drama) Religious Education	11:10am – 12:50pm (Rooms 45) Digital Info. Tech. Product Design Tech.	11:10am – 12:50pm (Rooms 45) Food Studies Advanced PE	11:10am – 12:50pm (Room 45) Chemistry/Physics	11:10am – 12:50pm (Rooms 60/61) Japanese Exam B Italian Exam B
1:50pm - Term 4/2018 ACC Senior Sport Tryouts Meet in Stadium	1:30pm – 3:10pm (Room 45) Drama Sport and Recreation	1:30pm – 3:10pm (Rooms 60/61) Japanese Exam A Italian Exam A	1:30pm – 3:10pm (Room 45) Geography Studio Arts	1:30pm – 3:10pm (Room 45) Clash Exam Session
2:00pm - 2018 VET Students Orientation Sessions.				

Mr Liam O'Keefe  
Head of Senior School

## Year 10

### Year 10 Drama Excursion



How do you engage teenage boys with the traditionally unfamiliar verse of William Shakespeare? It may well be to take them to the Pop-Up Globe Theatre to see the Queens Company perform one of Shakespeare's classics, with a modern twist. On Wednesday 1 November we did just that, with the Year 10 Drama class lucky enough to attend a performance of 'Much Ado About Nothing'. On arrival the boys were ushered into the 'groundlings' area of the theatre, an interactive audience standing space directly in front of the stage and surrounded by a three-story tower of circular seating. They were greeted by some of the actors moving within the audience space, stopping for a chat or asking for directions, revealing that this show would be like no other traditional Shakespearean performance. The vibrant, hilarious and

energy-packed two-act performance then followed as the boys were absorbed into the world of 16<sup>th</sup> century Messina and followed the adventures of Beatrice and Benedick and star-crossed lovers Claudio and Hero. The interactive show was heart-warming, wildly comical and engaging, but perhaps the most significant moments were in seeing how the boys could put down their iPhones and immerse themselves in the world of these characters, in an unfamiliar time and space, and engage with classic literature that will continue to withstand the test of time.

One of our students shared their thoughts on the day:

"I was a bit skeptical going into the experience regarding whether or not I would enjoy, or even understand, a Shakespearean performance. Nevertheless, I was curious, and pleasantly surprised as to how much I, and everyone else





in attendance, thoroughly enjoyed the play. It kept true to its source material yet was able to modernise it to connect to a contemporary audience. I am very grateful for this unique experience and very happy with how it resulted.”  
Leo Smith (10 Edwards)



Miss Gina Di Stefano  
Year 10 Coordinator

## Music

### Year 7 Music Soiree

We are excited to announce that the Year 7 Music Soiree will be taking place on 30 November. On this evening all Year 7 students will perform the pieces that they have been working on with their Instrumental Teachers from the beginning of the year. This is an exciting opportunity for our Year 7s to make their debut on the St Joseph's Stage. Families and friends are very welcome to attend.

**Time:** *Students from the following Year 7 Classes:*  
O'Sullivan, Prest, Ledda and Edwards: 6pm – 7pm  
*Students from the following Year 7 Classes:*  
Cantamessa and O'Mara: 7:30pm – 8pm  
Students are required to arrive 15 minutes before the start time

**Location:** Chieri

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me ([bdean@stjosephs.com.au](mailto:bdean@stjosephs.com.au) or 9758 2000).

Miss Bronwyn Dean  
Music Convenor





## Careers



### Dates to Diarise in Term 4

Year 12 VTAC very late applications – November until 8 December



### Reminder: VTAC 2018 Key Dates

VTAC Personal Statement	Friday 8 December 2017
ATARs Released	Friday 15 December 2017
COP for Early International Offers closes	Friday 15 December 2017
Change of Preference (COP) closes	Wednesday 20 December 2017
Early Round International Offers	Wednesday 20 December 2017
Main Round International Offers	Tuesday 9 January 2018
Main Round Domestic Offers	Tuesday 16 January 2018
Further Offer Rounds	Friday 2 February 2018 onwards

For a full list of cancelled, amended, and new courses, visit [VTAC Course Updates](#).

[www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au)



### **Bachelor of Science (Chiropractic) at CQUniversity (Melbourne)**

This year CQUniversity Australia offered a *new Chiropractic* program at the Melbourne campus located in the city centre, adjacent to Southern Cross Station. The course is designed to provide students with the knowledge and an appreciation of basic techniques enabling them to pursue employment opportunities as an assistant in chiropractic practice.

The course is the ideal pathway into the Master of Clinical Chiropractic. Upon completion of the Master's course, students will be eligible to apply for registration to practise as a Chiropractor. Applications should be made through VTAC.

Find out more at [Bachelor of Science \(Chiropractic\)](#).



### Looking for Casual Work?

Students considering looking for part time or casual work over the Christmas and New Year break, might like to browse the following links:

- [Woolworths & Big W](#)
- [Coles](#)
- [Kmart](#)
- [Target](#)

Students are reminded to not limit themselves to the above links, but to also think about places near to their homes – think about things that are close by, the shops they go to, the places they eat at, etc. Remember, there are so many different ways to keep busy during school holidays, and activities do not have to always be paid work. For example, volunteering for local charities is a great way to contribute to the community.



VICTORIA POLICE

### Career in the Police Force

Being a police officer no ordinary job! In fact, it is rather an extraordinary career. People who want to be part of a dynamic organisation that is dedicated to making Victoria a safer place to work and live, and who are looking to make a difference every day of their working lives, might like to visit [Police Careers](#) and find out more about the range of careers, as well as the application requirements!

Students often enquire as to the *physical requirements* they need to enter the police force. Watch a YouTube video at [YouTube](#) to find out more! Students keen on further YouTube videos regarding the Victoria Police, can watch them at [VPBlueTube](#).



### Diploma Courses

**La Trobe College of Art and Design** is a small college in the centre of Melbourne offering specialised courses in *visual art, photography, and graphic design*.

In the [Diploma of Visual Art](#), students develop a range of technical and conceptual strategies in art making whilst developing an individual direction. Students undertake subjects in *studio art, painting methods, sculpture, drawing and contemporary art theory*, along with *photography, and digital media*.

In the [Diploma of Photography](#), students learn a wide range of photography practice skills and techniques from *fine art and photo documentation through to advertising and commercial photography*.

In the [Diploma of Graphic Design](#), students gain an understanding of *fundamental design practices including concept development, typography, layout design and creative thinking*.

For more information about the application process, selection criteria, and the cost of courses, visit [La Trobe College of Art and Design](#).



### **Diploma of Nursing (Enrolled Nursing)**

Students considering applying for a Diploma of Nursing might like to consider the Diploma of Nursing (Enrolled) through Health Skills Australia. This nationally accredited Diploma of Nursing will give students the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge to deliver high quality care to the public in a variety of health care settings, including acute, palliative, aged, rehabilitation, mental health, and community care workplaces. Few professions can offer the diversity and excitement of nursing on a daily basis.

#### Entry Requirements:

- Completion of a Literacy and Numeracy assessment unless a pass in Year 12 Maths and English has been achieved in the last two years.
- Current Police Check and Working with Children Checks.
- Pre-training Review as part of the enrolment process.

#### The structure of the course:

- The 18-month full-time course is delivered over three days per week on campus.
- There are a couple of hours of self-directed study required per week.
- There are ten weeks (400 hours) of supervised clinical placement .

Student can apply through VTAC, or directly to Health Skills Australia.

Visit [Diploma of Nursing](#) to find out more!



### **VCA Year Long Short Course: Acting Studio**

Passionate about theatre? Looking to discover your hidden talents? Join VCA's Acting Studio and gain an accelerated introduction to acting and theatre.

This intensive, year-long part time course is modelled on VCA Theatre's Bachelor of Fine Art (Acting) and is designed to augment participants' creative potential and develop them as an actor. Students will gain valuable insights in voice technique, movement and physical presence, solo and ensemble skills, improvisation and impulse work, devised performance, approach to text, scene analysis and character development, and acting to camera.

Find out more at [Acting Studio 2018](#).

Mrs Vivienne Egan  
Pathways Coordinator