We survived the heat last week. May I commend the staff and students for their endurance at school. The extreme weather conditions have been a challenge in recent weeks. While we coped with record temperatures in Sydney, people in Queensland endured a devastating cyclone on top of the floods just a few weeks ago. Some in Melbourne and rural Victoria had flash flooding. Many in Western Australia were shattered by bushfires.

We have heard some very sad stories. We’ve also been inspired by acts of great courage and care. As survivors reflected on their loss and despair, many spoke of what mattered most - especially the bonds of love for their family and friends. In the midst of struggle, people reached out to support each other in wonderful ways. As well as encouraging our efforts to support those affected, it is a good reminder to consider what matters most to us. Perhaps there are people close to us who we need to support better. We do not have to wait for some catastrophe to tell those that matter most that we love them.

These introductory weeks have been busy for staff and students. There are many opportunities offered at St Aloysius’ for people to become involved. I am tremendously impressed by the way students and families embrace these. Thanks again for the dedication of so many staff including those who gave up holidays to assist with immersion opportunities later in the year.

There are always challenges getting to know new students, rolling out the timetable, adjusting to the computer network, settling into new buildings, and juggling co-curricular teams. I am so grateful for the patience and resiliency of staff, students and families.

Ours is a school with a commitment to spirituality. I would love to see the youth in our care learn how to pray and keep that rhythm through their lives. I don’t just mean vague words on their lips, or flights of misguided imagination, but to pray with a deep sense of God’s abiding love for them. A contemplative spirit is one of wonder in our experience of people, nature and events. This is where our lives are most real. It is where we take control of our lives.

The College motto is "Ad Majora Natus" born for greater things. It is what Saint Aloysius said to his father when his father wanted the young Aloysius to assume his role in the riches, fame and glory of the Gonzaga realm. Aloysius wanted instead to join the Jesuits and live a life of loving compassion. Many in the lineage of the Gonzagas of Mantua were not the most exemplary of characters. Saint Aloysius chose another way. Instead of worldly power he sought humble service. He said: I am born for greater things. When he reflected on the power, acquisitiveness and vanity about him, he knew it was shallow. He wanted to do more for himself, for others and for the world. This was where he took control of his true self.

Born for greater things encourages us to engage in the reality around us with a compassionate heart, a discerning mentality, and a courageous attitude. We look beyond our attainments and ambitions to the deepest needs of others in the world. The phrase greater things echoes the idea of the Magis. This is occasionally translated as ‘the more’. For Ignatius, Magis meant to consider things more deeply, more profoundly, and to act more humbly, more nobly. This helped us be more holy. Magis is the inspiration for us to seek more, to give more and to be more. To live this magis is one of the greatest treasures of our life.

The magis that Ignatius discovered was one that helps in making right decisions. He learnt the magis was choosing the thing which is ‘more for the service of others and for God’s glory’. To live magis means to try to know oneself and to be aware of one’s own inner movements. This requires a contemplative spirit. It invites us to entrust ourself to the guidance of God; it is to know that God has plans for us. This helps us become more open to sensing what God wants to show us. Sometimes this is the thing we least want to recognize. For Ignatius, as for each of us, the greatest joy is in getting better and better at finding God in our lives.

Peter Hosking SJ

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**College Mission Statement**

St Aloysius’ College is a Jesuit school for boys providing, in co-operation with families, a Catholic education which:

- Proposes Christ as the model of human life
- Pursues excellence in teaching and learning
- Promotes lifelong learning and spiritual growth
Boscovich also made many important contributions to astronomy, including the first geometric procedure for determining the equator of a rotating planet from three observations of a surface feature and for computing the orbit of a planet from three observations of its position. In 1753 he discovered the absence of atmosphere on the Moon. The name Boscovich is found on maps of the moon since a rather large lunar crater was named in his honour.

Jesuit education has a long tradition of involvement in the Sciences. For example, three of the main units in measuring electricity, ohms, volts and amps, are named after their discoverers, Ohm, Volta and Ampere, all of whom worked in, or graduated from, Jesuit schools. Jesuit astronomers such as Christopher Clavius have a major influence in this scientific discipline, and today the Jesuits still look after the Vatican observatories in Rome and at Mount Graham in Arizona. The Jesuit palaeontologist, Teilhard de Chardin, contributed to our understanding of evolution. Francesco Lana-Terzi SJ has a place in the history of aeronautics. The diffraction of light was discovered by Francesco Grimaldi SJ. Aloysius' itself, has its role in the history of aeronautics. The name Boscovich is found on maps of the moon since a rather large lunar crater was named in his honour.

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Comerford’s (Year 9) quick-fire half century, secured the 9As victory. In Basketball, the 9As were the standout result with a convincing win. The likes of Liam Ebbs (Year 9), Theo Ott (Year 9) and Joshua Heddle (Year 9) led an enthusiastic team and they were helped by the steely presence of Michael Bounds (Year 9) as Assistant Coach to Mr Good. In Tennis, the Firsts and Seconds remain undefeated and led a strong Aloys’ performance across all age-groups. Our Volleyballers went down to the traditional CAS power house in this sport, and so share the honours with them this season.

In two social twenty-twenty fixtures against The Shore School on Tuesday, both the Firsts and 9As recorded fine wins. Tom Goh scored 70 and Alec Cornelius (Year 12) took four wickets for the Firsts, and Rory Veevers (Year 9) scored 89 for the 9As.

Congratulations to Marcus Anderson (Year 12), Ciaran Wolohan (Year 11) and Paul Sindone (Year 12) on their selection in the NSW Under-18 team to contest the National Championships in Queensland in April.

Congratulations to Elliot Long (Year 12) on placing second in the Cole Classic ocean swim.

Chris Middleton SJ

**Oremus**

*let us pray*

**For those who have died:**

- Mr Robert ‘Bob’ Chen-Chow (Past Parent) – Husband of Susanna, father of Anna, Tony (SAC 1985) and Kevin (SAC 1990) one of the original founders of the College Foundation in 1989.

**Ask and you shall receive… knock and the door will be opened unto you.” (Matt 7:7)**

If you would like someone to be prayed for by the College community (even anonymously), please pass the details to the Rector

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**WHAT'S COMING UP**

- 14 February  
  - Junior School Parent Information Evening
  - Years 5 & 6 New Parents Ignatian evening
  - Years 7-11 New Parents/Tutor contacts
  - CAS Senior Cadet Conference & Dinner
  - Junior School Commencement Assembly

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**THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

In Term 2 we are offering parents an Ignatian programme, titled “Ignatius drawing us to Jesus”. Hosted and facilitated by Mrs Mary Diggins and the Rector Fr Peter Hosking SJ, the Tuesday evening programme will run throughout the term on Tuesdays, commencing 3 May. The programme is ideally suited to a small group of 12-14 participants who are able to commit to the full programme of two hour weekly workshops. A summary of the programme can be found in the Parent Enrichment Programme brochure, available at the College and online (under the Parents tab on the Intranet). We received very favourable reports from previous participants. Interested parents may wish to contact Mrs Michele Curtin in the Richie Fernando Centre (9936 5541).

There will be occasions when prevailing family circumstances may lead to parents seeking some form of approved leave from school for a nominated period of time. All such requests are to be made in writing, directly to the College Principal, Fr Middleton SJ. These requests will be considered on an individual basis by the Principal and permission granted based on compassionate, family circumstances. Our policy statement *Collegy Statement on Incidental Student Leave* is on p38 of the College diary.

With respect to late or early leave from term, our request is that parents are mindful of the fact that our holidays are consistent with AHISA (Association of Heads of Independent Schools of Australia) guidelines. In setting our dates, we consult with Monte Sant’ Angelo, Loreto Kirribilli and St Vincent’s Potts Point, as well as Saint Ignatius’ College. Extending holidays to take advantage of cheaper airfares is not a valid reason for a request, given the already generous amount of holidays allowed for our schools. All requests for incidental leave must be made well in advance, in writing, and addressed to the College Principal, for his consideration.

There was a small mis-print in the email address of the Year 11 Assistant Coordinator Mr Matthew Bentley. The email address should have read matthew.bentley@staloysius.nsw.edu.au All parents of Year 7 – 12 boys please continue to telephone or email in absence notification, daily by 9.00am.

Sam Di Sano (sam.disano@staloysius.nsw.edu.au)

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**THE HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL**

In my first column for the year, I did mention the fact that in addition to keeping in mind and praying for the victims of the disastrous Queensland and Victorian floods, we will endeavour to show our concern for them through action. This call to action, I know has come from many quarters and I am sure that all of us have responded in our own way. As a school response to the devastation caused by various natural disasters in the last month including the more recent Cyclone Yasi in Northern Queensland, we have decided to hold a gold coin donation ‘mufti day’ on Thursday, 17 February.

At 10.40am on 17 February, the Junior school will observe a minute’s silence, lowering our school flag to half-mast. We are asking students to come dressed in mufti (casual clothing) and to bring in a gold coin donation for the Appeal to support children, schools and communities affected by the floods. By doing this, we are reminding our children of how their peers in neighbouring states have been impacted by tragedy and loss, and providing our students with perspective on how fortunate they are to be able to attend school and return home as normal - something thousands of children across Australia are unable to do at this time. In addition, encouraging our children to participate in this appeal provides them with a really tangible way of helping kids in need in communities across the nation. In addition, in the week leading up to 17 February, there will also be a raffle (courtesy of 6.1 Class Parents, Mrs Cheryl McEvoy mother of Liam and Mrs Melissa Cooke mother of Michael), in which the boys can participate by purchasing tickets. All proceeds will be sent to the School Aid Appeal. This will be the only mufti day that we will hold in Term 1 with our main outreach focus for the Term being Project Compassion Lenten drive. Details of all activities related to our Lenten drive and project compassion will be sent home a little closer to the beginning of Lent in a few week’ time.

This is a very special week for our boys in Years 3, 4 and 5. Year 5 boys and staff left for Milson Island on the Hawkesbury for their little closer to the beginning of Lent in a few week. Years 3 and 4 boys have been joined by several of our project compassion project compassion teachers. I am looking forward to listening to first hand stories when I visit them later this Tuesday afternoon. Years 3 and 4 boys have been joined by a number of teachers and close to 50 parents over the two days at the lovely Clifton Gardens reserve for getting to know, friendship and teamwork related activities meticulously organised by Mrs Rogan and the Class teachers. I see the presence of so many parents as most encouraging, meaningful and symbolic of our partnership together in education at Aloys. Fr Schneider and I joined the boys, the staff and parent helpers at Clifton Gardens to commence the day’s activities.
with a simple prayer service in perfect weather and glorious surroundings.

May I once again remind all parents about the Parent Information Evening next Monday, 14 February from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. This session will be run by individual classroom teachers who will address issues and expectations relevant to their class and respective grade. Please go directly to your son’s classroom for a prompt 7.00pm start. If you have more than one child at the Junior School and in different grades, then I would suggest that Mum goes to one room while Dad goes to the other if that’s feasible. Failing that, please collect from your class teacher, a copy of the Junior School Parent Information booklet 2011 that we have put together for future reference. Just a reminder, that new parents in Years 5 and 6 have also an invitation for a second session on Ignatian education from 8.00pm at the Senior School.

Our congratulations this week go to the following boys who are celebrating their birthdays:

Campbell Richardson 7 Feb
Finn Spalding 9 Feb
Hamish Spalding 9 Feb
James Lynch 8 Feb
Stephen Witts 9 Feb
Cooper Feltham 10 Feb
Thomas Bruce 9 Feb
Will McManus 13 Feb

Finally, all parents are warmly invited to attend the Junior School Commencement Assembly 2011 to be held in the Great Hall at 9.00am on Thursday, 17 February.

Martin Lobo

PASTORAL NEWS

THE DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL SERVICES

The Aloysian Faith in Service Program is a very important ‘faith in practice’ experience for our Year 10 and Year 11 students. The Year 11 students should be rapidly approaching the end of their twelve month service and I hope they have been challenged by and gained greatly from the experience. Most Year 11 students should have completed their experience and now just have the Journal and paper work to complete. Mr Mijo Ticinovic, our Youth Minister and Coordinator of the Aloysian Faith in Service Programme, would only be too happy to collect any of the outstanding Journals and paper work from the students. The current Year 10 students will be informed about the program and its requirements later in the term, during one of the evenings of the Year 10 Retreat. Just recently an organisation called the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine contacted the College to enquire if any Year 10 students would be interested in teaching Scripture to neutral Bay primary School students. This would be a wonderful interactive opportunity for the Year 10 students. Some boys have already volunteered but we would love more boys to consider this service. The students would be working in pairs and interacting with students from Kindergarten to Year 4. They would be trained to teach the young students about aspects of the Bible and prayer. I feel this is an excellent example of the type of service we want the boys to experience. Challenging the Year 10 students to think about their own beliefs and values and to explore their creativity in delivering the Good News to others is a wonderful opportunity for them to put their faith into practice. Interested Year 10 students are asked to contact me in the Richie Fernando Centre.

The following reflection and prayer are part of a commentary by Patricia Thomas, a consultant for the Sydney CEO, who presented at last year’s Staff Reflection Day. I thought it very relevant to those Year 10 students who will play an important role in shaping the faith development of the young through prayer and scripture reading.

Let your light shine before others,  
so they may see your good works 
and give glory to your Father in heaven

Matthew 5:13-16

The greatest gift we can give is to bring each other into the ‘light circle’ of our prayer, extending soul care towards others. Someone once said that when you pray beside a flower it grows faster! When we bring prayerful presence to people, places and things, we shine beautifully. A prayerful presence alters everything, mind, heart and body. Prayer is about blessing and making holy all in God’s world, in which we are privileged to walk through.

The ‘Set aside’ Prayer

Lord, help us to set-aside everything we think we know about You. everything we think we know about ourselves everything we think we know about others, and everything we think we know about growth in faith and life in love.

For a new experience in God, Father, Son and Spirit, a new experience in myself a new experience in others

and a much needed new experience of the wonder and delight in all that there is, the ‘Good News’ about God and us!

Amen

Year 12 Family Mass

The Year 12 Family Mass and Supper is fast approaching on 20 February at 6.00pm. This is the last family Mass we celebrate with your son while he is here as a student at the College and it is always a wonderful event. We look forward to seeing you here for this celebration.

Year 9 Camp

A letter will be sent home to Year 9 parents detailing changes to the format of the Camp for this year, especially if your son is a Cadet. Please make sure you receive this via your son’s hands.

CANISIUS CENTRE OF IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

Tel: 94884524 Email: canisius@cis.jesuit.org.au

For those wishing to learn more about Ignatian Spirituality please find below the Programme, for February and March, for courses offered at the Canisius Centre of Ignatian Spirituality.

FEBRUARY 2011 PROGRAMME

Matthew’s Gospel

“This liturgical year, Matthew’s gospel will be read at Mass. It is a gospel of presence, a gospel of church, a gospel of prayer, and a gospel of promise, baptizing the world into a future beyond telling” Joseph O’Hanlon, The Tablet 8 Jan 2011

Every Saturday from 5 Feb-12 Mar 2011, from 10.00am-11.30am, Fr Guy Carlson SJ, will open up the riches of Matthew’s gospel and lead a discussion.

Book your place with Christine on 9488 4524 or online at canisius@cis.jesuit.org.au ($10 per session)

Praying With Scripture

This series introduces us to the Christian tradition of prayer that traces its growth from the early Mothers & Fathers of the desert, through the Benedictines, to the Franciscans, and the Jesuits. It introduces us with ways to pray the Word of God, and grow in our personal relationship with God. (Father, Son & Holy Spirit)

The series begins on Sat 12 Feb, 9.30am-3.30pm with a reflection on the Slow Reading of Scripture. Guy Yeomans will give input based on St Luke’s gospel and Brendan Byrne’s book “The Hospitality of God”. There will be time for reflection as a group, and time for individual silent meditation. ($65 live-out)

Progress In Divine Love - Retreat in Daily Life, or Retreat at Home

The purpose of this retreat at home is to help people bridge the spiritual journey from prayers & devotions to praying formally. Each day you will pray for 30-40 minutes on the material provided. You will need to find a quiet room at home, an uninterrupted time, simply to be with God and grow in this relationship.
Please note that the Year co-ordinator and class parent briefing at the College Oval has changed (see notes below).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Year Co-ordinator and class parent Briefing – Tuesday 15 February at the College Oval at 7.00pm: Year co-ordinators should have received an email detailing the evening. Please email P&F if you have not received one.

Year 12 Mass and Supper – 20 February: Mass commencing at 6.00pm in the Boys’ Chapel followed by supper at Wyalla. Please be aware that the costing is $25.00 per person and $25.00 per boy. We apologise if there seems to be some confusion over this.

The Blessing and Opening of Dalton Hall & 2011 P&F Commencement Cocktail Party – 26 February: 6.00pm Dalton Hall then 7.00pm Senior School Courtyard for Cocktail Party. Our major P&F function, this is popular with all our parents and a must for our new parents. Invitations were included in our mailout. Please deposit your RSVP slip and payments in the P&F boxes in Junior School or Senior School. A night not to be missed!

Volunteers are also sought for pouring drinks at the bar during the Commencement Cocktail party. No experience is required and you will find this an easy and sociable task. Timeslots are available between 6:00pm and 10:30pm. Please email Bryan Jenkins at pandf@stalloysius.nsw.edu.au.

NOTICES

Craft Group – Craft group has started. We look forward to seeing you from 10:00am to 12:00noon at the College Oval and will run each Tuesday during the school term at the same place/time. Everyone is welcome to attend and it would be great to see some new faces. Please either bring along your craft project or just come along for coffee and a chat. Sometimes we will also take on craft type projects for the school and/or particular causes. If you have any questions please feel free to call Jane Chapple on 0407 219 213.

Michael Morgan
President

DIARY DATES

14 February Year 5 & 6 Ignatian Evening 8.00pm – 9.00pm [Miguel Pro Playhouse]
15 February Year Co-ordinators Briefing 7.00pm [College Oval]
20 February Year 12 Mass & Supper, Mass 6.00pm [Chapel and Wyalla]
26 February Blessing and Opening of Dalton Hall 6.00pm [Dalton Hall]
P&F Commencement Cocktail Party 7.00 – 9.30pm [Courtyard]
21 February Year 7-11 Ignatian Evening 8.00pm – 9.30pm [Miguel Playhouse]

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President Michael Morgan 0419 679 591
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Vice President/Pastoral Care Anita Lee 0413 946 581
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Assistant Secretary Ann & Alex Paton 0412 250 551
Treasurer Justin Van Deventer 0402 842 136
Assistant Treasurer Cate & Greg Russell 0405 100 463
Prayer Group Co-ordinator Edwin Liptan 0410 463 517

THE PARENTS’ & FRIENDS’ ASSOCIATION

Thanks to the Junior School for the beautiful liturgy for the New Parents’ Mass. We hope the new parents felt welcomed and enjoyed the warmth (in more ways than one) our community has when it comes together to celebrate Mass. Thank you again to the parent volunteers who helped at the morning tea. We could not do it without you!

THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY

THE PARENTS’ & FRIENDS’ ASSOCIATION

Sale of 2nd hand revision / study guides for Year 12

There is a selection of 2nd hand revision / study guides which will be available for the current Year 12 to purchase on Tuesday 22 February at lunchtime in room W178. Bring cash or cheques made payable to “SAC Book Sale”. Most guides priced between $5 and $20.

Enquiries to
Paula Nicholson 0425 209 562
Annette Spooner 0418 497 658

Chris Gould

“Parents of Boys New to the Senior School”

In last week’s Gonzagan, Mr Gould referred to New Parents/Tutor Meetings taking place during the week beginning 14 February. During that week your son’s tutor will contact you by phone to touch base and discuss the role of the tutor. As stated last week, tutors play a significant pastoral role in your son’s development at the College. Tutor groups comprise 14-17 boys from Years 7 to 12 and meet just after recess on Tuesday’s and Thursday’s in Week One and on Thursdays in Week Two. If you have any questions regarding the Tutor System please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Margaret Loomes
Head of Student Formation

A meeting will be held on Sunday 20 Feb at Canisius at 3.00pm. This will enable you to receive the material for the retreat and directions how to use it. On Friday 25 Feb, there will be an opportunity at Canisius for Retreatants to share their experience with a Spiritual Director. ($60 live-out)

Progress In Divine Love 1: “Remembering Love” will begin on Sunday 20 Feb at Canisius at 3.00pm

Progress In Divine Love 2: “Dwelling in Love” will begin on Sunday 27 Feb at 3.00pm at Canisius.

Progress In Divine Love 3: “Love at Work” will begin on Sunday 20 Mar at 3.00pm at Canisius.

MARCH 2011 PROGRAMME

Living The Beatitudes

This series begins on Friday 11 Mar 9.30am-2.00pm. Discover how to make them a reality in your life. Come to one of these reflection days or come to them all. The series is especially for people living or working at home. Mothers’ groups may be interested. ($45 live-out, Bring your own lunch)

The Spirituality Of Motherhood

Sally Longley will present “The Spirituality of Motherhood”. A retreat specifically created for mothers. A chance to experience the felt presence of God amid the demands of ‘little people’. Wednesday 23 Mar 9.30am-2.30pm: ($55 live-out)

30-Day Spiritual Exercises Of St Ignatius

Sabbatical time or Long-service Leave time may be the ideal opportunity to make a live-in 30-day retreat; an opportunity to review your life. Sometimes there is a major decision to be made in your life; the 30-day retreat gives you an environment of prayerful silence, peaceful generosity and ever-growing relationship with God.

The disposition required for this retreat is that you are familiar with formal prayer, that you have made shorter 6 or 8 day retreats before, and that you have experience of spiritual direction.

The 30-day retreat begins before dinner on Thursday 3 Mar 2011, and ends after breakfast on Monday 4 Apr.

Application to Christine on 94884524 or at caniuscis@cis.jesuit.org.au for application forms.

($2,970.00 live-in) Deposit $297.00 to be paid on acceptance.
The following parents have kindly offered their services in the Senior School Canteen for the week commencing 14 February:

**Monday** Jane Brennan, Louise Shanahan, Sella Stuntz, Ioana Voyage
**Tuesday** Catherine Franklin, Lynda Lee, Rina Moore
**Wednesday** Kathy Liew, Fiona May, Karineh Sabagian, Carolyn Tonkin
**Thursday** Francine Collins, Deb Jansson, Anne Rowbotham
**Friday** Carolyn Kingston, Anita Lyons, Paula Nicholson, Joanne Pastega, Sarah Trigg

Nadia Lorenzutta
Canteen Manager

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**THE JUNIOR SCHOOL CANTEEN**

Welcome to St Aloysius’ College Junior School Canteen

An introduction to the canteen, *Aloysius Delicious*: A really warm welcome to all new parents at St Aloysius’ College Junior School. We hope that one of the highlights of Aloys for your son will be the Junior School canteen! The canteen has a focus on healthy and fun eating. The attractive menu combines food which we know the boys love with healthy and fresh ingredients. There are recess snacks and lunches for every taste, with daily specials freshly made here at the school.

Every term there are special fun food days which have a theme, for example a particular nationality, or “street food” and, most popular of all, Halloween food with chopped-off fingers, frogs’ eyes and other ghoulish delights. The canteen is open for recess and lunch on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

**Playing a part in the canteen:** The canteen is run by a canteen co-ordinator, Mary Vevers, and a wonderful group of volunteers who sign up for a roster. We would love to have you join us - volunteering for a session in the canteen is a great way of meeting new parents and playing a part in the school life of your son and his mates. The canteen is well organised and great fun to be part of.

**Ordering food for your son:** The best way to order food is online at www.flexischools.com.au—this way you know what your son is getting and have no need to worry about cash. You can also order on the day by writing your order on a paper bag, with your son’s name, and putting the money in the bag and have him place it in the orders basket. At recess, everything can also be purchased for cash across the counter or you can pre-order if you wish. At lunchtime, some items (drinks and snacks) are also available across the counter, although lunches need to be pre-ordered on line or on the day.

**Treats for the birthday boys:** You can celebrate your son’s birthday and make him super popular by ordering a platter of cakes for him and his class. Drop in an envelope on the preceding canteen day with your order and we will make sure it has been baked and ready for him and his class the day after. In the weeks leading up to your son’s birthday, we will have a special birthday cake tray for you to order.

**Getting in touch:** The canteen roster is organised by volunteer Liz Laukka and you can contact her on laukka8@bigpond.com. Mary Vevers, the canteen co-ordinator, can be contacted on mary@vevers.com.au or just pop in to the canteen.

Mary Vevers
Canteen Co-ordinator (mary@vevers.com.au)

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**THE UNIFORM SHOP**

The Uniform Shop operates Tuesday and Friday from 8.00am to 3.00pm during school term.

**Additional trading hours:** Friday 11 Feb 8.00am-3.30pm

**Embroidery of Award Colour on a Monthly Basis:** For those who have honoured the award colour, please bring in your senior blazer with forms on the last Tuesday of the month during school term at the Uniform Shop.

**Senior Blazer Fitting:** @$210(sizes available from 16 to 26).
Please ask your son in Year 11 to come to the uniform shop before end of February for senior blazer fitting which is needed by Term 2 & 3, so that sufficient orders can be placed. For those who need special fitting, we need this done as soon as possible

Bob Stewart Credit Accounts: I urge that, if you have not yet opened a Credit Account with Bob Stewart, kindly please do so; as it helps to process transactions much faster and gets the boys back to their classes. For more information, please go on to the College website, under Uniform Shop, to download the form. If you do not wish to open a Credit Account, please obtain a form of payment for your son to make a purchase.

*If you would like to send your son to the shop for a uniform purchase, we are happy to fit him for your convenience. If you are not satisfied with sizing, you are welcome to exchange as long as the swing tag is attached, original packaging accompanied, and it hasn’t been worn and labelled – socks are non-exchangeable and non-refundable due to hygiene reasons. We accept cash, cheques (payable to “Bob Stewart Pty Ltd”), credit cards (Visa, Mastercard, Amex), EFTPOS or Bob Stewart Credit Account.*

Irene Lau
Supervisor (staloysius@bobstewart.com.au / 9955 4193)

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**CO-CURRICULAR NEWS**

CAS sport resumed last Saturday with games against Trinity Grammar, in very hot and testing conditions for all players involved. The highlights on the weekend were the Friday night games of basketball in the new Dalton Hall complex, along with the outstanding results in both cricket and tennis throughout the age groups.

A huge crowd packed Dalton Hall to watch the 1sts and 2nds basketball teams play Trinity. The 1sts started fantastically in their game, leading 8-0 early, courtesy of some great play from Dan Ferrari. Trinity responded quickly to dominate the end of the first quarter and early stages of the second quarter. However the 1sts matched it with Trinity until half-time and we went to the break leading 23-22. Trinity showed their class in the third quarter with deadly shooting while we failed to convert opportunities. Trinity ran out very deserving winners (64-41), maintaining their unbeaten record which now spans over three seasons. Best players for the 1sts included Captain Luke Spano, Fabian Krstlovec and Dan Ferrari. Our 2nds came from behind to get within three points of Trinity late in the game but eventually lost 25-37. It was a huge improvement on their Term 4 performance of last year when beaten 30-67 by Trinity. In other Opens games, the 7ths won their fixture 32-26.

The 10As lost very narrowly 33-35 but the Bs won their game 38-17. Our 9s were our most successful age group with four wins out of the six games played. Well done to the As (55-30), Bs (39-29), Cs (29-23) and Fs (35-8) on their successes. In the 8s, our only successful team six games played. Well done to the As (55-30), Bs (39-29), Cs (29-23) and Fs (35-8) on their successes. In the 8s, our only successful team was the Ds (23-18). The 7s had mixed success. The As struck an excellent Trinity outfit and went down 31-50. The Bs (25-24) and Ds (23-18) were winners.

In cricket, the 1sts won their fifth CAS match of the season, defeating Trinity at Trinity. The 1sts won the toss and batted first, hitting 223 with Dom Thompson scoring 70 and Grant Jansson 56 runs. Both boys were involved in a match winning 125 run partnership. Trinity in reply were 8/199 at the end of their completed overs. Luke Vevers snared 3/36 and Mitchell Wood chipped in with 2/25. The win leaves the team in second place behind the unbeaten Knox who we play this week. The 2nds too enjoyed success at the College Oval. In a reduced 30 over game, our 2nds scored 148 runs with openers Dom Ellis and Matt Gall contributing a 49 run
Trinity was too strong in CAS Round 6 chess matches. Year 11 student Frederick Giannone managed to draw his match but all other students were unsuccessful.

Boys will receive this week, seasons draws for the next four weeks. This weekend, the College plays Knox Grammar in CAS Round 7 matches. The 1sts cricket fixture particularly holds much significance with both top teams playing for possible premiership honours. Good luck to all sporting teams this weekend.

Paul Rowland
Distribution of notes regarding sport
As you would be aware besides from sporting information there are a lot of notifications being sent home with your son this term. Like any start of something new, information is sent out and in some cases information can be required to be returned. For sport there are general release notes (delivered to your son’s class) where his class teacher will hand these out prior to dismissal. If your son is away that day it is normally placed in his desk. Spare copies of these notes are found on the note rack at reception.

For more specific notes, these are advertised at line up after recess and he may be required to go and see the person responsible if he wants or needs to take a note home. I encourage the boys here to read the sporting notes that I send home as they are the ones who are running, swimming etc and need to know where they have to be and what time. When notes are handed out at line up it is your son’s responsibility to see the teacher to collect the note that concerns them.

A recent example being the Dalton Hall Swimming Program, these notes were advertised to the boys on Thursday and Friday of Week 1 and boys were told to come to my office to collect one if they were interested. New SAC families were also told on Orientation day about this program, as well as being printed in the school calendar prior to day 1 of this term. Boys who could not find me during class time came to see me at recess, lunch and afterschool. It is unacceptable to have parents ring up Mrs Edwards at the front desk and ask her to deliver one to their son’s class because he failed to follow instructions. Mrs Edwards has a very tough job, especially during Term 1 and it for this very reason that there is a note distribution policy in place.

If your son fails to bring a note home regarding something you have read in this column then question him and request he see the person responsible to collect one. Likewise emails to me requesting the same information can be required to be returned. For sport there are general release notes (delivered to your son’s class) where his class teacher will hand these out prior to dismissal. If your son is away that day it is normally placed in his desk. Spare copies of these notes are found on the note rack at reception.

Notes sent home with your son via his class teacher in Week 2:
• 2011 Trial information
• 2011 Summer Sport training timetable
Notes sent home with your son via his class teacher this week:
• 2011 Summer sports draw for Cricket, Basketball And Tennis
• 2011 Wet Weather contact list
• Cross Country information package for all boys

Cross Country Training
In preparation for our school carnival there will be some training sessions offered for those boys who are interested. Boys arrive at school in PE gear for these training sessions and change into their school uniform after training. All boys from year 3 to 6 welcome.

Cross Country Program
Week 3 Cross Country Training for any students
Monday & Thursday morning
7.15am-8.15am Meet @ school
Week 4 Cross Country Training for any students
Monday & Thursday morning
7.15am-8.15am Meet @ school
Week 5 School Cross Country Carnival
Tuesday 22 February 12-2.30pm

With the Cross Country Carnival this term your son will run in a qualifying event (1.2km time trial) during his PE class to see which course he has qualified for. The Championship course will see the boys running over the Sydney Harbour Bridge, up onto Cahill Expressway finishing at the Tarpeian Way gate which overlooks the Sydney Opera House Forecourt.

Those boys who did not qualify to compete in the championship event across the Harbour Bridge will be running in a shorter cross country course (school event) at Bradfield Park at the same time as above event is running. After lunch all boys are to walk down to Bradfield Park Plaza where they wait for their age group to run. Mr Coventry will look after this School Event at Bradfield and only names need to be recorded for newsletter purposes. Ribbons and house points will be given out on the day similar to the championship event.

The championship carnival is used to select the cross-country team that will represent St Aloysius College Junior School at the IPSHA cross-country, which is scheduled for the Saturday, 26 March.

Bradfield Park School Event
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Swimming Photos
For those parents who wish to order the photos from the swimming carnival please log on to the following website and follow these steps. There are some great shots of boys in action etc
Got to www.alphotos.com.au
Select viewing & ordering
Select St Aloysius Junior School
Username: aloysius
Password: junior

Trevor Dunne
PUBLIC SPEAKING  

All boys interested in representing the College in competitions this year should attend coaching sessions, currently to be held on **Thursday afternoons from 3.30pm–4.30pm in The Bellarmino.**

All Year finalists for the *Art of Speech Competition – Richard Hockey Trophy* should consider involvement.

Training will focus on preparation for the competitions already advertised: **CSDA, Rostrum and Lawrence Campbell Oratory.**

Magar Etmekdjian

THE ALOYSIAN 2009

This publication was distributed near the conclusion of last term. Every student who was at the College in 2009 is entitled to a copy.

Copies can be collected from the College Reception in the Senior School.

Magar Etmekdjian

Editor

SWIMMING NEWS

Welcome back to Term 1 swimming 2011. Training in the new pool at Dalton Hall has been most exciting for the swim team. Training is on each weekday morning from 6.00am. Swimmers are encouraged to get to as many sessions as possible in the lead up to the CAS Championships. The dates for all Carnivals in Term 1, 2011 are listed below, it is important that each member of the swim team is present at each of these carnivals prior to CAS. The CAS Series Meet is on 18 February at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre at 6.00pm. This meet will be used to assist with the selection of the CAS team. All swimmers must attend and time trial if they wish to be a part of the CAS Team. A bus will depart Bradfield Park at 4.00pm to transport swimmers to Homebush. Swimmers will be expected to make their own way home.

The Redlands swimming Carnival is on 19 February – only a small swim team will be selected for this carnival. Details regarding the Redlands carnival will be placed on the intranet. The Oakhill Carnival will follow allowing for a wider selection of swimmers and race practice for CAS. The Oakhill Invitation Carnival is on Tuesday 22 February at Oakhill College. All race details will be placed on the intranet. A bus will depart Bradfield Park at 3.30pm on 22 February; all swimmers are expected to make their own way home.

Swim breakfasts are continuing this term and this is an excellent chance for the team to come together prior to a swim meet each weekend. If you are able to offer your assistance please contact Miss Erin Hogan (Erin.Webb@staloysius.nsw.edu.au).

Finally the Head of the Harbour is on Sunday 13 March, last year the St Aloysius’ College Team was placed 1st and given the official Title ‘Head of the Harbour’. The event is a 2km open water swim from the steps of the Opera House, swimmers are encouraged to attend to represent their school and attempt to reclaim the title. Students in the swim team can swim individually or as a team. Swimmers interested in competing please contact Miss Hogan.

Swimming Dates Term 1 2011

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Erin Hogan

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WATER POLO NEWS

Vs Trinity

Last Saturday saw Trial matches against Trinity at a very sunny Ashfield Pool. With 4 players competing in the NSW U/18 Water Polo tournament, our Firsts were bound to struggle and they did. Having said that the boys only went down 3-4 to Trinity and had the Aloys’ boys been fitter and less prone to fumbling the ball, the result would have been very different. Antony Peronace performed well in goals and Rhys Thompson and Matt Jepson showed moments of brilliance in attack.

Marcus Anderson, Ciaran Wollohan and Paul Sindone playing for Wests won the NSW u/18 Water polo Championships defeating Newcastle in the final 14-11. In the final, Paul scored 6 goals and Ciaran scored 3. Paul Sindone was awarded Most Valuable Player of the tournament. Marcus Anderson, Ciaran Wollohan and Paul Sindone were later selected in the NSW u/18 team to contest the u/18 National Championships in Queensland in April.

Our Seconds played their hearts out to narrowly defeat Trinity 7-6. Quite a few boys backed up from the Firsts game and all boys certainly lifted their play this week. Matthew Velcic, Daniel Agius, Sam Diamant and Antony Peronace all deserve special mentions for their excellent play.

The 14s and 16s teams all played well in the extreme heat. The 14s experiencing victory while the 16s were defeated closely in both matches.

At Scots’ Pool the 13s had their first match of the season and for the majority of them it was their first game ever. We scored first, but lost 9-6 to Waverley. The objective was to give everyone playing time. With 17 boys that was a challenge, but most boys got close to 2 quarters. The boys will play in 2 teams this weekend Aloys’ Gold and Aloys’ Blue and will all receive more pool time.

Margaret Loomes

MIC
Volleyball v Trinity

The Firsts lost their first match of the season on Saturday to a well-trained Trinity side. Our firsts put up a good fight with some excellent blocking by Mark Shepard and Ben Crompton.

Alex Emery worked very well with the starting group and hustled to get touches on every ball.

The firsts were very close in each set, and had a heartbreaking loss in the second set – with Trinity coming back from a 21-24 deficit to win 27-25. The firsts will work harder this week to regain their form as they prepare for the rest of the season.

It was a disappointing beginning to the 2011 summer season. Similar to the Firsts, the Seconds were defeated in their match. After winning the opening set in a confident manner, concentration waned at critical moments in the second set and the match was decided in a tight deciding set. Best players on the day were Andrew Edwards and Xavier Murray.

The Thirds also were defeated by Trinity in their match. Inconsistency in serving proved to be the difference between the two teams. However there were confident passages of play that augurs well for the remaining matches this season. Best players were Lewis Pointing and Dimitri Farmarkis.

Jen Zongor
1sts Coach

Mark Gair
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SENIOR SCHOOL SPORTS DRAWS

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All waterpolo teams have a bye on 19/2/11.
Communicating with Teens
Child & Adolescent Parenting
Northern Sydney Local Health Network
Enquiries: Phone 9887 5830

Communicating with Teens Course
- influence your teenager's behaviour
- understand the stages of development of teenagers
- feel more comfortable with your teenager's highs and lows
- keep lines of communication open between you and your teenager
- cope with your own and your teenager's anger in a constructive way
- learn how to get your point across and also listen to your teenager's point of view
- learn how to resolve "issues" between your teenager and yourself and still keep the relationship intact
- ...... plus more ideas on how to build relationships - what works and what doesn't work!

COURSE VENUE: CHATSWOOD 5wks/2.5hrs
When: Wednesday, 9th March, 2011 (7.00pm - 9.30pm)
COST: $150 per person Concession: $125 per person

Dealing With Teen's Back Chat Workshop
VENUE: CHATSWOOD
When: Wednesday, 2nd March, 2011 - 7.00pm – 9.30pm - $40 per person

Triple P (PPP) Teens Seminar Series
available on request – to organise these or for details of Workshops/Seminars scheduled for this term, phone 9887-5830

TO ENROL, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM

(Teens – Term 1)

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COURSE □ WORKSHOP □

CONCESSION CARD NUMBER MUST BE QUOTED IN ORDER TO RECEIVE CONCESSION. Concession No. ..................................................
NSCCCH employees ONLY: (20% discount) Department & Hospital ..................................................
Pay Money Order/ Cheques to ‘Northern Local Health Network and post to: Child & Adolescent Parenting, PO box 142, North Ryde 1670 OR fax 9887 2941.

Credit Card: ........................................................ Master Card □ Visa Card □ AMOUNT: $ ..................................................

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Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting - 9887 5830
Thought for the week:
“What you leave behind is not what is engraved on stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others.” Pericles (495 – 429 BC) Greek statesman, orator and general.

Information Received This Week

16 Feb – 6 April: 4.00pm to 6.30pm on Wednesday for 8 weeks Young Filmmakers’ Course (for students 14–18 yrs.) – at Turramurra Youth Service, Ray Street near entrance of Turramurra Library) Contact youth@kme.nsw.gov.au Phone: 9424 0981 Cost $80. Only 10 places available.

SPECIAL EVENTS
Thu 17 February – 5.00pm–7.00pm at Wenona Gymnasium (enter via 255 Miller St, North Sydney)

First Your Career Focus evening of 2011. Topic “It’s the LAW!”

Ray Martin will host the evening and there is an amazing expert panel – Dr Simon Longstaff. Mrs Catherine Davison, Prof Jane McAdam. Ms Kylie Virtue, Ms Edwina Sinclair and Ms Penny Crofts. It is essential to confirm your intention to attend by emailing me with your full name and year at deirdre_agnew@staloysius.nsw.edu.au by Tues 15 Feb at very latest. Places are limited as five other Lower North School Schools participate in this event.

There will be a careers market with representatives from law faculties from a wide range of universities in attendance from 5.00–6.00pm. Many students move into the study of LAW at the end of their first year at university if they do not get the required ATAR at the end of Year 12 – others do graduate LAW. It is essential to be aware of all your options. This night is important not only to Year 12 but to other students and particularly debaters. Parents most welcome too.

Tues 22 Feb – lunchtime in The Bellarmino Alex Crouch (Class of 2009) will talk about his experiences at a Rotary Exchange student to Sweden last year.

The Importance of Planning for your Future

“Doing what you like is Freedom, liking what you do is Happiness.”

Finding a career that brings you satisfaction, challenge and a sense of worth takes time. It really begins long before a student receives a UAC Guide in Term 3 of Year 12. Parents, extended family and friends play a vital role in developing a student’s confidence, positive attitude and wider vision of the future. Young people need to try various sports, co-curricular activities, hobbies and part-time jobs to discover for themselves what their strengths are and where their interests lie. Students need to be encouraged to try new things – there is no shame in a lack of success – it is “better to try and fail than never to try at all.” Remember few people go directly into an ideal job and stay there forever.

Going to university is no guarantee of a good job, a high wage and ultimately success and happiness. Tertiary education is demanding and the competitive entrance requirements/ATARs seem to become stiffer and the fees escalating. However, having a qualification or recognized skill should be the goal of every student at this College.

Skilled tradesmen are highly valued and their scarcity in the future will ensure employment and rich rewards. Whatever you decide to do, aim to be the best at that job. Do more than is expected of you. Don’t be afraid to move out of your familiar role and take chances.

As a firm believer that ‘you only know when you go’ I urge students (and their parents) long before being in Year 12 to visit Open Days at universities, TAFEs, private colleges etc. Only by seeing their facilities, the location, understanding the transport implications involved in getting there, can you begin to make a really wise decision. You need to visit several different campuses before you can compare and really choose. Where you go and study after school is one of your first real adult decisions and it should involve a considerable amount of time and energy and effort if you want to ensure it’s the best choice for you.

Important Dates

Sun 20 Feb – 12.30pm–5.30pm at Sydney University Village, 90 Carillon Ave, Newtown GoKids Seminar for teenagers and parents – looks at financial literacy, understanding how your mind works and how to set goals, finding your passion and using that knowledge to make important life decisions. Cost $30 each or $100 for a family of 4. Register at http://gokidsmakeadifference.eventbrite.com or call 9881 5890 or 0409 223 282

Tue 1 March: “Your Career Focus – Climate Change” at Loreto – details later.

Thu 14 April: 9.30am–3.30pm Sydney Royal Easter Show – special “Careers in Agriculture Expo”

Tue 17 May: “Your Career Focus – Business & Catechships” at Shore – details later.

Wed 18 May: 4.30pm at Sydney Convention Centre - Institute of Chartered Accountants – Talk for Year 12 students about Accounting Catechships – learn about application process, tips on recruitment, build contacts. Students wishing to attend must register online at www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students.

Mon 23 May: 6.00pm–9.00pm University of Notre Dame Darlinghurst Nursing Information Evening

Tue 24 May: 6.00pm– 9.00pm University of Notre Dame Broadway Campus BUSINESS and LAW Information Evening

Wed 25 May: 6.00–8.00pm University of Notre Dame Broadway Campus MEDICINE Information Evening (GRADUATE ENTRY)

Thu 26 May: 6.00–9.00pm University of Notre Dame Broadway Campus Arts & Sciences, Education, Philosophy & Theology Information Evening

Fri 5 Aug: Closing date for students wishing to apply for early offer for 2012 at University of Notre Dame

Wed 24 Aug: 4.30pm at 33 Erskine St, Sydney – Free event for Year 10 and 11 students to meet and network with Chartered Accountants – great opportunity for them to hear about “a day in the life of an accountant” from young cadets. Students wishing to attend must register online at www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students.


The Centre for Continuing Education at the University of Sydney is running intensive HSC Preparation courses in a variety of subjects for Year 12 students who wish to extend their studies and enhance performance in the HSC. The courses will be in Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Economics, English, Exam Preparation, Mathematics, Physics and Study Skills. See http://www.ccc.usyd.edu.au/hsc


US Consulate has created a “Study in the US” tab on the Consulate General’s Facebook page to provide the most up-to-date information on studying over there. Students and parents can become a fan at http://www.facebook.com/sydney.usconsulate

Value of Taking a Gap Year - “The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page” St Augustine.

Plans need to be made soon for 2012 if a student is contemplating taking an organised “Gap” Year as many of these require application before Easter.

Here as some useful websites:

www.gapaustralia.org

www.afs.org.au
www.nzcv.org
www.rotary.org
www.antipodeans.com.au
www.australianvolunteers.com
www.wep.org.au
www.yfa.com.au
www.projects-abroad.com.au
www.wep.org.au
www.larche.org.uk/preston
www.rutorsworldwide.org: application forms available with early April 2011 closing date.
Other organizations worth investigating are EF, Southern Cross Cultural Exchange and Young Endeavour.

The University of Sydney has an interesting article of the benefits of a GAP Year – it can prepare students for uni life and help them clarify what they really want to do – read about the latest research http://www.usyd.edu.au/news/84.html?newsstoryid=5599

Malaysian Gap Year Opportunity - Nexus International School is looking for students to work as boarding staff. Food and accommodation and some pocket money provided. Contact 03 8889 3686 or Schuhert.t@nexus.edu.my or see www.nexus.edu.my

Australian Defence Force Academy Education Award – this is presented annually to Year 12 students in recognition of outstanding achievement exhibited during the recruiting process for entry to ADFA. The award comprises of a laptop computer and certificate for the successful student along with a plaque in recognition of his school and is presented on behalf of the Navy, Army and Air Force to the 120 most suitable applicants who have applied for entry to ADFA. Year 11 students who are interested should go to https://www.defence.gov.au/adaf/applications/education_education.html and see "eligibility requirements". Also see the Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork awards.

UNSW Campus Tours – every Friday at 3.30pm (except 22 April 2011) See www.campus tours.unsw.edu.au This one hour tour gives participants the chance to ask any questions about faculties, student life etc. Guides are highly trained Student Ambassadors with a wealth of knowledge about the university. Registration to attend is essential as group size is limited to 10.

Bond University – now awards a part-fee scholarship to high academic achievers who receive a minimum ATAR 97.8. This scholarship awards 50% tuition remission for any single or combined program (with the exception of MEDICINE) plus $2500 cash bursary. Students who meet the academic requirements of this scholarship are eligible to apply online at www.bond.edu.au/apply. Successful applicants may commence their studies at Bond University in any of their three semesters: January, May or September. Students who graduated from high school in 2009 are also eligible for this scholarship. For more details about the Academic Excellence Scholarship email scholarships@bond.edu.au or phone 07 5595 0103


Life after the HSC – a parents’ guide – Charles Sturt University has prepared a useful article for parents who are helping their children prepare for life after the HSC http://www.csu.edu.au/for/parents
Year 12 Students who are interested in studying Medicine (or some other health science degrees which may require UMAT) may wish to do a UMAT preparation course which can be started now. There is a wide range of these and information can be found on the Internet. Students should begin to research which universities offer Undergraduate Medicine. I strongly recommend that a student who is passionate about such a career path applies to numerous universities both local, interstate and in New Zealand. Wikipedia has a comprehensive list of Australian Medical Schools. Please see me for more assistance.
Australian Apprenticeships Pathways – a good site worth visiting www.aapathways.com.au
Some out-of-Sydney universities do not hold traditional OPEN DAYS – rather they are open to visitors every day! Please always phone ahead to book a campus tour and let them know for which courses/degrees you want information and they can arrange for someone to talk to you and show you around.
Charles Sturt Uni – Phone 1800 334 733
Southern Cross Uni – 1800 626 481
Uni of New England – 1800 818 865
Uni of Wollongong - 1300 367 869

Timetable of Important Events for our Year 12s

Term 1
Applications required for most overseas exchange/Gap programs for 2012
Mon 28 March - Half yearly Year 12 exams begin

Term 2
Applications due for most Accounting cadetships and UTS Bachelor of Accounting scholarship
UMAT (Undergraduate Medical Admissions Test) applications open early April and closes 17 June 2011
Students who wish to apply for most scholarships later in 2011 should start preparing their documentation now

Term 3
Wed 27 July – UMAT
Mon 8 August - HSC Trials begin
2012 UAC GUIDE will be distributed after HSC Trials
University Open Days – mostly held on Saturdays from mid-August to mid-September
UAC application for choice of 9 courses submitted by end of September for a university offer in 2012
Application for College/accommodation for 2012 for any of preferences where it would be required
* Last day of September usual closing date for most scholarships.

Term 4
Wed 12 October – HSC examinations commence
ATARs released *around Thurs 15th December 2011 – students have about a fortnight to change or re-arrange their UAC preferences.
University Main Round offer released *around Wed 18th January 2012
* UAC has not as yet confirmed these dates

It is recommended that all Year 12 students purchase a copy of 2011 U:AC Guide at a cost of $19.95 from a newsagent. In August each student will receive a free copy of the 2012 U:AC Guide which will contain all the latest changes and proposed courses for the following year. Students are asked to bring their 2011 U:AC Guide along to career meetings so that they can make notes as necessary.

Deirdre Agnew
Careers Counsellor (deirdre.agnew@staloysius.nsw.edu.au)
My usual days at the College are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

JESUIT MISSION

Invites applications from suitably qualified and committed people for the position of:

Accountant

Jesuit Mission has an employment opportunity for an accountant to manage the day to day operation of the financial matters in its North Sydney office. The role includes preparation of monthly accounts, BAS returns, Budgets, Board reports and related matters. The role will also include some database management and general administration duties.

The successful applicant will be an outstanding professional with a strong commitment to financial efficiency, effective office procedures and best practice within a not for profit community-based organisation.

An appropriate remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful applicant who will be expected to take up duty immediately.

Applications
For more information please call Edwina or Tas on 99558585
Applications must be forwarded to edwina.mac@jesuitmission.org.au no later than 18 February 2011
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      Alt Prog Mon 28 Nov; Wed 30 Nov - Mon 5 Dec | Your Son in Year 10 Term Three Wed 27 July |
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## Senior School Sports Fixtures & Results

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### Away Venues

Grahame Map Field: Corner of Curagul and Bobbin Head Rd, Turramurra (Curagul Oval)
Gisborne Grounds: Bangalla St, Warrawee
Turramurra Park: Eastern Rd Turramurra
Longford Oval: Yanko Rd West Ryde
Acron Oval: Acron Rd St Ives

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