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From the Board Chair

Nicole Overall Board Chair

2019 marks another milestone in the noble story of St Edmund's: 65 years serving the wider Canberra area.

My part in that journey has been forged over the last decade, with two sons who are now among its more than 11,000 alumni, and as a College Board member for six years. What an honour it is then, to have been appointed as Chair of the longest-operating Catholic secondary school in our region.

Giving an idea of the significance of St Edmund's and its enduring bonds, so many have approached me to share their stories and connections since first it opened its doors in 1954. Others are excited about their future involvement.

This widespread respect for the school, its values, history, and the strength of community, has made my own connection all the stronger.

Our historic record is reflected in our impressive Roll call of "brave and famed men", across varied fields of endeavour, that have and continue to emerge.

Along with many male role models, the female contribution to our College is similarly substantial. One of the more well known is Ms. Patricia Doyle. Retiring after almost 40 years as teacher, mentor and leader, Ms. Doyle continues her involvement as Patron of the Old Boys Association.

Then there's our mums, sisters, grandmothers and numerous other female influences, all positively participating in and to the life of the school in countless ways. I'm very pleased to have the opportunity for an ongoing role in this regard.

I'd like to thank our principal, Mr Zavone, and the staff of St Edmund's, for the work they do every day in creating an environment where young men are encouraged and assisted to be their best selves.

In conjunction with my fellow Board members, I look forward to continuing to work with them over the next three years in achieving further expression of our Vision and Mission.

Finally, I thank you all for your contribution and commitment to our College community. Together, we are Eddies - and let us forever more be.



From the Principal

Joe Zavone College Principal

Semester One was dedicated to the celebration of our 65th anniversary year, being Canberra's oldest continuing Catholic school. We have much to be proud of as a College and as a community, and we have celebrated this through two key events in Semester One.

On Thursday 2 May, the College community celebrated the Feast Day of Blessed Edmund Rice (the actual Feast Day being 5 May). We also took this opportunity to formally celebrate our 65th anniversary. It was a pleasure to once again have the presence of Br Matt McKeon (a former teacher, RE Co-ordinator and Spiritual Director at the College) as well as a number of significant special guests. We had a number of College leaders with Br Bob Wallace (former Headmaster, 1979-1988), Mr Colin Dwyer (former Headmaster, 1995-2004), Mr Peter Fullagar (Principal of St Joseph's Nudgee College in Brisbane and former St Edmund's Principal, 2009-2014), Mr Peter Milligan (Head of Senior School, Canberra Girls Grammar and former St Edmund's Deputy Principal, 2007-2015) and Ms Patricia Doyle (former member of staff, commencing in 1978 and Director of Middle School from 2000-2017). There was certainly a great deal of history as well as many stories in this very distinguished group of former College leaders.

We were also graced with the presence of an extraordinary large group of special guests which speaks volumes of the status and significance of St Edmund's College in the wider Canberra community: Mr Peter Leuenberger (EREA, Deputy Director of Edmund Rice Education Australia and Eastern Region Director), Mr Angus Tulley (Deputy Director of Catholic Education Canberra-Goulburn Archdiocese and Deputy Principal of St Edmund's 2002), Mrs Nichole Overall (Current College Board Chair), Mr Michael Cooney (Board Chair 2014-2019 and old boy), Mrs Lara Kirk (Board Member), Mr John Owens (Board Member), Mr Frank Hansby (former staff member, 1985-2017), Mr Brad Cooney (Principal, St Clare's College), Mr Michael Lee (Principal, St Mary MacKillop College), Mrs Anna Owen (Principal, Canberra Girls Grammar), Mr Paul Scholtens (Secretary, St Edmund's

College Foundation and old boy), Mr Grant Jones (Chair, St Edmund's College Foundation and old boy) and Mrs Louise Zavone (Australian Catholic Bishops Conference; Principal's wife)

We were most fortunate in having Archbishop Christopher Prowse celebrate our Mass along with Monsignor John Woods (old boy), Bishop Pat Power, Retired (old boy) and Fr David Lemewu.

The following members of our community received the Br Matt McKeon Faith and Service Award at the Founder's Day Mass in acknowledgement and celebration of their service to the College community. Staff: Mrs Pauline Mills, Mr Joel Richardson; Students: Eamon McCoola (Year 12, Treacy House), Justin Teng (Year 12, O'Brien House) and Old Boy: Mr Rodney Skvorc (Class of 1989)

Also at the Mass, we acknowledged and celebrated members of staff who have made a significant commitment of service to St Edmund's College. I thank the following members of staff for their dedication to serving our College community and ensuring that our young men experience the very best of all facets of their time here at the College. These members of staff serve as a symbol of continuity and College memory - they are part of the stories and traditions of the College and we celebrate their contributions.

10 years service: Mrs Tracey Brown, Mrs Holly Ellem, Mrs Natalie Janes, Mr Joel Richardson, Mr Xiaotao Wang

15 years service: Mrs Maree Ford, Mr Justin Giteau, Mr Nigel Palfreman, Mrs Sue Dowling

Over 15 years service: Mr Laurie Sims

20 years service: Mr Norman Foskett

35 years service: Mr Peter Langford

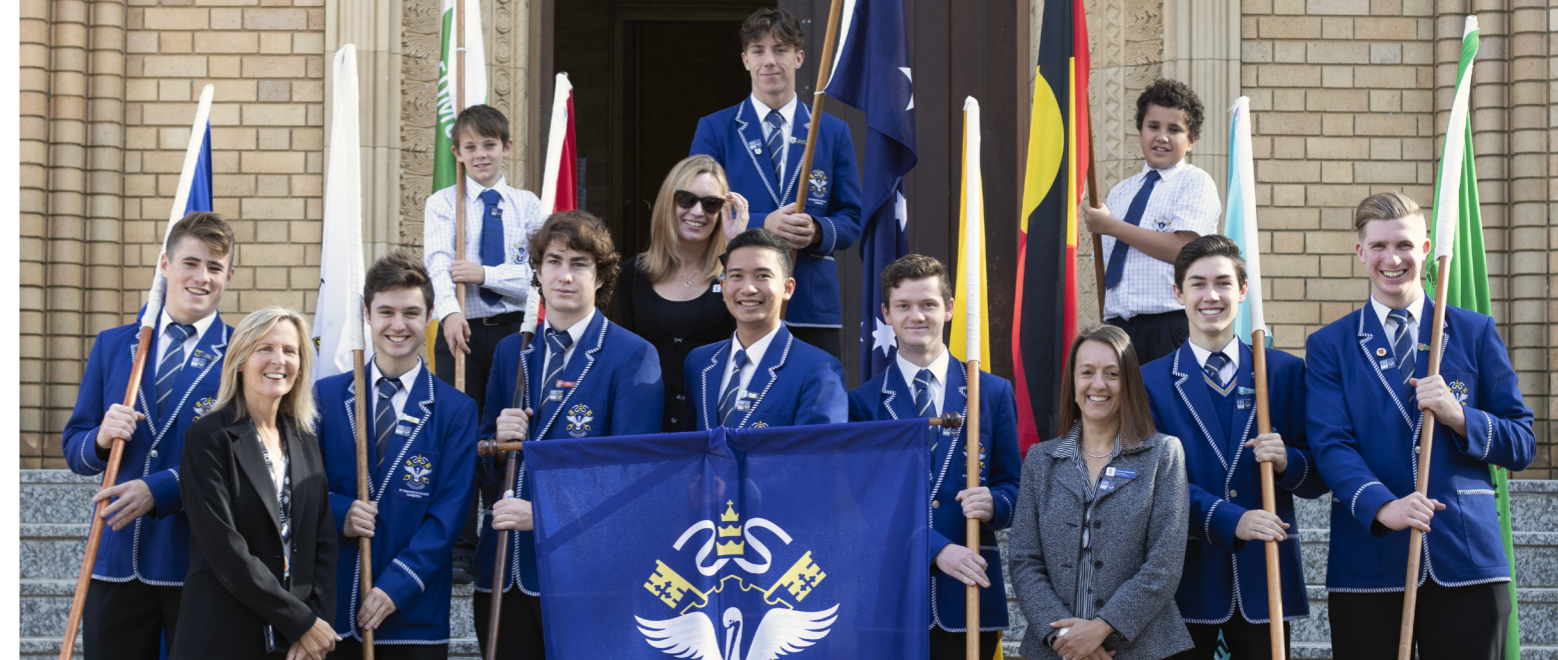


and a special mention to former member of staff Mr Frank Hansby who had provided a service of 32 years by the time he retired in 2017.

The Mass was followed by an afternoon of market stalls and activities back at the College. There was a festive feeling in the air as our boys tried their hand at a number of games and filled their tastebuds with hot dogs, chips, sausage sizzles and the like. The day culminated in the House Tug-o-war which was won by Haydon House. Our 65th anniversary event was made even more memorable by the exemplary behaviour of our boys throughout the day. The boys participated in Mass in a respectful, reverent and graceful manner (and they actually sang!), and this fine behaviour continued back at school. Many staff members commented that this year's Founder's Day was one of the best they have experienced, and this certainly comes down to the positive behaviour, attitude and energy of our students, and the way in which they wholeheartedly participated in all events throughout the day, from morning to afternoon. Our boys really showed the spirit and character of what it is to be an Eddies boy! Our students and staff were presented with a special commemorative 65th anniversary badge to mark the day.

The celebrations continued on Friday, 17 May with the Blue and White Ball, held at the Hellenic Club. This event reflected very strongly and clearly the strong spirit of community we have here at St Edmund's. The number of people attending the ball increased more than 100% from last year, and we had a very large number of old boys attending, including John Barilaro, Deputy Premier of NSW, leader of the Nationals and State Member for Monaro. It was indeed a fabulous night with good food, great music and even greater company. We look forward to the continued success of future Blue and White Balls. A tangible measure of a good school is the strength of its community, as it is the community of a school which forms its culture and identity. This year's Blue and White Ball certainly demonstrated that the St Edmund's community is strong, healthy and committed to the care of every young man attending this College. The 65th anniversary of the College was celebrated in a truly appropriate manner.

On Monday, 17 June I had the pleasure of launching our new Vision and Mission Statement to our staff. The Vision and Mission statements of any organisation provide a focal point that helps to align all members of the organisation's community with the organisation, ensuring that everyone is working towards a single purpose. Our new Vision and Mission statement emerged from a working team of the College Board, the College Leadership Team and interested members of staff. I am confident that these statements provide a very clear direction for the College and clarify our identity, i.e. who we are as a faith-based, community minded educational organisation with the core business of educating and caring for young men.



Our new Vision and Mission Statement:

St Edmund's College is a dynamic Catholic all boys school, an inclusive educational community committed to living the message of Jesus Christ. We educate and develop boys into young men according to the values and experiences of a Catholic education in the Edmund Rice tradition.

OUR VISION Vibrant Spirit. Strong Character. Tailored Learning.

Our Vision at St Edmund's College is to develop boys into young men of strong character, by building a spirit of ...

- GROWTH through Liberating Education.
- HOPE through Gospel Spirituality.
- BELONGING through Inclusive Community.
- SERVICE through Justice and Solidarity.

OUR MISSION

Our Mission is to provide a quality Catholic education in the Edmund Rice tradition by ...

- Promoting the highest levels of personal achievement in education.
- Bringing the light of Christ to every student.
- Recognising, nurturing and celebrating the God given qualities of every member of our community.
- Promoting opportunities for service to the community and to each other.

We are looking at changing the format of The Pelican publication to allow more focus on the old boys and alumni of the College. This is a great way of keeping our old boys in touch with each other and sharing their stories of the College and of their pathways upon leaving the College. We will still feature some regular College events, but hopefully, The Pelican will become a means by which our alumni can develop a stronger network and a better connection to the College.



Founder's Day Mass and 65 Years

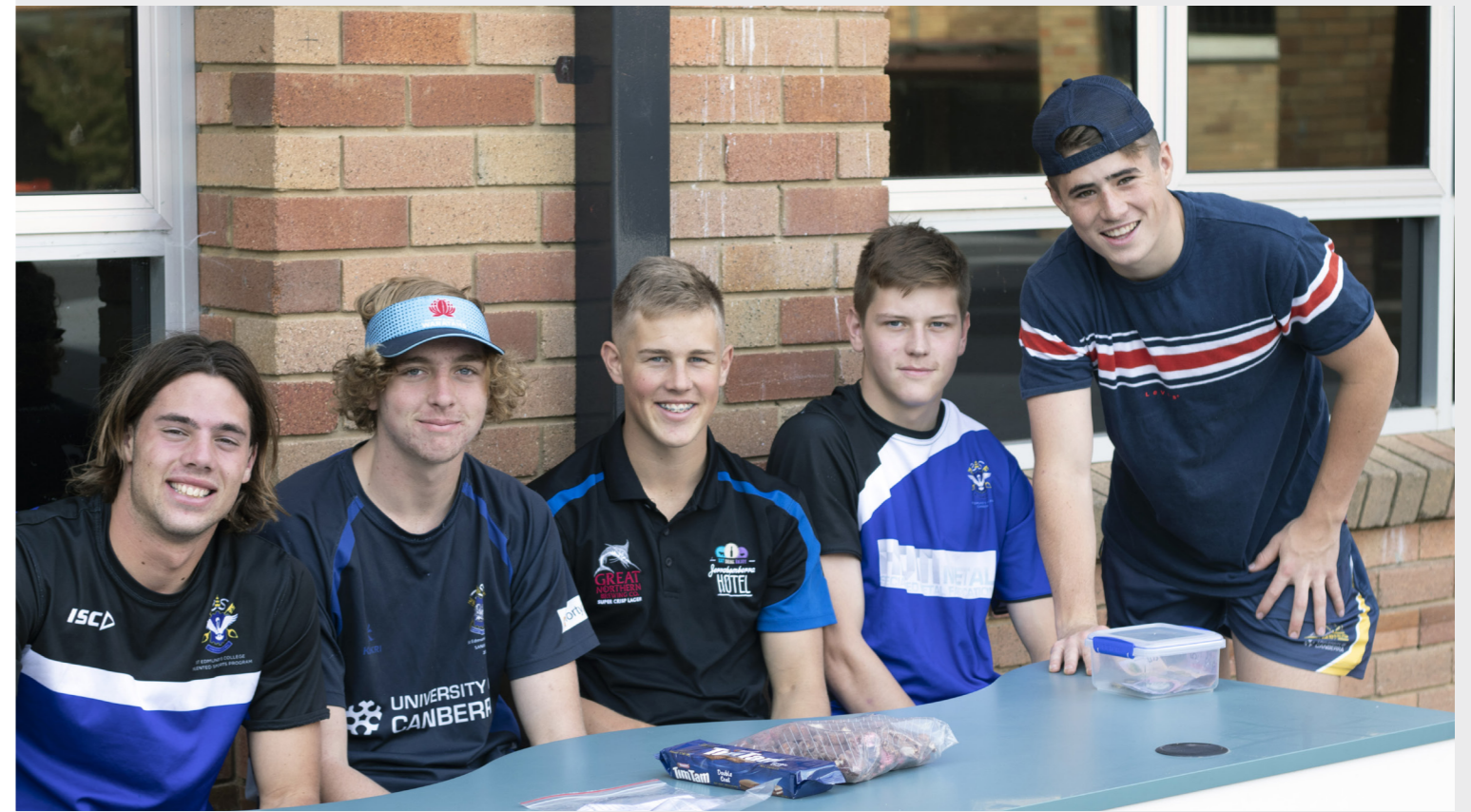
Carmela Wilson

Our Founder's day Mass was a significant and memorable celebration this year. We were not only celebrating our identity as a school but acknowledging 65 years of Catholic education for boys in Canberra. This momentous event saw special recognition of years of service for staff as well as our annual 'Brother Matt McKeon Faith and Service Awards'. The recipients for these awards have embodied the spirit and charisma of Blessed Edmund Rice during their time at the College, as a student or as a member of the community, who have contributed greatly to St Edmund's College. The recipients were:

- Staff: Joel Richardson and Pauline Mills
- Parent: Rodney Skvorc
- Students: Justin Teng and Eamon McCoola

These awards were presented by Br Matt McKeon who faithfully served our community for many years. Our Mass was celebrated by Archbishop Christopher Prowse and we began with 'Christ be our light' which echoes our school motto, Christus Lux Mea which has been uttered by thousands of young men for 65 years. Monsignor John Woods and Bishop Pat Power also celebrated and both have been a part of the St Edmund's fabric for many years, including as a student themselves.

The Founder's Day Mass was an opportunity to share our story, to recognise how we have grown and to celebrate the rich and dynamic community we belong to here at St Edmund's College.



Founder's Day Activities

Leanne Gair Assistant Principal Student Wellbeing (Acting)

A loud and proud tradition at St Edmund's College Canberra. Each year, the staff and students of St Edmund's College Canberra look forward to celebrating Founder's Day. It is a day entrenched in rich tradition, where we continue to grow in deeper knowledge, respect and appreciation of the intrinsic worth of our founder, Edmund Ignatius Rice. It is a day our community dedicates itself to showing an outward expression of gratitude for the Christian Brothers who worked tirelessly with Edmund Rice to build schools which had a strong commitment to working for those at the margins. We look for opportunities to celebrate the way we, some 65 years later are continuing to 'live out' this legacy of love, compassion, dignity and empathy.

We began the day in a reverend manner by taking the entire school community to St Christopher's Cathedral. It was a beautiful Mass, and the strong sense of belonging and pride was evident in the way the College choir and current student body joined in the singing of our traditional hymns that echoed loudly into the surrounding streets. The visual displays showcasing aspects of the school history and culture were also a highlight, as was having special guests such as past Principals and Brothers join us for this special celebration.

The afternoon was filled with demonstrations of quality leadership and teamwork from our current students. Each House group was responsible for organising and running fund raising activities. The focus was on providing and sharing a community lunch for no less than 750 people.

The smell of delicious food wafting through the quad, and students all sitting together to share a meal was a moment to treasure. Our competitive spirit kicked into gear after lunch with a series of sporting activities with prizes to be won and points towards the House shield to be battled for. At the conclusion of the day, we had a traditional staff v seniors Tug Of War contest. The roar from the grandstand when the students defeated the teachers was intoxicating and overall, the day was a wonderful exhibition of a vibrant spirit alive and well at St Edmund's in 2019.

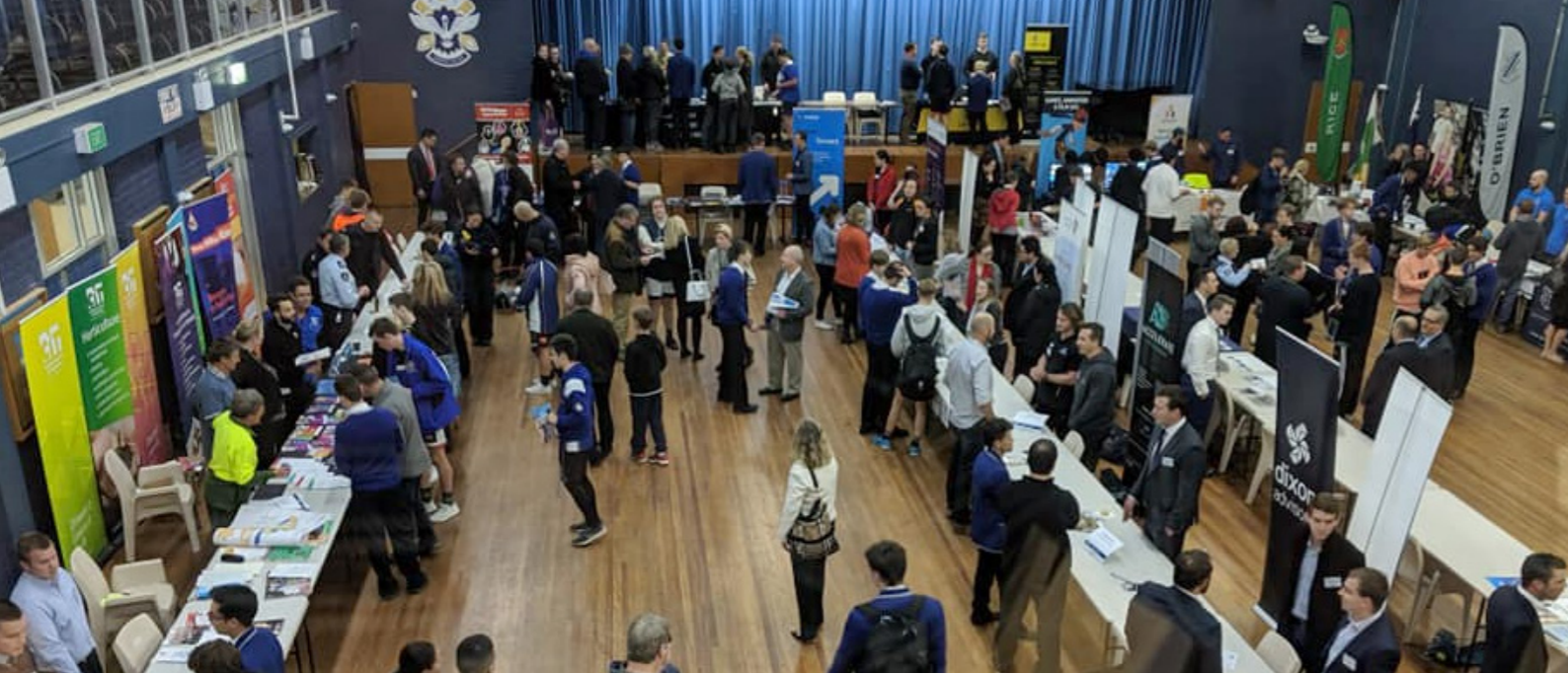




Swimming Carnival

Athletics Carnival





Career Information Night

Leigh Southwell Careers Advise

This year we saw the 4th Career Information Night being held in the Brother Wallace Hall, with more Old Boys and educational institutions in attendance than ever before. The Career Information Night is held to provide our students and their parents with an evening to speak to Universities, Defence, employers and tradesman and ask questions about their future career pathways. Many students come away with a new focus on a career that they may never have considered, or contacts within a field that will then lead to work experience, an apprenticeship or employment.

It is so wonderful to have so many Old Boys willing to return and volunteer their time to speak to our current students about their career pathways since they left Eddie's. These conversations are valuable for our current students and parents as they provide real world information and experience to assist in the students' subject choices or study pathways.

Throughout the night, there were a number of presentations by Universities from within Canberra and Wollongong, outlining what they could offer to students if they chose to study there. Defence Recruiting also provided an engaging and informative presentation which is always popular and well attended. It was great to see so many students and their parents in attendance on the night and I hope that this provision of information assists the students in focusing on how working hard in their studies will help in their lives after Eddie's.





The Cabaret

Nigel Palfremen Head of Creative and Performing Arts

Rock of Eddies the 2019 College Musical took place on the 30th May in the Brother RJ Wallace Hall.

The evening kicked off with a video introducing the hosts, James Olney, James Tually and Tim Brunton. The video set the tone for the rest of the evening, a night of Music, Art, Dance and Drama, based around the theme of Rock n Roll.

The Combined St Clare's and St Edmund's College Band conducted by Noddy Brassington kicked off the live entertainment for the evening with a medley of Queen music and music from the movie Shrek. The Junior school's Singing Blues conducted by Mrs Thomas then sang a Beatles medley - there was not a dry eye in the house.

The Drama for the evening came courtesy of the Year 9/10 Drama class, all the acts were written and directed by the students themselves, the short plays ranged from a meeting of dead rock stars, to a short video about a world where music is banned to students. Employing the lyrics of Beatles songs to help with a drama performance to the

cavemen invention of Rock n Roll. The laughs came thick and fast.

Once again, we were extremely lucky to collaborate with St Clare's College. A number of their girls performed a variety of Rock songs. This year, we invited an ex student from Eddie's and Clare's to perform - Adriana Stromandolini and Nik Martinello, they performed Somebody To Love together with Eddie's own Tim Brunton.

Students from the Year 9/10 and 11/12 Music class formed their own Rock bands, Conor Maloney, Daniel Isherwood and Hunter Harlor performed Green Day's Holiday and seniors Armand Gouws, Lachlan McCleod and Andy Barr performed a Rock Medley - these fantastic groups had the audience dancing in the aisles.

Another band was created for the Cabaret complete with introductory video, Sebastian, Leo and Brendan - SLAB (and Tim Brunton). This hilarious video segued perfectly into their rendition of My Sharona.

The evening finished with a first for a St

Edmund's College Cabaret. Although we have always had a boys' dance, Rock n StRoll was the first time that the entire dance has been choreographed by one of the students of St Edmund's. Tristan Fox, who is also taking Dance as a Year 11 subject, with the help of and at St Clare's College. He choreographed this incredible finale to Cabaret which sent the entire audience home tapping their feet and singing Rock and Roll.

There is an incredible amount of work that goes into nights such as these and they could not be achieved without the tireless dedication of the staff involved. Particular mention needs to go to Rebecca Lee, Margaret Thomas and Linda James. We are privileged at St Edmund's to have a Creative and Performing Arts Department who consistently strive to give our boys every opportunity to be active in all areas of the Arts, Music, Drama, Dance, Art and Media. We thank the College Leadership Team for its continued support and look forward to the coming productions, including The Big Band Bash, The Christmas Concert and the 2020 musical Beauty and The Beast.





Year 7 Camp Report

Jonathan Hall Year 7 Pastoral Coordinator

2019 began with a bang for our Year 7 boys on the recent camp to Birrigai.

It has been a great start to the year for the Year 7 class of 2019. This was evident on our recent camp at Birrigai. The boys were able to make the most of the fantastic weather we had during the week, with a range of outdoor adventure activities. We began with the famous crate climb and many boys went close to challenging the 14 crate record. Our highest was 12 with Kai Bower and Billy Lachlan. Other activities included the giant swing and flying fox plus team rescue and initiative games. The highlight would have to be the walk to Gibraltar Peak, the views of the neighbouring countryside were spectacular. We were educated on the sacredness of the site to the traditional Ngunnawal peoples and the role that the peak played in their lives. The evenings were spent playing indoor games such as giant chess and novelty connect-four as well as the epic talent show which gave the opportunity for the boys to show off their creative and performing talents. Special mention must go to Gabriel Serni and his endless "flossing" dance moves! There is no doubt the boys had a good time and that plenty of memories were created. It was pleasing to see new friendships being made and the blossoming confidence of the boys begin to emerge. A big thank you must go to the instructors Bob and Sally for putting on such fantastic fun for all involved. I would also like to acknowledge the work of the Year 7 Tutors on camp: First Aid Officer – Ms Ashleigh Kerin, Camp Song Instructor – Ms Rebecca Lee, Quartermaster – Ms Rebecca Jarman, Bunk Marshall – Mr Dave Barrie, Mess Hall Officer – Mr Geoff Olsen and our fearless and inspiring leader Mr Tim MacArthur for assisting and getting involved with the boys in all the activities. Your help and support is invaluable to the development and formation of our young men.



Year 10 Camp - Biloela

Leanne Gair Assistant Principal Student Wellbeing

"There is pleasure in the pathless woods. There is rapture on the lonely shore. There is society where none intrudes, by the deep sea and the music in its roar. I love not man the less, but NATURE more" - Lord Byron

In many ways, the above quote by poet, Byron captures the notion and theme for the Year 10 Camp. In essence, the students were challenged to silence the white noise created all too often by the constant connection to electronic devices, escape the busyness of strict schedules that can be suffocating, and to be open to stepping out of their comfort zones to connect with nature, not social media.

There was a level of apprehension from

students and staff about heading off to Biloela, an Outdoor Education Group off grid camp ground in the middle of the Belanglo State Forest. We would, for three days have no electricity, showers, flushing toilets and would hike for hours each day to get from destination to destination with all our gear on our backs. All staff and students embraced this opportunity to be at one with nature and to engage with activities like abseiling, kayaking, flying fox, high and low ropes courses and discover how to be self-sufficient in the bush. We learnt about the level of responsibility we have to treasure, to protect our natural environment and wildlife and we discovered that when adversity strikes in the bush, there is not much that determination, perseverance,

integrity, trust in your mates and teamwork can't overcome. By the end of our three days, we were all looking forward to having a home cooked meal and a hot shower and had learnt a great deal more about gratitude and appreciation for the finer things in life. We had also realised that a great many of us had a real love of the outdoors and I feel this final quote sums up the feeling of the staff and students beautifully after embarking on such an adventure.

"It is not so much for its beauty that the forest makes a claim upon men's heart, as for the subtle something, that quality of air that emanation from old trees, that so wonderfully changes and renews a weary spirit" - Robert Louis Stevenson

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Year 12 Retreat - Making Plans

Michael Monagle Assistant Principal Mission and Identity

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11

In Term One, Year 12 participated in a three day retreat at Jindabyne which has become of rite of passage for any student who is completing their last year at the College.

The theme for retreat is ‘Yesterday, today and tomorrow’ and this provides a perfect three day set of focus points where the students reflect on their past, acknowledge their present self and look forward to the future full of confidence and hope. Throughout the retreat the students and staff participated in a range of activities and learned about each other and the world that they live in. The openness and willingness of everyone present to share about their life honestly was the real highlight. Another highlight was the notorious open microphone on the last night where the students share their unique skills.

A big thank you to Father David Lemewu who assisted the retreat by leading Mass, sharing about his faith journey and through singing his favourite song to the whole year level during the open mic session. Thank you to the staff who assisted: in Mrs Millar, Mrs Wilson, Mr Langford, Mr Mead, Mrs Blore, Mrs Brown, Mr Stubbs and Mr Teng.



Japan Immersion Tour

Yuko Leffers Japanese Teacher

From July 5th to 19th, twelve students and two teachers participated in the Japan Trip, where they travelled to Osaka, Tokyo and Nagasaki. At the first destination, Osaka, the students explored a variety of sightseeing spots: a baseball game at the Osaka Dome and a stroll in a famous shopping street called Dotonbori, where gaudy, funny merchandise signs mesmerised us all. Despite the teachers’ concern over the hot weather at Universal Studio Japan, all students were excellent in looking after themselves and still managed to conquer most of the thrilling rides. Our stay in Osaka was completed with the visit to the Todaiji, the oldest temple in Japan, where we were impressed by the architectural design and structure of the Great Buddha and the statues of the guardians.

After Osaka, we moved to Nagasaki to meet with the students at Nanzan High School (our sister school). Individual students stayed with their homestay family for six days and although the students were nervous prior to the trip, it turned out to be that this homestay period was their highlight of the trip. The students told the teachers every morning about how they shared quality time and received warm hospitality at home.

After leaving Nagasaki and wonderful memories of the people there, we moved to Tokyo. We visited Akihabara which is famous for its electronic shops, Tokyo Sky Tree, and Roppongi, where we crossed the famous multi-intersection.

I would like to thank Mr Taylor, who

assisted with administrative work for the trip and Mr Burke, who volunteered to attend the trip and showed a great deal of care for the students.



Solomon Islands Immersion

Leigh Southwell Careers Advise

Eight students from Years 11 and 12 and four teachers travelled to Honiara in the Solomon Islands in the July holidays. The purpose for this inaugural trip to the Solomons was to visit Mercy School and redevelop its playground facilities, visit schools in the neighbouring islands (Soso public school, Nugu) and to immerse themselves in the local culture. The students visited Matariau village in West Kola where the boys loved getting a chance to learn a new song and dance with the Sunday School students, as well as distribute hundreds of pencils, books and stationery donated by the St Edmund's College community. The touring party donated over 25 kilos of women's underwear, clothing and medical supplies, as well as cash, to support the Seif Ples Domestic Violence Centre to continue its amazing work in the community.

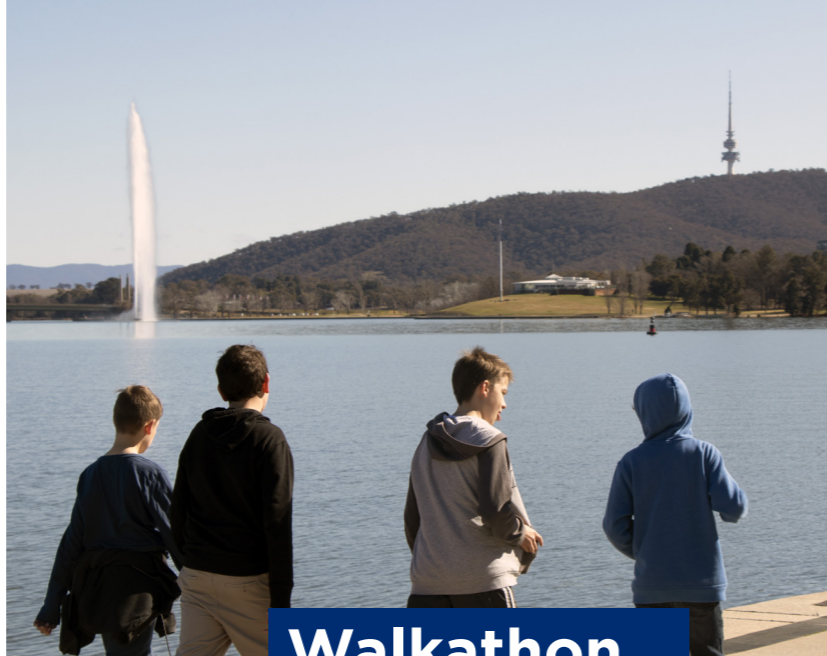
Some of the tourist highlights that the boys also enjoyed were snorkelling over a WW2 Japanese warship at Mbonege beach, having a guided tour of the USA War Memorial by a former US Marine and exploring the local Art and Craft markets. The boys had to put their culinary skills to the test when challenged by the teachers to cook dinner with produce from the Central Market. They did an incredible job whipping up Chilli tuna risotto, banana chips and lime marinated squid. Their knowledge of the variety of bananas and coconuts in the tropics is now vast.

The touring party was warmly welcomed by the communities they visited, they contributed to social and educational development through funds and resources and all of the students and staff absorbed and appreciated the amazing culture of the Solomon Islands. The St Edmund's staff praised the students on their incredible work ethic, willingness to engage in every activity and the way in which they approached every person with an open heart and an open mind.

St Edmund's College and Mercy School are linked through the Australian- ASIA Education funded BRIDGE program. Last year, Principal Simon Rilaua visited St Edmund's on exchange. St Edmund's College teacher, Leigh Southwell, returned to Honiara after living there in 2014/2015 and constructing classrooms at Mercy School with funding from the "Make A Mark Australia" charity. Again, the charity contributed funds to the playground redevelopment.

When the trip came to an end, the group was sad to leave the wonderful warmth and welcome of the 'Hapi Isles' and return to chilly Canberra. But, many students have vowed that they will return one day and they will definitely be welcomed back with open arms by the new friends that they have made.





Walkathon



First XI Sri Lanka Tour

Jeremy Taylor Religious Studies Teacher

Travel and immersion into another culture is unquestionably a unique experience for people of any age. For young people, being placed outside of their comfort zone offers many benefits that are otherwise unavailable.

In January, the St Edmund's College Cricket Club commenced its fourth international tour to Sri Lanka. Fourteen students were selected along with Mr. Jacob Knowles, Mr. Jeremy Taylor, Mr. Jason Moore and Mr. Nigel Palfreman to immerse themselves in a culture that lives and breathes the game of cricket.

The tour included five matches against local academy or school teams throughout the country. These teams included: Colombo Cricket Academy (Colombo) Colt Cricket Club (Colombo), Foundation of Goodness (Galle) and St Anthony's College (Kandy). Competing against different styles of play in diverse facilities enhanced individual and team success amongst the humid conditions Sri Lanka had to offer.

The learning that takes place during international travel experiences is another very apparent positive effect

of international sports competitions. Hearing a new language, being immersed in another culture, shopping with foreign money in a store where English is not the primary language, seeing and visiting attractions, visiting museums and historic sites, going to local festivals and concerts and living as though a resident of a foreign country provides experiences that cannot be duplicated by reading or within the classroom.



The Pines

The Pines is located in Tuross Head which is south of Moruya and is able to accommodate up to 100 people at one time.

Tuross Head is surrounded by water with Coila Lake to the North, Tuross Lake to the South, the Pacific Ocean to the East and the mountains to the West. The area is famous for fishing, fresh oysters, water sports and its wildlife, particularly whales and birds. Tuross Head has a shopping village with nine food outlets ranging from first class restaurants to takeaway cafes. The award winning Tuross Country Club has bowling greens and a golf course.

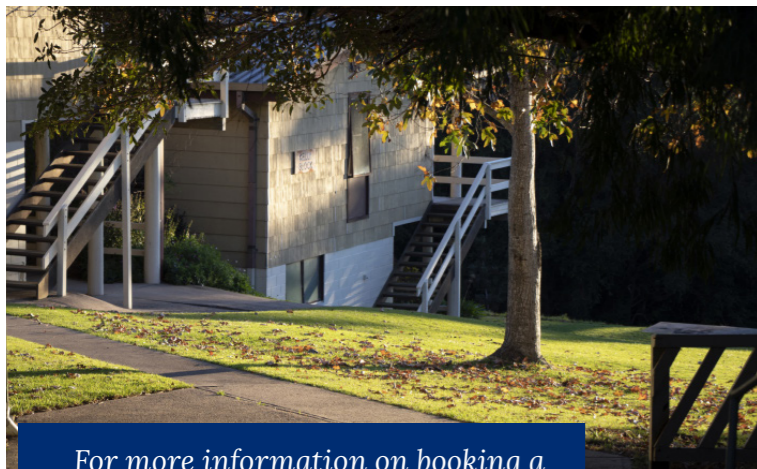
The Pines is located on three acres of land just a short stroll from Tuross Lake and the beautiful beach of the Pacific Ocean.

Features include:

- Independent Main building with balcony views of the Pacific Ocean.
- The Main Building has a Commercial Kitchen and Dining Hall.
- Separate lounge/television room.
- 11 bedrooms with shared bathrooms and shower facilities.
- Two independent bunkhouses, each with 41 beds, bathrooms and laundry facilities.
- Recreation Hall.
- Basketball Court.
- Volleyball Court.
- Sporting Field.
- Chapel.
- The Edmund Rice Centre Conference Facility.



The Pines is available for retreats and specialised excursions. The Pines is also used and available to Old Boys, current family groups, community and sporting organisations as a relaxing holiday venue or conference facility.



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The Season in Snapshot





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