FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MR DAMIAN MESSER

“What you do has far greater impact than what you say”. Stephen Covey

Commissioning of Student Leaders

At Austins Ferry this morning we gathered for the first time this year as a College community, bringing both campuses together for the Commissioning of or Senior Leaders. The College gets the opportunity to join as one on a number of times during the year and these events are critical to our commitment to building unity, identity and a strong sense of community connection. I thank all involved for providing a wonderful opportunity for the boys to enjoy their time together and to focus upon the importance of student leadership in building young men of character and integrity.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 5 A

Monday March 4 – Grade 5 Camp. Concludes, March 6.
Tuesday March 5 – New Beginnings Programme 2 – Day 1
Wednesday March 6 – New Beginnings Programme 2 – Day 2
Wednesday March 6 – SSATIS Swimming at HAC
Thursday March 7 – Junior School House Swimming Carnival – Glenorchy Pool

WEEK 6 B

Monday March 12 – Eight Hours Day Public Holiday
Tuesday March 12 – New Beginnings Programme 3
Wednesday March 13 – New Beginnings programme 3 – Day 2
Junior School Parent – Teacher Meetings
Thursday March 14 – Open Day – Senior Campus, Austins Ferry
Junior School Parent– Teacher Meetings
Friday March 15 – House Reps Commissioning, Austins Ferry
It is amazing how the quote above from 1990s management guru Stephen Covey mirrors the calling of our own College and its founder Blessed Edmund Rice, who challenged students to be men of deeds and not words alone. This is part of the mission of our 2013 leaders and we look forward to supporting them in modelling service leadership to all students at St Virgil’s.

The ceremony also involved a Liturgy of Blessing where we were able to bless a number of plaques provided to the College by the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office to acknowledge the traditional custodians of our land. The ceremony provided an opportunity to also bless the message sticks that the College received at last year’s Edmund Rice Education Australia Congress gathering. The stick was presented to us by the Mutha Mutha tribe and provides an Indigenous interpretation of the four touchstones that are integral to a Catholic education in the Edmund Rice tradition. The message sticks will be used during all formal leadership gatherings to remind us of the need to be authentic to the charism of Blessed Edmund and its expression within the four touchstones – Liberating Education, Gospel Spirituality, Inclusive Education and Justice and Solidarity.

**Duty of Care – Arrival on Site**
A reminder to all parents that boys must not arrive on site at either campus until 8.15am, at which time staff are rostered on for playground supervision. If boys arrive prior to this time, please understand that there will be no teacher on the duty areas.

**New Parent Evening and Junior School Welcome BBQ**
It was wonderful to see so many of our new parents to the College attending the New Parent Evening last Thursday at Austins Ferry. Thank you to our Parents & Friends Association who supplied drinks and finger food at the end of the evening.

A warm welcome to our families from the Junior School who I hope can join us at the Parents and Friends Welcome BBQ this evening from 5.30pm. I encourage all who can attend to come along. Unfortunately I will be an apology as I have to attend an Edmund Rice Education Australia function with the College Board Chair in Melbourne.

**Open Day**
Austins Ferry Open Day is being held this year on Thursday March 14 from 9.30am to 2.30pm and 3.30pm to 5.30pm. I encourage anyone who is considering enrolling students in 2014 and beyond to attend the day. A reminder that Grade 7 enrolments for 2014 closes on April 19.

**Grade 7 New Beginnings**
The ‘New Beginnings Programme’ commenced this week with all Grade 7 students being involved in a number of activities which assist them with their transition to the College and to secondary education. The aim of the programme is to give the boys the opportunity to meet new friends, build relationships with staff outside of the classroom and to get to understand a little more about the history and tradition of St Virgil’s College. The programme continues over the next three weeks and from past experience we know that boys will greatly enjoy the programme as well as feel much more connected to the College and their peers.

**Extended Absences**
A reminder to all parents that if it is necessary for your son to miss school for an extended time, a notification in writing needs to be sent to the Principal. I ask that such disruptions are kept to a minimum as the decision to remove a boy from class can be detrimental to his learning. I ask for your support in the delivery of the full education programme offered to your son by the College.

**Scholarships**
Each year thanks to the foresight and generosity of old scholars and friends of the College, a number of scholarships are made available to support current and past students of the College. Details of each scholarship is outlined below:
Estate of the late Barry William and Mary Jeanette Woods Scholarship

Applications are invited for the Estate of the late Barry William and Mary Jeanette Woods Scholarship.

The Scholarship provides for payment of half the annual school fee for two students selected from Grade 7 and/or 8 and two students from Grade 5 and/or 6. It is a once only payment to assist with the costs of attending St Virgil's College.

There are four such scholarships provided each year. Written applications are invited by April 5 2013.

GL Curtis Scholarships for Old Virgilians

Applications are invited for the GL Curtis Scholarship for first year university students.

The GL Curtis Scholarship provides a sum of $1,000 to an Old Virgilian beginning university studies. It is a once only payment to assist with the costs of attending university in the first year and is to be used for the purchase of essential texts or materials, the payment of university charges or the establishment costs necessary to provide university accommodation (country or interstate students).

Further information on these Scholarships is attached to this newsletter.

In the spirit of Blessed Edmund.

Damian Messer

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

MR TERRY BLIZZARD

“All the so-called "secrets of success" will not work, unless you do”.

It is hard to believe that we are already moving into week 5A. The busyness of the start to the year tends to make Term One go by very quickly and the change to four terms will only add to this feeling of rapidity. It is important then that boys are by now firmly focussed on their studies. For many boys the lack of structure at school and at home early in the year can become problematic as the year progresses. It is very hard for some boys to change bad study habits.

Mr Messer and I have now spoken to all Grade levels about the need to develop strong work habits early and have flagged the notion of a ‘fair go for all students’ (FGFAS) in our classrooms. With this in mind we will be conducting sessions with all grades over the coming weeks offering support and suggestions around topics such as study habits, time management, goal setting and organisation for example. Details of these sessions will be made available to parents through the iPad on Edmodo and also in upcoming editions of The Star.
Immunisations
Parents of Grade Seven and Nine students are reminded that next Thursday March 7 is immunisation day. Those boys who are unable to attend on the day will need to organise catch up immunisations through either their GP or the Council clinic.

Drop Off and Pick Up
Could I remind parents who drop off and pick up their sons on College property to please be cautious around the buses. Whilst we have had very few incidents we do have a large number of boys getting on and off buses and the chance of a serious event is very real. The safety of our boys is the number one priority.

JUNIOR SCHOOL
MR ANDREW PINELLI, HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

“While all Catholic schools work for the mission of the Church, the charism of Blessed Edmund Rice is the prism through which Christian Brothers’ schools look at the world in discerning the needs in light of the Gospel”.
(Foundations 2005)

EREA Senior Leadership Induction
Last week I had the opportunity to travel to Richmond in Melbourne to join with other senior leaders from EREA (Edmund Rice Education Australia) schools around Australia. Other than meeting some inspiring colleagues, I had the opportunity to get to know the staff who support our work from the head office of EREA. At the same time it was humbling to learn more deeply of the wonderful traditions that our College is very much a part of and the deep connections we have with over 40 schools around Australia who share our story and our calling to provide Catholic education which is authentic to the charism of Blessed Edmund Rice.

College Uniform
We take great pride in the wearing of our College uniform with uniform guidelines strictly followed and adhered to. Recently, in The Star, Mr Blizzard, Deputy Principal of the Senior School wrote: “The College uniform is a wonderful symbol of belonging as well as a great equaliser”. I would like to compliment all those boys who have presented so well for the start of the school year. The College has a distinctive uniform and when worn well, as so many boys do each day; it signifies membership of, and loyalty to, the College community. We do not shy away from this. The College uniform is a wonderful symbol of belonging as well as a great equaliser.

When all boys wear the uniform correctly there is no distinction between social and financial backgrounds – we are all equal and belong to the one community. This is also a hallmark of any authentic Catholic education community that takes its motivation from the charism of Blessed Edmund Rice. I would like to commend the boys for what has been an outstanding start to the year. There is a great spirit around the College at the moment and presents a wonderful platform for the year ahead.

Playground Supervision
The safety of the boys when they arrive at school is very important. Playground duty commences at 8:15am at the Junior School campus. Parents are asked to ensure that their son is not arriving much before that time. The boys are also
reminded that when they do arrive at school, they are to sit in the amphitheatre until the teacher commences playground duty. If parents need to drop their son to school early on one-off occasions, this should be communicated to the Junior School office so that your son’s safety and well-being can be monitored.

Junior School Swimming Trials
On Thursday of last week, the Junior School boys travelled to New Norfolk for their annual swimming trials. The purpose of the day is to gain an idea of what division the boys should be in for the House Swimming Carnival events, held next week at the Glenorchy Pool. The day is not just about swimming, but also a day where the boys spend time getting to know their school friends better by playing alongside the beautiful river setting. It was a sensational day and the boys’ behaviour was exemplary throughout. We are now all really looking forward to the House Swimming Carnival next Thursday at the Glenorchy Swimming Pool.

P & F Welcome BBQ
Preparations are well in hand for tonight’s P & F welcome BBQ. Many families have indicated their availability to come along, join the festivities and to meet other parents, boys and staff. I am looking forward to meeting many of the parents who I have not had the opportunity to meet as yet. I join with all staff in extending a warm welcome to attend and we look forward to seeing everyone this evening. There should be some great pictures for next week’s edition of The Star!

Woodwork at Austins Ferry
This week, Grade 6W travelled to the Austins Ferry campus to commence woodwork activities. Mr Maxwell greeted the boys and inducted them to the woodworking area of the Senior School Campus. A few guidelines along with safety requirements were covered as part of the first lesson. The boys are eagerly looking forward to next week when practical work will commence. All grades throughout the year will travel to the Austins Ferry campus to do woodwork. We look forward to seeing the boy’s handiwork and finished products.

College Diaries
This week, covers were removed from the boy’s diaries as many were falling apart. The covers have been sent to the printers as a new run is being done in an attempt to rectify this problem. Thank you to boys and parents for their patience as we work with the printer to come up with a viable solution.

Grade 5 Camp to Port Arthur
All Grade 5 boys are very excited about the upcoming camp to Port Arthur. A lot of enjoyable and challenging activities have been planned. We will be able to report on the three days of activities in the coming weeks.

Religious Education and Outreach News
Mrs Fiona Chambers

Ash Wednesday and Lent
The Junior School boys celebrated a very meaningful Ash Wednesday Liturgy, ably led by Nicholas O’Connell and Alexander Fracalossi. It was our first Liturgy together in the Cathedral and the boys participated with reverence and respect. Lent is a time when we journey along with Jesus. It is an important time for prayer and reflection. The emphasis these days is more on doing, rather than giving up. This fits very well with our school motto ‘by deeds, not words alone’.

Project Compassion and Caritas Australia
The theme this year for Project Compassion comes from the words of Pope Benedict XVI, ‘Open Doors into the Future’. During Religion, classes have spent some time looking at the stories of Ditosa from Mozambique and Raymundo from Bolivia and learning how, through our fundraising for Project Compassion and Caritas Australia, we can support many other people in the future. The Mini Vinnies group is meeting tomorrow to begin organising our fundraising activities, which are a big part of our campus during Lent.
SPORT

Futsal
15 February 2013

Under 10
SVC Blue 2 drew with The Lightning Strikers 2
Player of the week: Joshua Honig for best on court.

Under 11
SVC Green 1 lost to Zebras 14
1-14
Player of the week: Felix Kinghorn-Lewis.
Encouragement award: Marcus Hastie

Under 12
SVC Blue 8 defeated SVC Green 2
Blue: A good start to the season. The boys played well and in the spirit of St Virgils.
Player of the week: Marcus Turnbull for great team play.
Green: Scores were locked at 2-2 at half time but to the credit of some good running and positioning SVC Blue got on top
and over ran us.
Player of the week: Chris McGuiness-Terry for all round good game.

22 February 2012

Under 9
SVC 4 lost to Lightning 6
After a 12-1 loss last week the focus was on defending and shots on goal when we had a chance. The boys started slowly
down 4-2 at half time. We only let 2 goals in after half time. The boys are learning very quickly and will be very competitive
over the next few weeks.
Player of the week: Harry Cornelius for a spectacular volley goal from the half way line.

Under 11
SVC Green 7 drew with The Skill Squad 7
Player of the Week: Samuel Cornelius
Encouragement Award: Laughlan Freeman
Goal Scorers: Hayden Nuss (2), Tadhg Waddington (2), Samuel Cornelius (2), Marcus Hastie (1)

Under 12
SVC Gold 4 defeated Cambridge 2
A big thank you to Luke Kreune and Hayden Nuss for filling in for the team.
Player of the week: Noah King for giving 100% effort.

Flippa Ball
3/4 Gold 6 lost to Montagu Bay 10
A good effort by all the boys for their first hit out. A steep learning curve for the boys that hadn’t played before but they
applied themselves and their skills during the game.
Player of the week: Solly Wilkinson (Taroona).
Encouragement award: Will Graves.
Grade 3/4 Blue 7 defeated Montagu Bay 6
A great first game of the season and a wonderful effort by all players. It was a very close and exciting game with Montagu
Bay scoring the winning goal in the last minute of the game. Well done all the SVC Blue 3/4 players.
Player of the week: Harry Fisher for a great all round effort.
Encouragement award: Liam Duffy.

Grade 5/6 II defeated Montagu Bay 9
II-9
The 5/6 Flippa Ball team had a fantastic start to the 2013 season with an II-9 win over Montagu Bay. The boys showed great team work with goals scored by seven of our players and some terrific work done in defence.
Player of the week: Zac Hills for fantastic sportsmanship.

Junior School Canteen
Mrs Olga Leon
Friday March 1          Felicity Nuss / Kate Bridgland
Wednesday 6 March       Tracey Noble / Karen Borsboom
Thursday 7 March         No Canteen Swimming Carnival
Friday 8 March           Bill Cranny / Maria Gerathy
A few days ago I was given the task of taking some photos of our Grade 7s "doing things at school". I had two hours to get the photos taken and my aim was to show as much variety as possible. By the time I was finished, I was amazed by the vast number of things that our boys get up to during a day. It was a wonderful experience to walk from space to space meeting smiling faces and busy bodies. I saw some very red faces striving to reach the highest level on the running beep test, I saw boys making image catalogue a of lab equipment on their iPads and I met a group who were seeing if their arms were long enough to play a trombone.

One young man was doing a marvellous job miming someone cooking a barbecue and I happened across a group who were having a go at some art in the style of Russell Drysdale. There were some intense 'concentration faces' happening in Room 11 where a spelling test was underway and some very restful ones during a quiet reflection in the Chapel.

A pretty busy couple of hours, but still only a small insight into the very full lives of the boys of St Virgil's!

Mathematics Matters
John Waldock
Leading Teacher - Mathematics

The St Virgil’s ‘Homework Club’ has now commenced. Run predominantly by the Maths Department, students can stay on a Wednesday after school from 3.30pm to 4.30pm to get extra tuition or help with their homework. Tutorials are also held in the library every Monday lunch time but this has the disadvantage of students not getting sufficient play time. The photo below shows Grade 7 student Karl Pepper working on his Maths homework. Hopefully many more students will make use of this new initiative to improve their overall academic standard.

English Incursion
Miss Lucy Dalton
Leading Teacher of English and Literacy

On Monday March 4, Grade 9 and 10 English students will be visited by ‘Poet for Hire’, Geoff Goodfellow. Geoff will be talking to the boys about the power of language” and the need to be able to use language effectively, both in spoken and written forms. He will be reading from his most recent book, Waltzing with Jack Dancer: his slow dance with cancer, detailing his survival. The need for resilience is also an emphasis in his talk. We look forward to welcoming Geoff back to the College this year. A full report will feature in next week’s edition of The Star.
This year, many teachers will be using the EDMODO online learning platform with their classes. Edmodo is an online Learning Management System - a little like a digital classroom in which teachers and students can communicate and collaborate.

One of the benefits of using Edmodo is that parents are able to view the tasks that teachers are setting for their sons, including due dates. They can also view the items that students are submitting to demonstrate their understanding, knowledge and learning, as well as the feedback teachers have given.

To access this information, parents require a PARENT CODE for each of their sons. This is available on the student's page in Edmodo, circled in red, above, which all boys can access when logged into their own Edmodo accounts.

Armed with this code, at http://www.edmodo.com, click on the small “I’m a parent” link (underneath the blue “I’m a teacher” button). Complete the account creation details and access is granted to all subjects for which the relevant student uses Edmodo.

For parents with more than one child using Edmodo, additional students can be added once you have created your account.

If problems occur in accessing parent codes, teachers are able to access this for students in their classes.

If you have any queries, please email Mr Deon Scanlon - dscanlon@stvirgils.tas.edu.au
The New Beginnings Programme has got off to a great start this week, all boys should have their own New Beginnings book now which has all the details the boys need for each weeks activities. For reference the information for the remaining weeks is:

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Please note for all activities boys travel to and from school as normal, boys will be then transported to their location and return to school by the end of the school day. Boys have already received the permission form for the overnight Outdoor Education experience, these can be returned to the College office.
Time and Space Programmes
Please save these dates! A reminder (and clarification) of the dates for the Time and Space Programmes for 2013 are:

Grade 9/10 Time and Space
Night 1 Tuesday 9 April
Night 2 Thursday 11 April
Camp Friday 12 April - Sunday 14 April
Dinner Monday 15 April
Final Night Wednesday 22 May

Grade 7 Mother and Son Night Wednesday 10 April
Grade 8 Stepping Up Night (Father and Son) Thursday 23 May

Images from New Beginnings Programme – Week 1
SPORT NEWS

Tennis

Grade 7/8 Development Programme
This is held on Monday afternoons at Austins Ferry from 3.30pm to 4.45pm. This programme is aimed at developing student’s tennis skills and knowledge. Please see Mr Waldock for more information.

Cricket

Grade 7/8 Development Programme
On Monday night over 50 students attended the first night of the development programme and received some excellent coaching and training from current 1st XI players and staff. Games will commence this week as well as additional specialist coaching sessions. Students should be attired in SVC Sport Uniform and bring their cricket gear to each session. Team details and the match roster are available from the Sport Office and on the College website – www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/senior/sport/rosters/ Please contact Mr Waddington for more information – mwaddington@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

NOTE: A bus will be provided to the Junior School at the end of both the Tennis and Cricket trainings.

Over the course of the year many Senior School boys achieve some remarkable results in a range of sporting endeavours. Please send details through to the Director of Sport Mr James Dalton – jdalton@stvirgils.tas.edu.au to enable these be shared with the entire College community.

COLLEGE COMMUNITY NEWS

Uniform Shop
Mrs Cindy Gangell

The following stock has arrived in both Shops:
- Grey Shorts
- Short Sleeve Shirts
- White socks
- Senior School Shop only - Grey Walk Sock 2-8
- School Woollen Jumpers in all sizes

Blazers will be approximately one week away. Please be assured that as soon as we receive delivery all parents will be notified.

2013 UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

SENIOR SCHOOL CAMPUS
Tuesday and Thursday 8.30 am to 3.30 pm

JUNIOR SCHOOL CAMPUS
Tuesday 8.30am to 9.30 am
Thursday 2.00pm to 3.30 pm
Austins Ferry Canteen
Mrs Carol Hilyer, Manager

Roster
Procedures for ordering lunch and the 2013 Summer Canteen Menu are available at www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au – Senior School/canteen

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Due to a number of parents being unable to do canteen duty in 2013 we have some gaps in the roster, in particular on Thursdays. If you are able to assist please contact Carol at the College or email chilyer@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

John Wallis Foundation Bushwalk
The inaugural John Wallis Foundation bush walk will honour a Tasmanian of great vision when it is held on Mount Wellington on Saturday March 9. Father Wallis, himself a great bush walker, was the first parish priest of the Glenorchy Catholic Parish and was responsible for bringing the Dominican Sisters to Tasmania - to start Holy Name School (later Dominic College) also in Glenorchy. The Missionary Sisters of Service - a congregation of religious women he founded in Launceston in 1944 - have had their Hobart base in Claremont for many years. It is to ensure their legacy that the John Wallis Foundation has been founded. This is the second John Wallis Foundation event to be held in Hobart. The first was the very successful memorial lecture held in association with Guilford Young College in October last year.

So why not do something different over the long weekend and join the inspiring John Wallis Foundation in an invigorating walk on Mt Wellington. Saturday March 9, registration from 9am for 10am start; walks of varying difficulty with experienced leaders start from The Springs, followed by a barbecue lunch. BYO water and morning tea. Cost: Adult $20, student/child $5, family $40. A bus will leave St Francis Xavier Church, South Hobart, at 8.45am, returning after the bbq. The bus is free but a booking by Wednesday March 6 is essential: Penny Edman 0400 896 191 or penny_edman@yahoo.com.au<mailto:penny_edman@yahoo.com.au>
Parents and Friends Association  
Mrs Lynne Jones, President

Welcome to the 2013 school year! The first meeting of the SVC Senior School Parents and Friends Association will be held tonight (February 21) in the Joyce Performance Centre at the Austins Ferry Campus commencing at 6.30 pm; prior to the New Parents Evening.

Annual General Meeting
Included in this newsletter is information and a nomination form regarding the Parents and Friends AGM to be held on Tuesday March 19 in the Staffroom at Austins Ferry commencing at 7.30 pm. At this meeting nominations will be called for the election of Office Bearers of the Association for 2013. This year in particular we are looking to fill the role of Senior School Treasurer, (accounting or book-keeping qualifications not essential, I assure you!!). I ask that you please consider joining the P&F Committee in 2013.

About the P&F
St Virgil’s College Parents & Friend operates over both the Senior & Junior Campuses of the College as one organisation. The Parents & Friends primary functions are, firstly, to represents interests of the parents of the college by providing a vital link between the College and its parent community; thus creating an avenue for information sharing with in the College. Secondly, it promotes the interests of the college by organising and assisting with social and College events and fundraising activities.

For the P & F to continue to carry out its primary functions it needs the ongoing support of the parents of the college. Parental involvement is paramount to the ongoing success of the P & F. The mainstay of the P & F is its Executive Committee and without that small group of parents then the P & F would cease to exist. Each year the P & F suffers a natural attrition rate where parents who have sons in Grade 10 leave the College, along with their sons. Consequently, new parents are needed to replace them.

I would ask all parents to give some thought and consideration to becoming an active member of the P & F in 2013. A Nomination Form for the election of Office Bearers for 2013 is available below. The Nomination Form lists the various roles and capacities in which parents can serve the school community in the course of the year. Please feel free to put your name forward for any position, which might interest you. If you wish to discuss any matter pertaining to the P & F, please contact me on the following number: 0438 544 171 or by email: lynnejones@stgiles.org.au

Nomination forms are to be returned to the Austins Ferry Campus Office by Friday March 15, in an envelope addressed to: Lynne Jones, President, SVC P&F Association.

Sincerely
Lynne Jones
President

PROFILE OF ELECTED OFFICE BEARERS

EXECUTIVE OFFICE BEARERS (SENIOR CAMPUS):

The **President** is the chief executive and spokesperson of the Association. The President represents the Association at official functions, supports other office bearers and normally chairs the monthly meetings.

The **Vice-President** deputises for the President when necessary.

The **Secretary** provides secretarial support to the Association, including Agendas, Minutes and correspondence.

The **Treasurer** undertakes the receiving and banking of monies; the keeping of proper books of accounts on behalf of the Association and presents an audited balance sheet (audit organised by the College) at the Annual General Meeting.
The EXECUTIVE MEMBERS: (2- 4 NOMINEES) TO: - Provide support to the executive as required.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE BEARERS (JUNIOR SCHOOL):

The JUNIOR SCHOOL VICE-PRESIDENT- Chair of Junior School Executive - responsibility for the operation of the Parents & Friends Junior School. Liaises with the SVC President.
The JUNIOR SCHOOL SECRETARY provides secretarial support to the Association.
The JUNIOR SCHOOL TREASURER is required to keep proper books of accounts on behalf of the Association and present an audited balance sheet at the Annual General Meeting.
The JUNIOR SCHOOL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (2-4) provide support to the Executive as required.

SUPPORTING OFFICE BEARERS:

PARENTS & FRIENDS FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVES: - (Three Delegates - Two from Senior Campus, one from Junior Campus)
These delegates actively represent the Association at Meetings and at the Federation’s Annual Conference. The delegates are required to report and consult on Federation activities to the Association at its monthly meetings.

COORDINATORS OF VARIOUS STANDING COMMITTEES (Austins Ferry Campus):
Association Members are required to act as coordinators for the following:

CATERING COORDINATOR – Normally calls on a network of helpers to assist when required.
FAIR COORDINATOR - To work with Executive and coordinate the Annual Fair.

**NOMINATION FORM**

I,------------------------------------------------------------------------------

wish to Nominate for the office of------------------------------------------------------------------------------

Signed:--------------------------------- Seconded:--------------------------------- Date:-----------------

Please return to the Austins Ferry Campus Office by Friday March 15 in an envelope addressed to:
Lynne Jones, President, SVC P&F Association


- Edmodo Flyer
- 2013 Instrumental Music Programme Enrolment Form
- 2013 Canteen Lunch Ordering Procedure
- 2013 Student Immunisation Information
- Tas Uni Hockey Information
- Derwent United Soccer Club Registration Information
- NSR Soccer Trials for players interested in playing in the USA
Each week boys at St Virgil’s College are involved in a wide range of exciting curricular and co-curricular experiences. These experiences provide a rich source of learning, fun and personal growth – here is just a snapshot of these activities, captured through the lens of Br Peter Flint, Miss Heidi Gregg and Mr Andrew Finelli.