FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MR DAMIAN MESSER

“Our talents are the gift that God gives to us... What we make of our talents is our gift back to God”.

Leo Buscaglia

Open Day and 2014 Enrolments

A very successful Open Day was held last Thursday at the Austins Ferry campus with many parents and their sons enjoying meeting our boys and seeing them at work and play. Our student leaders were highly informative tour guides with many prospective parents commenting on their exceptional inter-personal skills and the enormous pride they all had in, ‘their school’.

Open Day is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the length, depth and breadth of educational opportunities available to boys at St Virgil’s College. Our learning and teaching programmes are inspired and informed by our Catholic faith, our Edmund 2013 House Representatives Commissioning Ceremony

ST VIRGIL’S COLLEGE – THE STAR

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 8B

Wednesday March 27 – Easter Liturgy
Wednesday March 27 – JSSATIS Swimming Carnival – HAC
Good Friday – March 29
Easter Sunday – March 31

WEEK 9A

Easter Monday Public Holiday – April 1
Easter Tuesday Public Holiday – April 2
Friday April 5 – Formal Photos, Austins Ferry
Saturday April 6 – Head of the Lake, Lake Barrington

2014 ENROLMENT DATES

Junior School
Open Day
April 10

Grade 7 close
April 19

Grade 3 close
June 21

Grade II close
June 21

Enrolments to Guilford Young
Rice charism and our commitment to best practice educational pedagogy for boys. To deepen and enrich the education offered to boys, so as to enable each boy to develop his God given talents, the College provides a broad range of curricular and co-curricular endeavours including music, performing arts, service activities, sport and outdoor education. These were all on show for all to see and experience at Open Day.

As I wandered around the College on Open Day it was hard not to be taken by the sense of awe and excitement in the eyes of prospective students and their parents. It was also impossible not be filled with pride in our College, our staff and our young men who are without doubt the best endorsement of the education we provide at St Virgil’s.

In terms of 2014 enrolment, a reminder that enrolment for Grade 7 close on April 19, the final day of Term 1. If you have a son coming into St Virgil’s next year or know of anyone who may wish to send their son to the College, please remind them of this date and ensure the enrolment paperwork is lodged.

Junior School Open Day
The Junior School will be holding an Open Day on Wednesday April 10. Tours can be arranged on request. Please call the Junior School on 62342440 to arrange a visit.

Transport to and from School
When travelling to and from school, students are reminded that they need to take the quickest and most direct route. It has become apparent this term that some boys have not been making every effort to get to school on time. Timetables for bus routes are available on the Metro web site (www.metrotas.com.au) or by contacting Mr Simon Orlowski, the Director of Transport.

If there is a reason for students to be in the Hobart CBD or the Glenorchy or Eastern Shore shopping precincts, parents/guardians are asked to please send a written letter to either the Austins Ferry or Junior School office. Teachers will be present in these locations outside school hours and boys who are seen will have their names given to the Deputy Principal. If a boy is seen in these areas and has not provided a written request to the school, it can only be assumed that they are there without parental consent and for the wrong reason.

No student should be seen in town unless prior approval has been given.

Thank you to all those parents who have taken the time to monitor their sons travel patterns to and from school.

St Vincent de Paul Mass
Last Thursday evening I attended the annual St Vincent de Paul Youth Induction Mass at the Cathedral. We had three groups of students in attendance; our Mini Vinnies, Grade 7 Executive and Senior Executive. The Archbishop commissioned the boys for their role and pledged his support and thanks for the work they do in the area of service.

Senior School Interim Report
Next Thursday afternoon the Interim Report for 2013 will be posted to parents and guardians. Along with this report will be the Parent/Student/Teacher conference request form. Please return this form by the required date.

The Parent/Student/Teacher Conference day is Tuesday April 16 from 9am to 8.20pm. This is a student free day for Senior School (Austins Ferry) students. Parents are reminded that students should attend these interviews to encourage a productive three-way conversation between students, staff and parents.

New Beginnings
Yesterday the New Beginnings programme concluded for 2013. Having visited each group, it was pleasing to see that the boys were thoroughly engaged and enjoying the opportunity to get to know each other and staff on a level outside of the classroom. I take this opportunity to thank all staff involved in our wonderful induction programme.
Community Lunch
On Friday April 12 at 12 noon the St Virgil’s College Community is hosting its second annual ‘Luncheon with the Stars’ at Blundstone Arena. This year the luncheon will feature new North Melbourne Football Club CEO Carl Dilena and Kangaroos Key Forward – Drew Petrie, a graduate from a fellow EREA school. I encourage all members of the community to consider getting a table together and making this a great celebration of our closely knit community. A flyer for the luncheon can be downloaded at http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/old/

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

“The Hurting Game is an entertaining way to show students how ongoing negative relationships, at school and online, affect self-esteem”.

Next week is a shortened week, but no less filled with experiences for our boys. On Tuesday we have the Brainstorm Theatre company performing, ‘The Hurting Game’ to Grade 8 and 9 students. Brainstorm Productions provides anti-bullying education through performance and have been touring in schools throughout Queensland, New South Wales, ACT, Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania for almost 30 years. The Hurting Game is an entertaining way to show students how ongoing negative relationships, at school and online, affect self-esteem. The show is action packed, humorous and episodic, engaging even the toughest audience.

On Wednesday we look forward to celebrating the Lenten period with Liturgy. Gathering in prayer is a most important part of our College life and is a tangible sign of our commitment to our Catholic Faith. My thanks to the group of staff and students who have joined to plan and prepare an appropriate and engaging ceremony.

Uniform

I have spoken to all Grade levels recently about the need to wear the College uniform with pride, particularly when in public. The large majority of our boys wear their uniform impeccably but I have been disappointed to hear from members of our community of a few boys not wearing the uniform in a manner that is expected. All boys are reminded that they are very visible when in public and that members of our community feel strongly enough to notify us when boys do not present the College in a positive light. I always appreciate feedback from our community.

Student Leaders

Now that New Beginnings has finished I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the student leaders who assisted at the Grade 7 outdoor experience. What a wonderful job they did in assisting the junior boys to transition into understanding the spirit of St Virgil’s College. These boys certainly ‘walk the walk’.

Work Submission Grade 7 to 10

It is well documented that boys require very firm structures and guidelines.

A reminder that when a student has failed to submit a piece of work or homework by the required date one of the following actions will be taken:

- A note will be written in the student’s diary. We ask that all such diary notes have a parent signature.
- Should a student fail to submit the piece of work or homework by the revised date, the Head of House or the teacher concerned will make contact with parents.
- If a student again fails to submit the work the Head of House will issue an ‘academic detention’ - (after school).
- As always, the College will work to support parents with any such procedure to ensure the best outcome for the boys.
COLLEGE PSYCHOLOGIST (PROVISIONALLY REGISTERED)

ALI MORSE

Tackling the Tough Stuff
Dr Bobby Newman PhD, BCBA will be visiting Hobart on April 24 for one day only and will be presenting two workshops - one on challenging behaviours, the other on puberty and sex education for children with developmental disabilities. Dr Newman is a registered psychologist from Long Island, New York and has a long and successful career in the area of behaviour intervention working with individuals, particularly those with Autism Spectrum Disorders. He is an engaging and dynamic speaker and has wonderful stories to tell. He speaks in a way that everyone can understand and doesn’t shy away from the "tough stuff"!

The workshop is open to parents and professionals with an emphasis on parent information sharing and training. $30 per session or $50 for both.

Interested people can contact me by Phone: 62 496 555 or amorse@stvirgils.tas.edu.au for a registration form that contains all the information needed about the workshops.

JUNIOR SCHOOL

MR ANDREW PINELLI, HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

“To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each member of the family has to become, in a special way, the servant of the others”.  

(Pope John Paul II)

iLearn FAQ Brochure
Today all boys from the Junior School will be bringing home a brochure that attempts to respond to the many questions parents and their sons have been asking in regards to the St Virgil’s College iPad programme. We have tried to prioritise the questions answered to address the issues identified during the recent parent/teacher interviews. Please take the time to read through the question and answer format. If parents have additional questions that they would like answered, please forward them to Mr Andrew Pinelli. Already, a second brochure is being prepared to address other questions that have been raised, including how parents can best utilise the Edmodo learning portal.

IPSHA Leadership Day
Yesterday Grade 6 SRC and Sports Captains travelled to Launceston with Mr Waugh for the IPSHA Leadership day. The boys travelled with students from St Mary’s College and joined with student leaders who attend other independent schools in Tasmania. A guest speaker, Constable Ross McIvor Officer in Charge of Launceston PCYC, spoke to the group about leadership and his variety of life experiences. The boys were placed into groups with children from the other schools to participate in a range of activities. All the boys reported that they had an enjoyable day, whilst learning invaluable lessons about leadership that will assist them with their roles in 2013.

STCPSSA Swimming Carnival
Today a group of boys is enjoying the challenge of competing against other students at the STCPSSA Swimming Carnival. We hope the boys had a lot of success which we will be able to share with you in next week’s edition of The Star.
Traffic and students safety
The College urges all parents to support road safety by obeying no stopping or limited timed parking signage displayed around the College and to also remind your children to be very aware of potential related dangers.

Sometimes for example, motorists do not abide by road laws, and if students are crossing inappropriately or just not aware of their surrounds by looking either way, the potential for an accident is frighteningly significant.

The education and care of our students is a partnership between the students, staff and parents and we all need to do our bit by acting appropriately and not showing a disregard for road laws.

Mini-Vinnies
Thank you to the families who have generously responded to our request for Easter egg donations. Annually, the Junior School Mini-Vinnies boys organise an Easter egg raffle as part of their fundraising drive. Tickets in the raffle are now on sale at the Junior School. There is also a guessing competition. Thank you in anticipation for your support.

Open Day – Wednesday April 10
The Junior School annual Open Day will be held on Wednesday April 10 with tours of our fantastic facilities available for families wishing to enrol their son. If you are aware of family and friends who may be considering enrolment in the future please encourage them to attend. Please contact the Junior School Office on 6234 2440 to arrange a time for a tour.

Formal Photos – Thursday April II
This year, our formal photographs will be taken on Thursday April II. Due to the significance of these photos, all boys MUST be in their formal uniform on this day. Order envelopes for the photos are expected to arrive very soon. Thank you in anticipation for your support.

Grandparents and Special Persons Day Friday April 12
Please ensure this date is marked in your diary for a visit to the Junior School Campus. Further details about this activity will be coming home with the boys very soon.

Religious Education and Outreach News
Mrs Fiona Chambers

Teaching the concepts and events of Lent and Easter
During the season of Lent, classroom teachers have been focusing on teaching the boys about the meaning and the events of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday and concluding with Holy Week. In the modern era the emphasis is on doing, rather than giving up things during Lent. The themes of almsgiving, prayer and fasting are discussed. We also learn about and participate in the Caritas Project Compassion materials and fundraising. There is a wonderful iPad app developed by Caritas that provides a daily prayer and reflection and allows the boys to access the stories of Caritas people and projects throughout the world. Some of the classes have been using this.

In teaching and discussing Easter we are guided by the Church. Throughout Lent we prepare for Easter. To celebrate Easter before the time is taking away from the great significance of this amazing event. We celebrate Easter during the Easter Season which is for a whole 50 days from Easter Sunday until Pentecost and then on each Sunday. We try in school to follow what the Church does and not pre-empt or anticipate a season.

Mini Vinnies Raffles
Please support the Mini Vinnies boys selling raffle tickets for the Easter Egg raffles and guessing competition. All proceeds go directly to our Caritas Project Compassion fundraising. The cost of the guessing competition and raffle are 50c each or three for $1.
Holy Week: Pause for Prayer
During Holy Week we will pause for a short, whole school prayer at the end of Recess each day. On Holy Thursday our Liturgy will be held at 2pm in the Junior School Hall. Parents are welcome to attend.

Caritas Cup Afternoon
On Monday March 25 we will hold our annual Caritas Cup afternoon. The afternoon will be held during normal class time and various events will be run by Aussie Sport Leaders. Boys will compete in Houses for the coveted Caritas Cup, won in 2011 by Dwyer and in 2012 by Doyle.

We begin the activities with a prayer and then launch into the events, which include, the water for life relay, newspaper soccer, tug of war and basketball hoops. The afternoon always provides a lot of fun and excitement, but more importantly it is a time to reflect on the important work of Caritas. The boys are asked for a gold coin donation which contributes to our fundraising efforts.

St Mary's Cathedral Holy Week Mass Times
Tuesday March 26: Chrism Mass: 7:30 PM
Holy Thursday: 7:30 PM (Mass of the Lord’s Supper )
Good Friday: 3:00 PM (Solemn Commemoration of the Lord’s Passion )
Holy Saturday: 7:30 PM (Solemn Vigil of Easter )
Easter Sunday: 10:30 AM (NO EVENING MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY)

Reconciliation
Holy Saturday: 10:00 AM (to 10.30 am Sacrament of Penance )
Saturday: 5:00 PM (to 5.30 pm)

For all other Parishes, please check Parish Bulletins for details.

Canteen
Mrs Olga Leon
Wednesday March 27  Sheree Kemp / Jayne Duffy
Thursday March 28  Jillian Mooney / Tammy Donohue
Friday March 29  Good Friday
DIRECTOR OF LEARNING AND TEACHING

MISS HEIDI GREGG

Interim Reports
At the end of next week we will be posting home your son’s Interim report. The aim of this report is to give you an indication of his early progress in each area. Feedback will be given on the following areas:

- **Self management and awareness**: this includes your son’s management of his own behaviour, his resilience and perseverance, his ability to adapt and his time management.
- **Engagement with learning**: this includes your son’s completion of work, generation of ideas and goals, participation in class activities and organisation.
- **Social management and awareness**: this includes your son’s ability to form positive relationships, cooperation with others, communication skills, group participation and his respect for others.
- **Achievement of Learning**: this is an indication of your son’s academic progress so far this year. Specific grades will be given on the mid-year report and final reports.

Each of these areas will be rated using the following scale:

- **Exceeding expectation**
- **Meeting expectation**
- **Working towards expectation**
- **Cause for concern**

The Parent Student Teacher Conferences, to be held on Tuesday April 16 are an excellent opportunity for you, your son and his teacher to talk and help to devise strategies for improvement and continued success. You are encouraged to attend as many conferences as you wish on the day. It is likely that if your son has a number of ‘Cause for Concern’ ratings, the teacher will request a conference. If this is the case, please make every effort to attend, so that these concerns can be promptly addressed.

Director of Music

Mr Jeremy Williamson

Whitefriar’s College Visit – Billets Needed!

The College is delighted to be hosting the Senior Band from Whitefriar’s College in Melbourne from Monday afternoon April 8 to Friday morning April 12. Whitefriar’s College is a Catholic Boys school with a band of 30 students – 29 of whom need
billeting with families from the College community for four nights. The ages of boys are between 13 and 17.

The students would ideally be billeted in pairs or singles, though more could be together if you have room.

Families will need to provide billets with breakfast and dinner each day. Lunch will be provided by the College. Transport to and from school is also required. This could be in the family car with your son or the Whitefriar’s students will pay their own bus fare if that is your son’s mode of transport.

During the school day the students will be in the care of teachers from Whitefriar’s and St Virgil’s College. Families billeting students will be provided with emergency contact details for Whitefriar’s teachers and will be able to contact them immediately should there be any issues or concerns. Whitefriar’s will be staging two evening performances:

• Hobart Jazz Club, at the Claremont RSL on Tuesday April 9. This will be a great opportunity to visit the club as a family, and enjoy a great concert. Billeted students will need to be picked up after this concert around 9:30pm.

• St Virgil’s College will be hosting a combined St Virgil’s and Whitefriar’s Concert in the JPC, commencing at 6:00pm and finishing at 7:30pm on Thursday April 11. The St Virgil’s Senior Band will be performing at this event.

We would greatly appreciate if St Virgil’s families can help with this fantastic week of music sharing with Whitefriar's College. Our intention as a Senior Band is to travel to Melbourne at the end of 2014 and work with Whitefriar’s College, where the billeting of our students will be reciprocated, highlighting the value of forming a good relationship with Whitefriar’s students and staff. Please consider what you can do to help and contact the College ASAP to indicate if you can. You can do this by phoning or emailing Mr Williamson the Director of Music on jwilliamson@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

DIRECTOR OF TRANSITION

MR CAMERON ALEXANDER

New Beginnings

This week marks the end of the four-week ‘New Beginnings’ Programme for Grade 7 students. Over this period we hope boys have been challenged to try something new, learnt about the traditions and history of the College, made new friends, built strong relationships with staff and established a strong bond to the College community.

Each boy has completed a number of tasks in their New Beginnings booklet. Boys are encouraged to keep these in a safe place as a memento of the start of their journey through secondary school. I also encourage parents to take some time to sit with their son and look through the book discussing what topics were covered in the programme and using this as a conversation starter about their sons transition into the College.

Grade 10 Work Experience

To assist with the planning of the work experience programme we ask that all forms are returned to the Front Office by Monday March 25. This allows enough time for prospective host employers to be contacted and placements confirmed. Any enquiries can be made to Mrs Cindy Gangell at the Front Office or by email cgangell@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

Time and Space Programmes

This week parents of boys in Grade 7, 9 and 10 should have received in the post information regarding Time and Space programmes in coming weeks. If you did to receive this information the Flyer for the Grade 7 Mother/Son night and the Grade 9 and 10 Time and Space programme are attached. If you have further questions about either programme please feel free to contact me by phone or email: calexander@stvirgils.tas.edu.au
HOUSE NEWS

HESSIAN HOUSE FUNDRAISER

In Hessian 2 we are currently working a project to raise money for Caritas Australia through the project compassion fundraiser. Our pastoral care teacher Mr Ayers presented us with the idea of raising awareness of water quality in Africa. Dr Tony Flynn who is a professor at the department of engineering at the Australian National University came up with a brilliant idea to provide good water for those who live in poverty. He presented himself with the challenge of coming up with a simple way of purifying water using resources available to everyone in Africa. He found that if he mixed used coffee grounds, which are readily available in Africa, with clay he could make a filter. He then had to find something that he could use a fuel to heat the pots. He found Cow dung!

The process is simple - mix coffee grounds with clay and shape the clay into a pot. The pot is then filled with water, which in Africa is almost always contaminated with bacteria, and heated so that the coffee grinds burn out and allow the water to pass through but stops the bacteria from passing through. We as a pastoral care group are going to make these clay pots and sell them to raise funds. Our main mission of this fundraiser is not to make money, but to raise awareness about water quality and sanitation in Africa. We will be letting people make these pots and take them home for just $5. To order a pot please email Mr Ayers – jayers@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

SPORT NEWS

Athletics
Mrs Rosemary Coleman

“ST VIRGIL’S ATHLETES STAR AT AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS" 

Recently three St Virgil’s students competed at the Australian Junior Track and Field Championships in Perth Western Australia in hot, humid conditions and with great success.

The always amazing Bini Hagos captured the hearts of the Tasmanian athletic fraternity, winning the Under 18 2000M Steeple Chase in a new personal best time of 6.09.42, culminating in a historical event; Tasmania’s first trifecta in the event at the National Championships!

Bini also won the silver medal in the Under 17 3000M, in a time of 8.41.56, a new State record, despite being sick. Unfortunately Bini was unable to complete a hat trick due to a severe bout of tonsillitis.

Jacob Despard showed great determination throughout his difficult campaign in the 100 and 200 metres double. After finishing the heat, semi-final and the final, Jacob was unlucky not to have medalled in the 200M coming fourth (22.37) in a competitive field of thirty six athletes. All athletes were competing in the race for selection in the World Youth Championships. Jacob’s 100M (11.30) was equally exciting, as he reached the 100meters final. Suffering a slight back strain, he was unable to perform well out from the blocks and ended up a credible sixth position.

Jack Hale competed in the Under 16 long jump. Jack soared through into the top eight and was selected for the final. Unfortunately Jack fouled on a couple of occasions, resulting in posting only one legal jump. However despite this Jack managed to gain sixth position overall in Australia. A great effort!

Jacob Despard was also selected by Athletics Australia to run in the Perth Classic (a major event for elite Australian athletes) in the 100M. Jacob ran really well, despite his back injury and will run at the prestigious Stawell Gift at Easter.
Congratulations to all boys who once again showed the true St Virgil's spirit and determination throughout the entire Championship. I would just like to mention the leadership qualities that Jacob also displayed in mentoring other athletes from the Under 14 to Under 20 age groups.

Bini triumphant gold - trifecta in Tasmanian history

Basketball
Grade 7 Basketball
SVC Chargers 12 lost to Dominic 78
SVC Dingos 68 defeated Hutchins 6
SVC Devils 25 lost to Lost SHC 35

Grade 8 Basketball
SVC 25 lost to Dominic 28

COLLEGE COMMUNITY NEWS

Uniform Shop
Mrs Cindy Gangell
Blazers are now in stock.

2013 UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

SENIOR SCHOOL CAMPUS
Tuesday and Thursday 8.30 am to 3.30 pm

JUNIOR SCHOOL CAMPUS
Tuesday 8.30 am to 9.30 am
Thursday 2.00 pm 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. If you can assist with canteen duty please contact Carol at the College or email chilyer@stvirgils.tas.edu.au
Please remember to organise a replacement if you cannot make your rostered time or call Carol on 0402 324 095.

**Hot Cross Buns**

Available from Monday March 25 to Thursday March 28 in the College Canteen. Warm, buttered hot cross buns available for breakfast before school for just $1.
Parents and Friends Association
Mrs Lynne Jones, President

Annual General Meeting

It was very pleasing to see a good turnout for the P & F AGM on Tuesday evening and especially to see some new faces to our meetings. The Election of Office Bearers for 2013/2014 was undertaken, with the following parents elected:

PRESIDENT: Lynne Jones
VICE PRESIDENT: Paul Webb
VICE PRESIDENT JUNIOR SCHOOL: Michael Moschogianis
SECRETARY: Leon Ashlin
SECRETARY JUNIOR SCHOOL: Sharni Hanigan
TREASURER: Sue Roberts
TREASURER JUNIOR SCHOOL: Bill Cranny
EXECUTIVE MEMBERS: Cindy Gallahar, Janine Kemp, Narelle Freckleton, Natali Cox, Sally Crosby

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS JS: Tony O’Connell and Jocelyn Huigsloot

My sincere thanks to all those who put forward nominations and accepted nominations. I know we will have a very successful year of fundraising and events.

I would also like to sincerely thank all our outgoing Office Bearers for their hard work and commitment, especially Alison Aggenbach (retiring Treasurer) and Sally Crosby (retiring Secretary/Catering Coordinator). I would especially like to thank Sally for numerous years of service to the Committee.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday April 16 at 7.30pm in the Joyce Performance Centre. This is Parent Teacher Evening so we are hoping that as you may be in the school already you might like to pop along and join us for a meeting.
Parents and Friends Association – Term 1 and 2 Fundraiser – The Entertainment Guide
Mrs Jackie Geale

The Entertainment Books is Coming Soon so Pre-Order your copy NOW and receive $200 worth of Bonus Vouchers. But be quick as there are only a limited number of bonus vouchers available.

Please help us raise funds for all students of St Virgil's College
Pre-order an Entertainment™ Book today to receive over $200 in additional offers!

20% of your Book purchase goes towards our fund-raising for St Virgil's College
Pre-order benefits are available for a limited time only, while stocks last.


When making on line orders please use one of the following links, depending upon which campus your son attends:
The Senior School link to ordering the book is: https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/242878

Each Tasmania Entertainment™ Book contains over $15,000 in valuable offers. Here is just a taste of some of the valuable offers in the new Book:

College Contact: Jackie Geale
St Virgil's College

Phone: 0418450050 | Email: jackiegeale@bigpond.com
FINAL CALL: World Youth Day Rio!
This is your last chance to join with an intimate group of young Tasmanian adults as we journey to Rio de Janeiro for the largest and most vibrant celebration of young people in the world! This is the most unique WYD experience yet with an opportunity to partake in mission whilst being hosted by a parish in an impoverished part of Santiago, Chile. Our pilgrimage departs July 13, 2013 and you must be aged 18 – 35 as at departure date.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE TUESDAY MARCH 26.** For all your information and to obtain an application pack go to: [www.wydtas.org.au](http://www.wydtas.org.au) or contact Rachelle Smith at Catholic Youth Ministry on rachelle.smith@aohtas.org.au or 0400 045 368

**QUIZ NIGHT: WYD Fundraiser**
Are you the smartest school in the south of the state? WYD13 pilgrims invite you to a Quiz Night raising funds for the Tassie WYD project (including supporting young people in Tasmania and Chile) on **Friday April 12** at Sacred Heart College, New Town. Cost is $15pp and includes your first drink and nibbles. Get a table together, and we’ll find out who is the smartest and the bravest school of all! The most well represented school, parish or group will win a prize. Contact Catholic Youth Ministry to book your tickets today: 6208 6274 or 0400 045 368 or rachelle.smith@aohtas.org.au

**Donations:** If you are able to assist with donations of prizes for the evening (there will be a Quiz held in the South on Fri and in the North on Sat) we would love to hear from you. We need prizes for tables, individuals, and for auction. Please contact Catholic Youth Ministry as above. Thank you!


- Edmodo Flyer
- 2013 Instrumental Music Programme Enrolment Form
- 2013 Scholarship Information
- SVC Community ‘Luncheon with the Stars’ Flyer
- Junior School iPad programme – FAQ Brochure
- Grade 7 Mother and Son Evening
- Grade 9 and 10 Time and Space Programme
- Centacare ‘Engaging Adolescents’ Workshops
- OAMPS Tasmanian Schools Sailing Regatta and Youth Championships
- Ignite – Call for papers and conference details – Tasmanian Association for the Gifted Inc.
- Hamilton and District Agricultural Show
Eating like a King on Grade 7 camp!

Grade 7 Service activity at Bridgewater Garden - New Beginnings

Grade 7 Service activity at Bridgewater Garden (left) and SATIS Swimming

A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE COLLEGE

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 and Mr Andrew Pinelli.