FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MR DAMIAN MESSER

“The greatest achievement of the human spirit is to live up to one’s opportunities and make the most of one’s resources”.

AFL Maths Challenge
A couple of weeks ago every student in the Junior Campus participated in the Mathletics AFL Maths Challenge. For a week the task was to play ‘live Mathletics’ as much as possible. The final results were fantastic with St Virgil’s Junior Campus placing first in Tasmania!

Cause for even more celebration was that in the Grades 4 to 6 category, St Virgil’s placed 4th in Australia. Congratulations to every student in the junior school on their participation in such a worthwhile event and to the parents who allowed their...
sons to play mathletics on their iPad whenever there was a free minute!

**Junior School Fair**
I look forward to seeing you all at the St Virgil’s Junior School Fair this Sunday. The Fair runs from 11am to 2pm and promises to be another day of fine food and fun activities. If you have any free time this weekend it would be great to see you there with family and friends.

**Race Day**
I encourage all in the St Virgil’s community who are available on Sunday September 21 to attend the annual College Race Day. Come along and enjoy a delicious lunch with staff and members of the College community in the surroundings of the members area. Tickets can be purchased at [http://www.easybookings.com.au/event/st-virgils-college-community-race-day](http://www.easybookings.com.au/event/st-virgils-college-community-race-day)

**Middle Management Appraisals**
In the coming weeks a number of staff in middle leadership positions will undergo an appraisal aimed at affirming the strengths of their leadership and helping to set goals for further professional growth.
I thank Mr Michael Horsley and Mr Paul Williams from EREA for undertaking the appraisal interviews.

**Sports Finals**
Congratulations to all students who have been playing in winter finals matches during the past couple of weeks. It is always great to see the enthusiasm from the boys who participate in the sporting experiences offered. Thank you to all the teachers, parents, friends and senior students who willingly assist with coaching or managing teams in the winter sports roster.

**Old Virgilians and College Bands Concert**
What an amazing night of music last Friday in the JPC! Our College Band commenced the evening in fine style with a wonderful, eclectic set of brilliantly performed songs. After a brief intermission the crowd were enthralled by a number of incredible performances from old scholars and members of the music team. It was great to welcome back old scholars Andrew Colrain (vocalist), Nicholas Nugent (saxophone), Aaron Entresz (jazz guitar), Zac Spinks (guitar) and Liam O'Leary (drumkit) who so tangibly demonstrated the exciting and rewarding pathway that beckons for our current crop of talented musicians.

Thank you sincerely to our tireless Director of Music Mr Jeremy Williamson and staff members Mitch Ellis, Hamish Houston and Steve Hall for a wonderful night of entertainment.

**Austins Ferry Change of Date – House Beach Bonanza Day**
Members of the Austins Ferry campus are asked to please adjust their calendars in regards to House Beach Bonanza Day. The new date for HBBD will be Wednesday October 22. This is the final House event for the secondary school and more details will be provided to students prior to the event.

**NAPLAN**
Earlier this week all students in Grade 3, 5, 7 and 9 would have received their NAPLAN results from the test completed in May this year. A reminder that this information is a snapshot of academic progress taken from a one day test and should therefore be looked at in conjunction with other student assessment and progress in other school programmes.

**Clarence Eisteddfod**
It was pleasing to see the number of students who performed in the recent Clarence Eisteddfod in either the Concert Band or Choir sections. All students who performed did a wonderful job and should be congratulated for the time and effort they put into the preparation of their performance.
A special mention to the Grade 6 Concert Band who won their section and to the Senior Choir who received a Merit for their performance. A big thank you to the staff involved for the time and effort in preparing the students and thank you and well done to the boys for their performances which continue to reinforce our strong traditions within the performing arts.

Grade 10 Final Week 2014
Listed below are the key events, dates and times for the conclusion of Grade 10 2014. I will send every parent a more detailed account in the mail in the coming weeks. I ask you to please mark these events in your calendar.

**Wednesday November 19 – Monday November 24**
Examination Period

**Tuesday November 25**
11.30am - Old Virgilians Association Annual Mass, St Mary’s Cathedral
7.00pm – Leavers’ Dinner, Edmund Rice Hall, Austins Ferry

**Wednesday November 26**
Grade 10 Final Day on Campus

**Thursday November 27**
7.00pm - Thanksgiving and Awards Ceremony, Derwent Entertainment Centre

**Student Safety**
The health and wellbeing of our students is our paramount concern at St Virgil’s. Therefore it is of great concern to receive reports of cars driving too quickly up the driveway at Austins Ferry or outside the Junior School in Patrick Street. Students can move quickly and erratically and speeding in their vicinity increases the potential for a serious accident. Please exercise caution around our students and please obey all speed limit and other road safety signs.

**St Virgil’s College Website**
The Publicity Committee last week launched the updated website and it has been pleasing to see visitors already checking out the new features, including:

- Lunch order online payment (Junior and Senior campus);
- RSVP facility for all school events on the College online calendar;
- In the Schoolbag – where you can find a copy of all those notes that have not escaped from your son’s bag – or got lost on the kitchen bench!
- Old scholars “tell us your story” facility;
- Instructions for loading the SVC icon on to your smart phone or tablet; and
- A google map Bus routes feature which highlights where buses run relative to your home or other locations – with direct links to bus service timetables.

As always please give us your feedback - this can be easily done via the site – Contact Us – Send us a Message link.

**Upcoming Major Events**
September 14  Junior School Fair, 11 am to 2 pm
September 21  College Race Day
November 17  OVA Charity Golf Day

In the spirit of Blessed Edmund.

**Damian Messer**
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
MR TERRY BLIZZARD

“Evil happens when good men stay silent”.

Bullying
Today is RUOK Day? On this day we are all encouraged to stop and ask those around us “are you OK?”

As I have written previously, at St Virgil’s College we are committed to addressing the issue of bullying and harassment in a very serious way. Sadly bullying happens in all schools, but with the help of parents and students we can reduce it at St Virgil’s. In order for the school to carry out its duty of providing all students with a safe environment in which to learn, grow and develop, we regularly address the issue with students.

This week in our Welfare sessions with Grade 7 and 8 the topic of RUOK was highlighted. I would like to remind all boys and parents of the confidential notification service at Austins Ferry to report any instances of bullying.

Boys are encouraged to report the details to the following address: bullyreport@stvirgils.tas.edu.au which is a direct link to the Deputy Principal.

There are three groups involved in bullying who are affected:

The boy being bullied – who may experience effects on their health and wellbeing, including their sense of self and place in their world;

The bully – who needs to learn more appropriate ways of interaction and peaceful problem solving; and

The audience – who witness bullying.

The College is committed to helping all three groups so that we all feel safe and happy. Remember to ask “RUOK”?

Immunisations
A reminder to parents of Grade 7 and 9 boys that the next round of Immunisations will take place next Tuesday September 16. Any boy due for immunisation but absent on the day will need to make alternative arrangements through their GP or local Council.
Homework
It is an ongoing frustration for parents and teachers when boys say “they don’t have any homework”. Homework takes a number of forms:

- Finishing incomplete class work;
- Worksheets, questions and quizzes that reflect and reinforce what is being done in class;
- Research or planning for projects;
- Ongoing assignments; and
- Study.

It is perhaps the final point that is most important but most difficult for boys. For those parents looking for ways to support or motivate their son’s with homework the following might assist:

- Studies show that re-learning material (studying) is crucial in retaining information and that after five repetitions (of study activities) we can retain 95% of what we learnt, hence there should never be a time when there is no homework. Time spent re-organising and transforming class notes into different formats (drawings, flow chats, podcasts, flip cards etc.) is invaluable in retaining information. To use a sporting analogy, the best way to improve your goal kicking is to have lots of shots at goal.

- Finally, the big challenge for boys – silence! Encourage your son to spend at least 20 minutes of study time in silence. No texting, music, computer or iPad screens. Studies show that outcomes improve when students practice in the same conditions we want to perform in, i.e. the classroom. In the exam room for Grade 10s there won’t be music, mobile phones or computer screens!

Good luck – I am always available to any parent seeking support in this area.

COLLEGE MINISTER
BR PETER FLINT

Of late I have been struggling to respond to the Archbishop’s Pastoral Plan. I responded with six pages to one element and last night I finished to my response to his views on Catholic Schools. Then this morning I came across this quote from Pope Francis. I am re-doing my response to the Archbishop. I find it a marvellous statement, and one that we do strive for here and need to strive more.

“They must hear that Christ is not a character in a novel, but a living person, who wants to share their irrepressible desire for life, commitment, and dedication. If we content ourselves with offering them mere human comfort, we let them down. It is important to offer them the best we have: Jesus Christ, His Gospel, and with Him, a new horizon, which enables them to face life with coherence, honesty and high-mindedness. They see the evils of the world and do not keep quiet, they place their finger on the wound and ask for a better world, admitting no substitutes. They want to be in control of their present and builders of a future in which there is no place for lies, corruption and the lack of solidarity.”
Pope Francis; Audience with Commission for Latin America, Feb. 28, 2014

I am signed up for the National Catholic Reporters’ “Pope Quotes which many might find interesting - http://ncronline.org/blogs/francis-chronicles/pope-s-quotes-treasure-youth

Sacraments
Grade 7 boys have just completed a Religious Education Unit on the Sacraments of the Catholic Church. I am aware that some boys may like to explore a personal engagement with some of the sacraments that they have not received.

A boy may wish to:
- Be baptised.
- Make First Communion and Reconciliation.
- Be Confirmed.
- Have the opportunity to use the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

I’m leaving the sacrament of Matrimony out of it at the moment!

All of these, except possibly going to Confession, involve family decisions. I invite boy interested to make contact with me - pflint@stvrigils.tas.edu.au

Nothing would happen quickly.

Br Peter
COLLEGE PSYCHOLOGIST

MRS ALI MORSE

Anglicare’s 1,2, 3 Magic Course and Engaging Adolescents Course
It is very exciting to be able to offer two courses run by Anglicare to our St Virgil’s parents and staff. Parenting is one of the most important roles we will ever undertake and at times it can be challenging. These courses can help us to remove the trial and error of parenting and assist us in successfully raising children with whom we can enjoy happy and respectful relationships.

You might consider the following questions:
- Would you like to be able to manage your child’s behaviour without arguing and/or yelling?
- Would you like to learn how to use ‘emotion coaching’ to encourage positive behaviour in your child?
- Would you like to effectively manage challenging behaviours?
- Would you like to hear what are reasonable expectations to hold about your adolescent?
- Would you like to build a better relationship with your adolescent?
- Would you like to learn skills to help you tackle tough conversations with your adolescent?

If you answered ‘yes’ to any of the above questions, this course may be something you would be interested in attending.

We think that this information will be invaluable to the parents in our community. St Virgil’s College is offering workshops for parents of primary and secondary aged students free of charge.

Course Details

**Course 1: Engaging Adolescents**
Parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems!
A three-session program for parents and carers at
St Virgil's College ‘Joyce Performing Centre’
6.30 – 8.30 pm on Wednesdays 15 & 29 October, and 5 November

**Course 2: 1, 2, 3 Magic Course - For Parents of Young Children**
Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2–12 years old.
A three-session program for parents and carers at
St Virgil’s College Junior School.
6.30 — 8.30pm on Thursdays
30 October, 6 and 13 November

If you would like to register your commitment to attending either, or both of these programmes please access the course information flyers at [http://www.stvирgilis.tas.edu.au/news-publications/](http://www.stvирgilis.tas.edu.au/news-publications/)

I am looking forward to learning some new strategies. Hope to see you there!
JUNIOR SCHOOL
MR ANDREW PINELLI, HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

“I don’t think we give kids enough credit in their ability to stay focused when they’re doing work that matters.”

Will Richardson

Father’s Day Celebrations
Wonderful celebrations were held at the Junior School at the end of last week to commemorate Father’s Day. Many of the dads would have been very lucky last Sunday after their sons had thoughtfully purchased a gift from the P&F Father’s Day Stall.

Then, last Friday, we were so fortunate to have magnificent weather to have a shared breakfast for fathers and their sons wonderfully prepared by a willing group of mums.

AFL Maths Challenge
A couple of weeks ago every student in the Junior Campus participated in the Mathletics AFL Maths Challenge. Each student chose which AFL Team they wanted to represent by selecting the ‘team beanie’ for their avatar. For a week the task was to play ‘live Mathletics’ as much as possible.

At one stage, Sebastian Brown, in 5O was the number one student in Australia.
The end results were fantastic with St Virgil’s Junior Campus placing FIRST in Tasmania. Cause for even more celebration was that in the Grades 4 to 6 category, we placed 4th in Australia. Some individuals also recorded some impressive results with Ryan Borsboom finishing 7th and Joshua Wylie 11th in Tasmania. Congratulations to every student in the school on their participation in such a worthwhile event!

Mrs Jo Messer
Curriculum Coordinator

Clarence Eisteddfod
The Junior School is very proud of the achievements this week of the Choir and Grade 5 and 6 Bands. All the boys involved in these groups performed exceptionally well in front of very large audiences. For many, this was their first performance in front of the general public – well done boys! Congratulations also to all the staff from the Music Department for getting the boys so well prepared. Special congratulations to the Grade 6 Band who placed first in their class at the Eisteddfod.

Library News
Book Swap Day
Last Thursday boys from the Junior School offered their unused books from home in The Great Book Swap Challenge that was held in the library. Gold coin donations collected will be sent to promote literacy in remote indigenous communities across Australia and deliver new books to over 230 communities nationally. The books on offer were of a very good standard and the generous gold coin contributions raised over $150.00. All the boys offered ideas about why a Book Swap was a good idea. Some of the ideas offered were:

“You get a great quality book for a small price and it is cheaper than going to the store.”
“New books encourage you to read and try another author or series.”
“It’s good to support others who do not have good books or access to libraries.”
“You can clear out old books from your book shelf that you no longer read and introduce them to other boys.”
“It’s a fun idea and you get a new book to read and share, it’s a bit like recycling, and donating at the same time.”

This week in Library we will be celebrating the works of author Roald Dahl and the 50th anniversary of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – http://www.roalddahl.com/create-and-learn/join-in/roald-dahl-day
Junior School Fair
There has certainly been a hive of activity at the Junior School Campus during the week getting everything ready for the annual Fair which is on Sunday commencing at 11am. A huge thank you to all of our generous families who have donated so many items towards the success of the Fair. There are certainly going to be some wonderful items taken home on Sunday. A reminder that it is expected that all Junior School boys attend the Fair in their sports uniform.

We are also fortunate to have the Senior School Band performing at 11.45am and the Junior School choir performing at 12.45pm. We are looking forward to a fantastic day – let’s hope the weather is kind also!

Calendar update
Parents and guardians are reminded to subscribe to the College’s online calendar. The great advantage of this is that if there are necessary changes to dates these changes can be made immediately. Please check the calendar at: http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/calendar/

Significant, upcoming events are summarised below:

September
- P & F Junior School Fair
- Junior School Sport photos
- STCPSSA Cross Country
- SVC Community Race Day
- Grade 3 Camp
- Magical world of Crazy science Performance
- Assembly @ 2.30pm presented by Grade 4

October
- Term 4 commences
- October 13

Junior School Sport

Well done Felix!
Well done to Felix Kinghorn-Lewis (6W) who recently travelled to South Korea with the Tasmanian under 12 Representative Soccer team to compete in the Gyeongyu International Youth Football Tournament. The boys all had a great experience playing against some very technical teams from other countries including, Japan, Brazil and Korea. Felix as ever is right in the middle of the action (back row)!
Our Latest State Champions!
Well done to Max Giuliani, Tadhg Waddington and Joshua Wylie who won Gold medals at the Tasmanian Short Course Swimming Championships at the weekend. The result was just rewards for many hours spent training each week as well as great performances for the College at carnivals earlier in the year. Results:
- Max Giuliani – Gold medal II and Under 50 m and 100 m freestyle, Bronze medal 50 m backstroke
- Tadhg Waddington – Gold medal II and Under 100m m Individual Medley, Bronze medal 100 m freestyle
- Joshua Wylie – Gold medal 4 x 50m II and Under medley relay.

Basketball
Grade 5/6
SVC Green lost to Dominic
The Greens battled hard but were no match for an experienced and skilful Dominic outfit. With a number of absences the players literally ran themselves into the ground and were resolute in defence and enterprising in attack. Tadhg Waddington and Declan Cooke carried the ball well and set up opportunities for team members, whilst Harry Fisher and Hunter Cooke were stoic in defence. Jonathon Badenach played his best game for the season rebounding extremely well. Cameron Monks was enthusiastic in attack and scored the basket of the match!

Player of the Week: Cameron Monks for spectacular shooting!

SVC Gold 24 defeated Hutchins White 10
The boys continue to improve each week. Some excellent rebounding this week another great team performance.
Players of the Week: Jacob Blackwell awarded for great defensive pressure. Cooper Lockley awarded for great rebounding and team play.

SVC Gold 44 defeated SVC Blue 5/6 12
SVC Blue had a tough game against the SVC Gold team and we experienced our first loss for the season. The boys showed great determination and battled right to the end, with everybody working extra hard to fill the gap left by an injured player. It is impossible to single out one player as all the boys played at their very best, but SVC Gold played very well and were just too strong on the day.

Player of the Week: SVC Gold – Angus Lipscombe awarded for great all round skills.
Player of the Week: SVC Blue – A great team effort.
SVC Green 3/4 20 defeated Dominic Maroon 6
SVC Green gave a sensational performance. Their teamwork and sportsmanship was admirable with each player rising to the challenge.

Player of the Week: Liam Gerathy awarded for vastly improved performance.
Encouragement Award: Krystian Jankowiak awarded for great defence.

Junior School Canteen
Friday September 12  S Ashby / A Excell
Wednesday September 17  K Borsboom / T Noble
Thursday September 18  J Armstrong / K Bridgland
Friday September 19  R & L Langshaw

Help is needed for the following dates please;
October 23
November 2

If you can assist please contact Mrs Olga Leon – oleon@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

Our Amazing Catering Team – Father’s Day Breakfast!
**Service Learning Programme:**
This week the Year 9’s commenced their service Learning Programme with 9E the first group to head out into the community. The Service Learning experience is an integral part of our Grade 9 Religious Education programme. This experience will provide students with an opportunity to put into practice the Gospel Values in which we embrace as a school in the Edmund Rice Tradition. It will enable students to put the needs of others ahead of their own and to embrace our school motto “By deeds not words alone”.

Over the next three weeks the boys will nominate their destination of choice from the following options; St Vincent De Paul’s Community Growth Centre, Foodbank, Colony 47 and St Paul’s Primary school. Please view the dates below to see when your son will be participating and well done to 9E of their successful experience. Thank you.

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**Village Space Performance**

**By Luke Swinton**

On Tuesday September 9 Grade 8 students experienced a performance from the Village Space Theatre Company centred on the freedom rides for the rights of Australian Aboriginals in 1963-1965. Twelve of the Grade 8 students got to help out in the performance taking on the roles of students, Australian townsfolk, Indigenous Australians and other people who were involved in freedom rides. The performance was based on information found in the diaries and footage of the students who went on the freedom rides in the 1960s.

There were two parts of the story, the first part was based in a Sydney university where they explained how the movement got kicked off by the students and the integral role played by Charles Perkins. The second part was when the students were on the freedom rides to different towns and located in Northern Sydney and it highlighted the amount of racism and abuse
aborigines received. We all enjoyed the performance, the freedom rides was great way to learn about the context of the 1960s, but more importantly the struggle for equality among the Indigenous population.

**ACTING DIRECTOR OF LEARNING AND TEACHING**
**MR CAMERON ALEXANDER**

**Homework Club**
**Ms Claire Graham**
All students are invited to attend ‘Homework Club’ each Wednesday after school. A number of teachers will be present to provide assistance in a range of learning areas. Homework Club runs from 3.15 pm to 4.15 pm and students will be provided with a Milo and snack prior to the session commencing.

For more details please email cgraham@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

**Oliver**
Well done to Bailey Cowen, Alexander Thomas and Declan Anning who are part of the Orphan ensemble for the ExitLeft Spectacular OLIVER which is taking place at the Derwent Entertainment
This is a fun family musical and the boys have been busy rehearsing for the past six months and can’t wait for opening night. *Tickets are available through Centertainment, the Dec box office 7273 0233 or online exitleft.com.au*

**SPORT**
**Mr James Dalton**
*Director of Sport*

**Orienteering – Finding his Way!**
Well done to Jaidyn Gluskie who has been selected in the Tasmanian Orienteering Team to compete in the National Championships in Perth, Western Australia.

**1st XVIII Football**
The 1st XVIII progressed to the final of the Tassie Hawks Cup next week with a comprehensive 62 point win over a very determined new Town HS team. The margin didn’t adequately reflect the intensity of the contest which provided the team with the perfect preparation for a shot at back to back Tassie Hawks Cup titles.

The team played some excellent patches of football but will need to improve their concentration, team work and discipline if they are to repeat last year’s glory.
R U OK Day?
Mr Justin Mahoney
Leading Teacher health and PE

Today is R U OK Day? It is a national day of action to remind all Australians of the importance of asking our mates, colleagues and family “are you ok?” It’s on the second Thursday of every September (in 2014, September 11).

How Can a Conversation Change a Life?
Regular, face-to-face conversations can help us to build and maintain strong relationships with friends and family. In turn, research shows that people with these strong relationships are more likely to cope with life’s ups and downs.

Asking R U OK?
You’ve got what it takes
If your gut says something’s not quite right with someone, chances are that they might need a bit of extra support from the people around them. They might be acting a bit differently, seem to have a lot on their plate, or simply aren’t themselves. Don’t ignore those signs but instead take some time to start a conversation. Asking this question doesn’t mean you have to have all the answers if the person you’ve worried about says “no”. It’s not about being an expert. It’s about following some simple, caring steps. Head to www.ruok.org.au for more details about how to start these conversations.

THE STAR
THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ST VIRGIL’S COLLEGE COMMUNITY

DIRECTOR OF TRANSITION
MR CAMERON ALEXANDER

Australian Defence Force Career Expo

On Friday September 12 and Saturday September 13 the Australian Defence Force will be holding a career exhibition at Princess Wharf Number 1. Next Friday a group of 30 Grade 9 and 10 students will be attending the Expo during the school day. Students will receive more information this week, however all boys interested in investigating a career in the ADF are encouraged to attend on Saturday when it is open to the public. Details for the Saturday are below or can be viewed on line at:

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**RECRUITING STANDS**
- Healthcare, Science and Chaplaincy
- Logistics, Hospitality and Support
- Aviation
- Engineering
- Trades
- Australian Defence Force Academy
- Women in Defence

**UTAS College and High Achiever Program 2015 Information Session**

The UTAS College Program allows Year 11 and 12 students to study University level units at the same time or in addition to their TCE studies. The program provides great opportunities to extend and rewards hard-working students. The Program is offered in partnership with schools and senior secondary colleges. Individual University of Tasmania faculties and schools deliver programs within the over-arching UCP structure. Units are delivered through a combination of online and independent study undertaken at college or home supported by on campus workshops.

The UTAS College Program is HECS free for Year 11 and 12 domestic students and some units can contribute to theATAR. Successful completion of these units can also contribute to an Associate Degree or Diploma for students who continue onto higher education at the University of Tasmania.

**Details**

Tuesday September 16 2014

4:30pm – 6:00pm

University Centre Foyer, Sandy Bay Campus
Please note this is a flexible information session, attendance is not required for the full 90 minutes. We encourage you to attend at a time that suits you. For further information about the UTAS College Program and High Achiever Program please visit [www.utas.edu.au/cupp/ucp](http://www.utas.edu.au/cupp/ucp)

**Fairbrother – 2015 Carpentry Apprenticeship**

This week the College received information regarding applications for Carpentry apprenticeships with Fairbrothers in 2015. More information has been posted for interested Grade 10 students in the Grade 10 Welfare Edmodo group.

**Grade 10 Leavers Tops**

To ensure that tops will arrive at the beginning of Term Four it is essential that the balance of money due for all orders is paid in full no later than Thursday September 25. Payments can be made to the Office or via the College’s secure online payment gateway – [http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/shop-uniform/](http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/shop-uniform/)

The support of all boys and their families in meeting this deadline is encouraged so that boys will receive the tops in a timely manner.

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**FROM THE BUISNESS OFFICE**

**School Fees**

We would like to take this opportunity to provide a friendly reminder to parents with overdue fee accounts that Term 4 statements will be mailed home in the last week of this term. Therefore it would be greatly appreciated if any outstanding accounts could be finalised by Monday September 22.

We appreciate that all parents understand the importance of the College maintaining a healthy cash flow so as to continue to provide educational opportunities that benefit all boys at the College.

If you believe that you may not be in a position to finalise your fee account this term please contact either Mrs Narelle Green (n.green@stvirgils.tas.edu.au) or Mrs Tracy Moschogianis (t.moschogianis@stvirgils.tas.edu.au) in the Business Office to revise your current payment plan for school fees.

St Virgil’s College greatly appreciates the commitment of parents in meeting their fee obligations which assist with the smooth operation of the College and parents’ ongoing support of the College community.
COLLEGE COMMUNITY NEWS

Austins Ferry Canteen
Mrs Carol Hilyer

The Winter Menu is available on the website or students can obtain a copy at the Office or the Canteen.

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Help Needed

Uniform Shop
Mrs Cindy Gangell

2014 UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

SENIOR SCHOOL CAMPUS
Tuesday and Thursday 8.30 am to 3.30 pm

JUNIOR SCHOOL CAMPUS
Tuesday 8.30 to 9.30 am Thursday 2.00 to 3.30 pm

Leavers Tops – instalment payments can be made via the College's secure website payment portal - http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/shop-uniform/

ONLINE ORDERS
All online orders can be collected from recess (10.00 am) on Tuesday or Thursday at the Uniform Shop
If you have paid for an order and your son does not collect his order on these days you may collect at the Front Office on Wednesday and Friday.
ST VIRGIL’S COLLEGE PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

Mrs Susan Roberts,
President

2014 Twilight Fair
Monday November 10, Austins Ferry, 5pm

In order for our Fair to be a success, we will once again be calling upon the school community for assistance. We would like to urge all parents to answer our call to offer assistance and goods for the 2014 FAIR.

If there are any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact either Julie Doran on 0417 584 180 or Susan Roberts on 0416 278 721.

SENIOR SCHOOL MAJOR RAFFLE

This year we will again be running a Major Raffle. Details of our fantastic prizes will be announced soon!!!

A Raffle Ticket Book will be sent home to all Senior School families very soon.

The Raffle will be drawn at the Fair.

Please see below a form for families should they wish to kindly offer to donate additional prizes for the raffle or the chocolate wheel.

Please complete and return by Friday September 12 to: Susan Roberts, P & F President via the School office, or call her on 0416 278 721 or email twtt.rad@bigpond.com

| Student Name ____________________________ | Grade/PC _________________ |
| I / We are able to donate the following items for the **Chocolate Wheel** or **Raffle** (please circle your preference) |
| Parent(s) Name: ____________________________ |
| Contact Numbers: (H)___________________ (W)___________________ (M)____________________________ |
| Email: ___________________________________________ |
2014 TWILIGHT FAIR – PROPOSED STALLS

Student: ___________________________ PC Group: ______

Parent Name: ________________________________________________

Phone: (H) _______________ (M) __________________________

Email: __________________________________________________________

* Please return form to Front Office

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2014 JUNIOR SCHOOL FAIR

102 Patrick Street, Hobart

Sunday September 14 2014
11am to 2.00 pm

Come and enjoy a great day of fun, food and friendship! Highlights include the ever popular chocolate wheel, games, toys, wine tastings and a range of food delicacies to tempt all tastes.

Kids will love all the fun of the fair and especially the exciting Nerf Tag arena, 3 v 3 soccer arena, lucky jars, extreme makeovers, badge making, toys and much, much more!

*Please come along with all the family and spend a little – or a lot! All proceeds will go to the P&F for projects that benefit all students.*
2014 Community Race Day

All members of the St Virgil’s College community are invited to attend a great day of friendship and fun at the annual Community Race Day. Come along and bring your friends to enjoy a sumptuous luncheon in the Members Dining Room whilst backing a few winners! Businesses can sponsor a race and have their business name publicised around the nation via the Racing Networks and daily newspapers.

**DETAILS**

When: Sunday September 21, 2014

Where: Elwick Race Course, Members’ Enclosure

Time: 11.30 am

Dress: Lounge Suit

Cost: $60 per person or $600 for a table of 10 people for a three course luncheon in the Members’ Dining Room.

To purchase tickets for the 2014 St Virgil’s College Community Race Day please visit - to confirm your place and make payment.

For all enquiries regarding tickets or race sponsorship please contact the Director of Development Mark Waddington – mwaddington@stvirgils.tas.edu.au or 0429 990980.

- 2014 Instrumental Music Programme Enrolment Form
- North Hobart Junior Cricket Club Registration Flyer
- Redbanks School Mud Run Flyer
- 1,2,3 Magic and Engaging Adolescents Parent Workshops @SVC
- Australian Childhood Vision Impairment Register
- New Books in the Library – August 2014
- Glenorchy Cricket Club registration

Attention! Parishioners of St John the Baptist Catholic Parish!
Information meeting about Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist and First Reconciliation

You are invited to meet with members of St John the Baptist parish sacramental team to answer your questions about these sacraments.

- Baptism for older children
- Confirmation and First Eucharist for both primary and secondary students who have reached the age of reason (usually 7 years)
- Students baptised in other Christian traditions who have expressed a desire to be received into the Catholic Church

Two meetings will be held, the first at 7.00pm on September 23 and the second at 2.00pm on September 24. Both will be held in the parish meeting room at 62, Bowden Street, next to the church. Please attend whichever is most convenient.

It is a requirement of the Catholic Church that candidates have celebrated their First Reconciliation prior to making their First Eucharist. Preparation for the sacrament of First Reconciliation will occur during Term 4 this year.

Enquiries - Parish Office 6272 6363 or Jo 6273 1990.

Clarence Crocs Water Polo Club
Clarence Crocs need more players in the Under 14 and Under 16 age group for water polo.
Training is on a Tuesday night 7.30 to 8.30 at the Clarence Pool.
Games are on Friday night at the Aquatic Centre
Club competition starts this Friday 12 September.
Season fee is $150 for juniors which covers all training and competition costs.

Age Group Details:
12 and Under Mixed (Born 2003 or later)
14 and Under boys and girls (Born 2001 or later)
16 and Under boys and girls (Born 1999 or later)

For more information:
Lisa Harris: lisahar@bigpond.net.au; lisa.harris@tasnetworks.com.au
Gina Aitken: Aitken, Gina L (DHHS) Gina.Aitken@dhhs.tas.gov.au
HAVE FUN, MAKE NEW FRIENDS, AND LEARN ABOUT ANOTHER CULTURE!
Volunteer to host an international high school student arriving into Australia in July 2014, and you’ll be amazed at the way this unique and rewarding opportunity helps your family to become closer, to understand themselves better and to see the world in a new light.
Carefully selected students will arrive in July for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Spain and Colombia. They will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

Moonah-Lutana (St Therese’s Church) Parish
The parish of Moonah-Lutana (St Therese’s Church) is soon to begin a group preparation for any interested children over the age of seven for their First Reconciliation (First Confession). This of course will lead to preparation for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion next year.(registrations are requested by September 26 please) please contact the parish priest, Fr Stephen Hackett MSC or collect a Registration Form and the accompanying letter from him or the Church entrance.
Our Artists at Work!

Science

House Futsal

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.

Additional photos can be accessed at: Svcpics.phanfare.com

ST VIRGIL’S COLLEGE – THE STAR

Grade 7&8 Soccer

1st XVIII v New Town HS