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Term 1 Week 7



# De La Salle College Newsletter

**Catholic School for Boys in the Lasallian Tradition.**

**"De La Salle Creates Great Men of Learning, Community and Character."**

## From the Principal - Myles Hogarty

Tena Koutou Katoa, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Ni Sa Bula, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Malo e Lelei, Kumusta Ka, Greetings.

### Sport, Our Expectations

Our Summer sports teams are coming to the end of their seasons and winter sports teams have begun their preparations for another successful season. I spoke to our College Assembly this week about our young men taking the opportunities that are on offer at De La Salle because there is no easier or better time than their school days to be involved in sport and enjoying the playing of sports with their friends. Sadly I see many young men give up playing sport after finishing school for no other reason than the opportunity to stay involved falls back on them.

Sport is a big part of our school and big part of a young man's life. Sport is not an **either or option** – either sport or classroom learning. More a both and issue, where boys who are connected and engaged in sport are also connected to learning. We witnessed this very clearly at our College Assembly this week when several of the young men who were Awarded Certificates for Merit and Excellent Endorsements in Religious Studies and Health were also awarded medals for winning the Auckland Volleyball Championship.

So I thought it timely to discuss some guidelines we must adopt about playing sport at De La Salle.

- Winning at sport is important and I believe a natural motivator in young men – but not at a win at all costs level. The enjoyment of the sport itself and satisfaction of playing alongside your friends must also be the reason our young men play.
- The referee is always right – even when he is wrong. You may have a different view but frankly your opinion doesn't count. I have never known a referee to change their mind based on the comments from players on the field or from the sideline.
- Practice at sport is essential. The old saying of "practice makes perfect", is not quite correct, I prefer **"Correct practice makes permanent good."** so be careful what you practice"! It is important that boys commit to practice as much as the actual game.

- Fitness in any sport is a pre-requisite. Young men must not think that getting fit is the responsibility of the Coach. Getting yourself fit is your own responsibility as a young man, forget the gym work, do more laps running around the block.
- Sport is a vicarious experience. In the words of the famous tennis player Arthur Ashe, "Sports build good habits, confidence, and discipline. These traits make players into community leaders and teach them how to strive for a goal, handle mistakes, and cherish growth opportunities."
- Sport exposes character. The ability to play in a team, to turn up in all types of weather – to experience defeat and victory. At De La Salle we are constantly reminded, **"Win with Humility, Lose with Dignity."**
- Sport on Saturdays or mid-week is not a parental babysitting activity. Sport at De La Salle College is about involvement of parents and families – coaching, managing, scoring, supporting on the side-line etc. All part of the fine print of registration! Sadly modern sport as a commodity is becoming a breeding ground for entitlement and arrogance among men. As a College we need to ensure our De La Salle young men are committed, involved and competitive. Arrogance or trash talking to our rivals is not our style!
- I am looking forward to the winter season after our long hot summer, the tension of the final moments of the games and seeing the enjoyment that so many boys experience in playing sport with their friends.

#### Some reminders:

1. **College Fair – Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>** we need a huge crowd to come along and support our wonderful PTFA. Bring your family, friends and neighbours to our community event.
2. Coaches/ Managers for our College Sports teams. Contact Mr Perez our Director of Sport if you can give some time for our teams.

God Bless  
Myles Hogarty  
Principal

## Important Dates:

**Y9 Camp**  
18th – 22nd March

**PTFA Meeting**  
19th March 6pm  
26th March 6pm

**BOT Meeting**  
20th March 6pm

**School Fair**  
30th March



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## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - Mr English

### THE PRECIPICE

When we want ourselves or our lives to change we usually know what is needed. Sometimes we need someone close to us to let us know, but usually we already know it, for example, if we want to lose weight we know we should eat less and exercise more, or if we want better relationships we know that we shouldn't be so defensive. The problem comes when we get to the edge of the precipice. We look over the edge and the risk seems too big to face. 'If I'm not defensive I'll get blamed for everything', or 'If I just help everyone then no one will end up helping me', or 'If I speak in public people will judge me as a failure'. Usually that risk seems too big to take, the precipice seems too high. It's like jumping off the top of the ladder at To Sua.

This is where Lent comes in. Certainly a focus on giving something up is useful, but maybe this is the time we take that leap forward. Maybe I can sing at the front of church, maybe I can apologise to my brother whom I know I hurt, maybe I can make the morning bootcamp session, maybe I can read out in front of the class, maybe I can ask my teacher how to get Excellence. Faith is really about being uncertain but moving forward anyway. That is how our lives work. Look over that precipice then take a lenten leap.



## AP PASTORAL - Mr Charles

### Student Leadership

The importance of students taking ownership of their learning and having greater roles within school decision-making is increasingly recognised. Student leadership includes:

- Recognising that students have logical perspectives and opinions on issues that matter in the classroom, in the school, and in the community.
- Giving students an active role in influencing decisions about these issues as well as in the implementation of these decisions.

Enabling students to participate as active young citizens.

To further develop student leadership, students should be allowed to explore their leadership in the classroom, the school and in the community. This past Saturday under the leadership of Mrs Laumemea student received training to be effective classroom representatives. With ongoing support, the pool of student leadership is growing.



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## SPECIAL CHARACTER - Mr Tutaka



Kia Orana, Talofa lava, Malolelei and Kia Ora to you all!

We have started the season of Lent last Ash Wednesday at our liturgy. The powerful message of “turning back to God” was emphasised repetitively to students by our Chaplain, Fr Brian Prendeville. There was also a powerful witness where Fr Brian appointed a junior student, knelt before him for the student to put ashes on the Chaplain’s forehead.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of 40 days to Good Friday where our Lord died on the cross. The ash is a symbolism of our foundation and our creation from dust. It is re-echoed when the priest says, “you are dust and to dust you shall return.” We are created from dust. We come from the tiniest particles present to the naked eyes; dust! However, we are not only made of dust. We are also made of light. Again, the priest says, “Turn away from sin and believe in the Good News.” This Good News is Jesus who is risen from the dead. Jesus is the light whom we celebrate at Easter. Jesus rose from the dust or from death into the newness of light and life. We are all invited as Christians to participate in this newness of light and life. However, we can only rise into light if we humble ourselves into acknowledging that we are dust.

Students are encouraged to take this Lenten Season seriously and to make commitments to demonstrate humility from being dust and so to one day rise into God’s light. This season of Lent provides them with three challenges:

Give something up for Lent (Fast or Abstain from food or something to help you change)

Give to the poor (Donate money, food, clothing and your time to serve others)

Give your sins to God (Forgive those who hurt you, go to reconciliation and ask God for forgiveness)

We ask parents to encourage your son to commit to something in this season of Lent.

Live Jesus in our hearts! Forever!

## ICT—Mr Singh

### Cybersafety Guide

Instagram and Netsafe have partnered on **A Parent’s Guide to Instagram: New Zealand Edition 2019.**



Although young people are often digitally savvy, they’re still developing.

They may need your guidance on appropriate online behaviours and how to navigate challenges. Netsafe’s research shows that when young people do reach out for help, parents are still a place that many turn to for support. As a parent you don’t need to be an expert in technology, but being familiar with the technology that young people are using and the challenges that they may experience is a great start. This guide will give you that insight and prepare you to give your kids the guidance when they need it.

Download your free digital copy from [netsafe.org.nz/Instagram-guide/](https://netsafe.org.nz/Instagram-guide/)







## CURRICULUM- Mr Doyle



### NZQA Information Evening

Year 11 Dean Mr Hurst hosted Mr Ross Asiata from NZQA for a successful parent partnership meeting. Thanks to all the parents who attended.

### RE Endorsements

Congratulations to Ms Fouhy her RE Faculty. A huge increase in endorsements in 2018.



### Assessment has started!

This week you will have seen on the calendar on the Parent Portal Notices that there are assessments due in almost all Senior subjects in the next few weeks. For Year 11 we have assessments in RE, Mathematics, Science and English underway.

Many of our senior students start the school year with enthusiasm. By the middle of Term 2 we start to see in some students motivation waning, a drop off in focus in lessons, increased anxiety about the work needed to be done. While many students are fine, some students actually feel almost paralysed by indecision. But if we can recognise it and plan for it we can help keep our young men on track. If you notice your son struggling to get organised make contact with his Subject teacher, Homeroom Teacher, Dean.

## RE Endorsements

# CONGRATULATIONS





## ENDORSEMENTS

### Physical Education



### Social Sciences



<b>Level 1 Endorsement with Merit</b>			
<b>Level 1 History</b>	Nerony Evile	Sunia Filimoehala	
<b>Level 1 Economics</b>	Fred Gasu		
<b>Level 1 Accounting</b>	Manu Saipani	Seth Apelu	Halelluah Mea'ole-Naea
<b>Level 1 Geography</b>	Halelluah Mea'ole-Naea		
<b>Level 1 Endorsement with Excellence in Accounting</b>	Fred Gasu		
<b>Level 2 Endorsement with Merit</b>			
<b>Level 2 History</b>	Sanalilo Halalilo		
<b>Level 2 Accounting</b>	Alexander Biparva		
<b>Level 2 Business Studies</b>	Alfred Mafi		
<b>Level 3 Endorsement with Merit</b>			
<b>Level 3 History</b>	Peter Loma Malifa		
<b>Level 3 Business Studies</b>	Mariner Fagaiava-Muller	Ayrton Fariu	





## NEW BANNERS

### NEW DRIVE WAY BANNERS FOR THE TERCENTENARY OF THE FOUNDER

Our 'Tercenary Banners' are now up and are on proud display down our college drive way. They are looking fantastic and are a fitting tribute as we celebrate this year of remembrance and solidarity with our Founder – Saint John Baptist De La Salle.

A big thank you to my helpers - Br Waseem, Br Saddiq and the 2019 Lasallian Volunteers, Andy and Micah.

The beautiful images of The Founder are from the amazing Stained-Glass Windows from the De La Salle Chapel at Saint Mary's College, Moraga, California.

A large acknowledgement and sincere thanks to our kind sponsors for this project and for our large '300' sign. Superstar businesses, old boys and families....



**Chester Grey Chartered Accountants (College Accountants)**

**2. ASB Bank Ronwood Ave Manukau (College Bank)**

**3. NewEra IT Ltd (College IT Company)**

**4. Faalili Family**

**6. Alfred Petelo**

**7. Stephen Paea**

**8. Grey Family**

**9. Solomon Family**

LIVE JESUS IN OUR HEARTS!

Kane Raukura , Lasallian Facilitator



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## SPORTS NEWS

### COLLEGE ATHLETICS DAY

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# CONGRATULATIONS SOLOMON WINNERS OF 2019 ATHLETICS



Solomon House Leaders: Anthony Latu and Ofisa Sakaria

## Premier Volleyball Auckland Champions

The Team: **Dominic Niko (Captain), Bureta Finau, Rokeni Ualoe, Kitona Vai, Sione Mata'afa, Wallace Sititi, Josiah Laulu, Paul Mata'afa, Eteuati Feomaia, Dominic Autagavaia, Isiah Seuala**

### Results:

Takapuna Grammar	Won 3-1
Aorere College	Won 3-0
Long Bay	Won 3-1
<b>Quarterfinal:</b>	
One Tree Hill	Won 3-0
<b>Semifinal:</b>	
Orewa College	Won 3-0
<b>Final:</b>	
Rangitoto College	Won 3-2

Thank you to coach **Jacob Winterstein** for all the hard work he has put in over the last four years. Also thank you to his Assistant Coach **Howard Brown** for all of his help.



The focus now shifts to national in just under 2 weeks' time in Palmerston North.

**Mr Perez (Sports Coordinator)**



## SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

### PICAN



Accounting students mix with industry professionals.

On February 7th, 20 Year 12 & 13 Students participated in the **Pacific Island Chartered Accountants Network (PICAN)** networking event. PICAN has been set-up to bring together Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand members of Pacific Island descent. PICAN works with Chartered Accountants, CA Firms and other organisations, such as the Pacific Business Trust, to effectively use members' collective skillset to develop the next generation of Pacific business leaders. This event was a great opportunity for our students to ask questions related to accounting studies. Students also heard about future trends in Accounting practise such as Cloud Accounting first hand. This will enable them to make more informed decisions about their tertiary study and future career options.

Special thanks to Steve Paea, an old boy, Board of Trustees' member and Liberate I.T. Sales Manager, who invited De La Salle students to the event and Mr Lin who organised it.

**Mr Jeremic ( Head of Social Sciences)**

## RUGBY COACHES NEEDED FOR 15B TEAM



### PLEASE CONTACT



## MR HURST OR MR PEREZ AT THE COLLEGE.



## LA SALLE COLLEGIANS



### La Salle Collegians Kick Off Meeting Success!

De La Salle Old Boys Association is what the old name was previously but now officially it is now called the La Salle Collegians. The reason behind this was we are just not an “Old Boys Association” we are much more than that. We have parents, teachers, family, friends and partners who are just as important in the success of La Salle Collegians.

Last week at the De La Salle College staffroom, we had the official kick off meeting with a great turnout to get the wheels in motion with the objective of forming an official La Salle Collegians committee. I can say we are nearly there and one more position to fill in as the Chairman role.

The key objective of La Salle Collegians:

- Work with the school, BOT, PTFA and Students
- Networking with our members through employment opportunities, business networking events and internship roles
- Health and wellbeing of our members
- Provide workshops/ training to current students
- Contributions through donations, partnerships, sponsorships and scholarships
- News and Events

We are really excited about the La Salle Collegians, the value impact it will bring to the college and how the group will inspire our students. The La Salle Collegians is long overdue and we look forward to updating our community on progress and the official committee announced in the coming weeks.

Thank you to all those that attended, it will get bigger and bigger! A special mention to principal Myles Hogarty and team for their continued support and Sir Brother Pat for always being there and assisting me with getting this off the ground.

Watch this space! If you want to know more, in the meantime feel free to contact Steve Paea on 021 349 966 or email [stephenpaea@gmail.com](mailto:stephenpaea@gmail.com)

**FTGF.**

**Stephen Paea- Class of 94**



## YEAR 7 & 8 DEPARTMENT

### Excellence Awards

# CONGRATULATIONS



L-R (Back) Chisom Ochibulu, Angel Po'e-Davis, Tahavalu Samiu, Elijah Abundo, Ms T Dahlberg

L-R (Front) Gregory Filimoehala, Judah Tu'inukuafe-Matautia, Elijah Hunt, Tino Taupau-Pauli, Dante Bootten.

## Y8 Softball



### SOUTH-WEST ZONE YEAR 8 BOYS SOFTBALL

DLS	0	Kedgley	0
DLS	4	Nga Tapuwae	0
DLS	10	Koru	0
DLS	2	Mangere East	1
DLS	10	Southern Cross	0

Team : **Deverrel Samasoni (Captain)**, Cristiano Ioane, Sesi Kivalu, Rico Toeava-Ward, Jacob Aute-Talo, Troy Sanday, Sioeli Hifo, Talalelei Asiata, Masoteis Pritchard, Ramsi Puai.

Player of the Day: **Rico Toeava-Ward**

Congratulations to the boys on a fine day out, they played some really good softball. Cristiano carried the day with his fine pitching, assisted by Sioeli and Troy. Masoteis had a fine day as catcher and worked well with Rico to really stitch up teams on Base 1. The game against Southern Cross was our best batting display. Five batters in a row stepped up and hit huge home runs. Sesi played nearly every position including Catcher and had a stint at pitching. Deverrel organized and led his team well all day. Congratulations on representing your school well, good sportsmanship and competitiveness was consistently on display.

**Mr Anderton**



## LITERACY DEPARTMENT

### Scholastic Literacy Pro—Lexile Programme for Year 7 and 8 Programmes

In the last newsletter, we introduced the Lexile Programme and some of our students were celebrated for their progress so far. The following Year 7 students from 7DHL need to be congratulated for their efforts to date.



**Josiah Cummings**  
73173 words



**Bailey Ioane-Fuiava**  
63558 words



**Lawrence Anae**  
50766 words



**Jett Anitelea**  
43073 words



**Roldan Mark**  
32957 words

These directions are also in each students' homework diary. Year 7 and 8 students are expected to read 20 minutes a day, every day. Students can complete their quiz at home but they need to complete the quiz themselves. You can assist your son's reading by asking him about his book and listening to him read sometimes. The Literacy Centre staff monitor all students results very closely. We like to encourage and support the progress of all boys. Rewards and incentives are awarded as motivation to read.

"Boys who read achieve."

#### Lexile Pro System

##### Getting to the Site

Go to [Google Chrome](#) search engine  
Type in search box [scholastic learning zone](#)  
Click on [Scholastic Learning Zone.com](#)  
Select country [New Zealand](#)  
Type in [97PD](#)  
Username \_\_\_\_\_  
Password \_\_\_\_\_  
Click on [Scholastic Literacy Pro](#) icon



## Competition Year 8 Band needs a name.

The Year 8 Band consists of the following members:

**Jozanam Emani on trumpet**

**Caleb Williams on piano**

**John-Paul Schmidt on bass guitar**

**Nathaniel Eniata on guitar**

These talented musicians need a name for their band .

If you have any clever suggestions please bring your ideas to the Literacy Centre.

**The successful name will win a prize.**





## YEAR 9 CAMP REMINDER

Year 9 students and selected Year 12 leaders will be attending camp at Waipu Cove.

9K, 9R, 9G will attend Monday 18th - Wednesday 20th March.

9B, 9W, 9M will attend Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd March.

**All students must be at school by 8.15am on the day that they will depart for camp. Students will return at the end of the camp at approximately 3.00pm.** Classes will run as normal for students at school.

### **Personal Gear to bring to camp**

Your son will need to bring the following:

Morning tea and lunch for the first day  
Toiletries, sunscreen, insect repellent  
Togs and towel  
Casual clothes for 3 days  
Walking/running shoes  
1 set of clothes to get wet/dirty  
Torch  
Sandals/Jandals  
Waterproof Jacket

Waterproof jacket  
Warm Jersey(s)  
Sleeping bag/blankets  
Eating utensils including plates and a cup  
Tea-towel  
Water bottle  
Day pack  
One pack of biscuits to contribute to supper  
\$2 coin to use the showers



Any personal medication required to be brought to camp must be labelled with instructions for use and be handed to staff.

**Cellphones and valuable items should not be taken on camp and if are brought it is at the students own risk. All gear must be named.**



Have you Registered Yet?

## St Mark's Catholic School

**40<sup>th</sup> Jubilee**

March 30-31<sup>st</sup> 2019

Register at St Mark's School

[www.stmarks.school.nz](http://www.stmarks.school.nz)

Registrations close 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019







## De La Salle College School Fair Saturday 30th March 2019

### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR OUR SCHOOL FAIR

Only 3 weeks to go before our Annual School Fair. Our PTFA are asking that every child from each year group donate one or two of the following items listed below towards our school Fair. All these items will go towards helping with the different stalls on our Fair Day:

Canned foods (Spaghetti, Fruit, Corn beef, Tuna etc)

Packet foods (Noodles, rice, Chips, pasta, biscuits etc)

Breakfast foods (Milo, Coffee, Tea, Cereals, Sugar etc )

Toiletries, Sweets, Candy, Chocolates, Drinks

Any donations will be greatly appreciated !!!

Please start sending these items with your son to his Homeroom Class NOW !!!! - Thank you for your support



**PTFA WILL MEET EVERY TUESDAY  
IN THE STAFFROOM AT 6PM UNTIL THE FAIR  
ALL WELCOME**

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## BOT ELECTIONS JUNE 2019

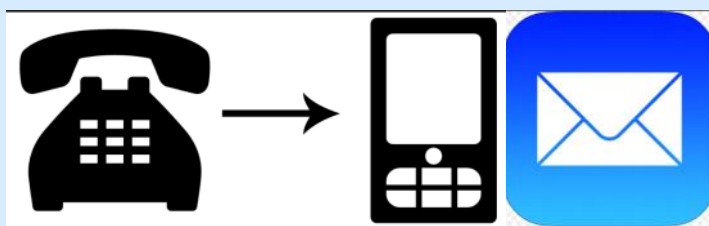
Every three years, elections are held to appoint parent representatives to govern each school in New Zealand. Although the government is reviewing a Board's role in running a school, elections will nevertheless still be taking place in under three months. We would very much like you to consider standing for the De La Salle College Board of Trustees. Boards oversee the school finances, property, achievement, discipline and staffing amongst other things. Here is a link to tell you more about what a board does.

<https://parents.education.govt.nz/your-school-board-of-trustees>

This explains a lot of the commonly asked questions and information about becoming a trustee. If you would like to discuss this opportunity further please feel free to contact our **Election Officers: Julie Sale** [salej@delasalle.school.nz](mailto:salej@delasalle.school.nz) or **Josephine Sandiko** [sandikoj@delasalle.school.nz](mailto:sandikoj@delasalle.school.nz)

Please make sure we have your correct address as nomination and voting papers will be sent out soon.

**IF YOUR CONTACT DETAILS  
HAVE CHANGED  
PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO  
UPDATE THEM**



**De La Salle College**  
*A Catholic School for Boys*  
*In the Lasallian Tradition*

### ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2020

De La Salle creates Great Men of Learning, Community and Character.



- Strong Catholic Character and Lasallian Traditions
- Dynamic Teaching Staff
- Strong Academic Achievements
- High Expectations of Every Student
- Caring and Supportive Pastoral Care Team
- Extensive Co-Curricular Activities
- Strong Sporting Achievements

#### ENROL NOW FOR 2020

For Enrolment Enquiries phone Bianca on (09) 276-4319 ext 816

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