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Term 2 Week 10



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 Assistant Principal - Phil Doyle

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

O le ala ile pule o le tautua

With Mr Hogarty away over the last few weeks on Sabbatical and Mr English at the Buttimer Institute of Lasallian Studies, students and staff have enjoyed ribbing and joking with Mr Charles and myself about being the 'boss' and 'getting to run' the school. This has made me reflect on the nature of leadership. Leadership is important in any school. There are many theories and models of leadership in education, business and the community that can be used to define it. My belief is that real leadership is not about being the boss or being in charge, it is something that academics call Servant Leadership. Servant Leadership has been around in different cultures and communities for many years. Here at De La Salle College we have the perfect example of Servant Leadership in the Founder, St. John Baptist de La Salle.

St. John Baptist de La Salle was a Servant Leader throughout his life. From his first encounter with the founding of schools for the poor, De La Salle put himself at the service of others whether it was his students or the teachers or the Brothers. Here at De La Salle Mangere I see Servant Leadership every day. There is an army of parents and old boys coaching and mentoring our boys every week. They provide wonderful examples to the boys about serving others. Our teachers have led activities in and out of the classroom all term - That is leadership. Our boys have supported each other in class during the term - That is leadership. You see all the hallmarks of De La Salle as a Servant Leader with our teachers, parents, old boys and students where there is a willingness to listen, involving others in decision making, building a community, and humility in seeing the success of their endeavours as part of God's work

Well done to all the boys involved in activities this term. Recently we have seen talent and sportsmanship on the sports field. Well done to the high flying U17A Basketball team who had a great win against Aorere College and to the 1st XV who won a great game against top of the table Kelston Boys High School last weekend.

We have seen excellence on the stage with B.O.S.S at the Smokefree Tangata Beats and an outstanding achievement with our Year 10 Debating ranked 4th in all of Auckland. Well done to the Year 9 and 10 Mathex teams that have been competing in the South Auckland competition. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Academic Counselling July 25th Week 1 Term 3.

At the end of Term 2 we ask all students to review their goals and reset themselves for the second half of the academic year. It has been a pleasure to read the reports for our Year 7 - 10 students this week. Year 7 - 10 Mid-Year reports are available on the KAMAR parent portal and will arrive in the mail in the next few days. Senior students will receive their NCEA update early next term.

A key part of the goal setting process for all students are Academic Counselling meetings. Your son should have organised your interview time for Academic Counselling on **Thursday 25th July**. If you have not arranged a time please make contact with your son's Homeroom teacher or logon and book a time. As always, we expect 100% attendance on the day. We know that when students, parents and school are well working together students make good progress.

Finally, we wish Dominic Niko 13GTS and Bureta Finau 13TAN all the best as they travel to the US with the New Zealand U20 Volleyball Team.

Have a safe and blessed holiday.

Until next term!

God Bless
Phil Doyle
Assistant Principal



Important Dates:

First Day Term 3
22nd July

Academic Counselling
25th July



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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - Mr English

What Sort of Man?

A few weeks ago Anthony Joshua, the undefeated world boxing champion, lost in a huge upset, to Andy Ruiz. The boxing was interesting but what was much more interesting was the way that Anthony Joshua behaved in the press conference afterwards. Firstly he turned up, which many losing boxers don't do. He then helped the journalists get their mikes in the right place and was happy to answer all their questions. He didn't blame his health, or the referee or the opponent. He said that it was just him and that he didn't fight well enough to win. He showed good manners and great grace. He showed what sort of man he is.



The New Zealand Cricket team has won a lot of friends in recent years by the way that it conducts itself, whether they win or lose. They impress with the sort of men they are.

When we are making decisions about how to act, how to behave, we can get caught up in the short-term losses and benefits, for example, will I get caught, what will people think of me, what will I get out of this? A better question to ask is What sort of man do I want to become?

This thought then sets in motion a train of events. If I want to be a man of integrity then I tell the truth. If I tell the truth then I will be trusted. If I am trusted then my relationships will be on solid ground. If my relationships are on that solid ground then my whole life will be much more fulfilling and productive. All from one simple question.

I spoke with a boy recently with regards to an issue and said to him, 'What I want for you is that when you come back here in few years' time with your fiancée I can see by the way she looks at you that she trusts, respects and admires you for the man that you are'. That is a goal worth striving for, to become a man who can protect and provide, is completely trusted, and can be relied upon to always look after the interests of his loved ones. This sort of man will also be a man of faith, service, community and excellence.

AP CURRICULUM - Mr Doyle



De La Salle College has been competing in the Junior Debates Opens competition over the course of Term one and Term two. The competition recently came to an end and the official results for the competition were released this week. I am humbled and proud to announce that of all the 120 schools competing in this competition, De La Salle College has ranked 1st in the South Auckland division and are ranked 4th in all of Auckland. The team will be moving on to the Octo-Finals in August to compete against the best of the best high schools. Year 10 Students -

Jarren Iuvale, Gabriel Toreja, Nathaniel Siaso and Charm Tuala should be commended for their valiant efforts in this competition. A huge accomplishment by our debate students who have represented our school proudly. Congratulations to the De La Salle debate team.

A huge thank you to **Ms Gani, Mrs Reti, Mr Tuiasau** and especially our Lasallian volunteer **Andy Carlos** and old boy **Ikani Falekaono** for supporting the De La Salle debate team.

Otto Wendt, Teacher in Charge of Debates

AP PASTORAL - Mr Charles



Things to Do During the School Holidays

The term is over and school's out and many of our students would be thinking what to do with themselves during the holidays. Below are a few ideas that students can engage with this holidays.

1. Reflect on the term gone by.

Take out a sheet of paper and answer these three questions:

What did I do well in the past term?

What did I not do so well at in the past term?

What will I do differently in the coming term?



2. Set new goals for the coming term.

Evaluate my goals for the past two terms for the coming semester

3. Get a job.

Don't worry too much about what the job will pay. "Take a job for what you will *learn*, not for what you will *earn*."

The best learning experience might just come in the form of an unpaid job.

4. Volunteer.

Volunteering is a practical way to serve and contribute.

5. Improve your physical health.

You have more time during the school holidays. So this is a great opportunity to start sleeping well, exercising regularly, and eating healthily.

6. Read.

The benefits of reading speak for itself

7. Pick up a new hobby.

You will probably feel bored at some point during the school holidays. That's the time to pick up a new hobby like...

8. Relax, Relax, Relax....

ACADEMIC COUNSELLING 25TH JULY

To avoid disappointment please book online now!

To make an appointment please follow this link <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=q6f7c>. Please follow all other instructions provided on the website to book a time for your family's meeting.

A link is also included on the Home page of the College website.

If you do not have internet access please phone the College office during Term Time only on 09 276 4319 for assistance in booking a time slot for yourself and your son.

The College expects that every family will attend the Academic Counselling conference.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DAY



Lalaga le si'osi'omaga mo se lumana'i manuia (Weave an environment for a better future.)

On the 3rd of May, 3 Catholic Schools came together to celebrate Catholic Schools Day 2019. Carmel College and De La Salle College joined forces to run activities for the students of St Mary's Primary School, Ellerslie. This was a day filled with karakia, singing, cultural dancing, waiatas, team building activities and meditation. The environment woven today by our College leaders demonstrates a very bright future for our youth indeed.

For more information please see link below:

<https://youtu.be/SIHV5nicJ8A>

Ms M Fouhy HOF Religious Education



LASALLIAN GATHERING 2019

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NATIONAL LASALLIAN GATHERING 2019 PAPUA NEW GUINEA

It has been a wonderful privilege and honour these last few days to be with our Brothers and Sisters in Papua New Guinea as they came together for their National Lasallian Gathering. Myself, and our own Sir Brother Pat, each presented four concurrent workshops, which were very well received (there were big classes each time with 70+ tuning in!). The occasion has been a great celebration of all things Lasallian and the amazing work that occurs in PNG and with the hard working Brothers and Partners here. It was great seeing Anton Haines (DLS Class of 2018) in full swing as a Lasallian Volunteer and making such a valuable contribution to the community at Lasalle Tech Hohola Port Moresby. Our dear Brother Thomas Yapo also passes on his love to everyone back at Mangere, as does Brother Doug O'Reilly. The experience has been quite moving and emotional, seeing old friends, touched by the kindness of the locals, in awe of the great works in the schools and a 'Lasallian Spirit' so vibrant that the air was electric. God Bless you Lasalle PNG!

Mr Kane Raukura - Lasallian Facilitator





STAFF SPIRITUALITY DAY



As part of our Catholic Character, De La Salle Staff set aside time to pause, reflect and nurture their spirituality. The day was run by our own Br Mark McKeon fsc and was a special moment to gather as staff, family and friends to develop a closer relationship with our College identity, our school community and who we are as Lasallians in mission. Br Mark challenged us to reflect on our Lasallian vocation and to see how we can remain authentic to the vision and mission of our Founder, regardless of our different backgrounds, cultures and faith journey. Our day was centered around the Lasallian educational mission of Gospel values and personal relationships. We explored our understanding of the heart of the Lasallian educational model and how our unique gifts and talents are essential to building our collective identity as children of God.

Ms M Fouhy HOF Religious Education

FAREWELL BR SADDIQUE



After 18 months in New Zealand, our dear Br Saddique is going back to Pakistan. During his time with us at De La Salle College, he has worked with a number of the students in the Literacy Centre and has been a cheerful and positive presence to have around. We wish him all the very best with his future education endeavours in Pakistan. He is a true Lasallian man who we will hold in our hearts until we see him again. God Bless, Br Saddique.

Ms M Fouhy HOF Religious Education

BR SUNEEL & BR SAJID

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This week has seen the arrival of our De La Salle Brother from Pakistan; Br Suneel and Br Sajid. They spoke to our College community about the history of the De La Salles in Pakistan and shared their experiences of education, culture, religion and Lasalle in Pakistan. We are grateful for them taking the time to meet with us all and look forward to their next visit.

Ms M Fouhy HOF Religious Education

RAFFLE WINNERS



Thank you to everyone that has supported **Bureta Finau** and **Dominic Niko** through their fundraisers for the Volleyball World Tournament. Thanks to your support we have just about raised enough to pay their \$6000 pp fees to participate.

The winners for the fundraising raffle are as follows;

- 1st Prize: B BLUE #91 Siu
- 2nd Prize : A RED #53 Tua Jr
- 3rd Prize : B ORANGE #18 Flo Iosefa
- 4th Prize : A BLUE #73 Mrs Tokahere
- 5th Prize : B BLUE #80 Alice



A big thanks to the following people for their prize donations:

- Pak n Save Mangere
- Milan Motors Massey Road
- Aro Memorial Headstones
- Jetts Fitness Otahuhu
- Cookie Time NZ
- Spookers Haunted Park
- Nesian Street Clothing
- Russel Athletic
- Bottle O Mangere East
- DLS U15A Rugby Team
- Mafoe Family
- La Salle Collegians



3rd Prize Winners

Mr J Timu Service Coordinator

LITERACY CENTRE

7AND Visit Auckland War Memorial Museum

On 26 June 7AND visited the Auckland War Memorial Museum as part of the novel study “My Brother’s War” by David Hill. The visit included an educational session, in the World War 2 Hall of Memories and Scars, on “The Power of Persuasion”.

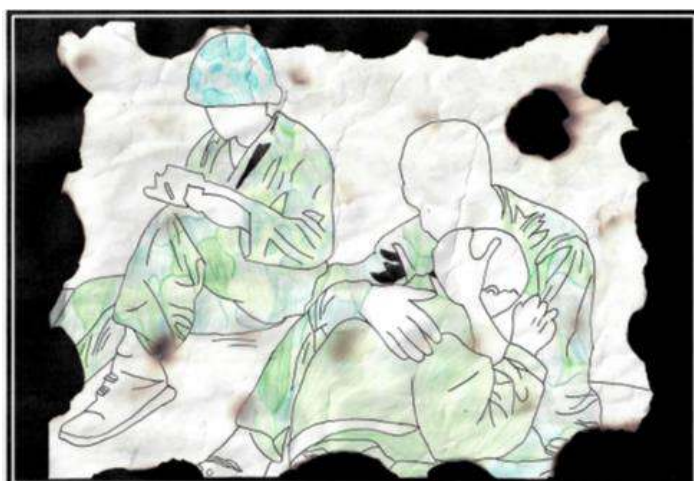
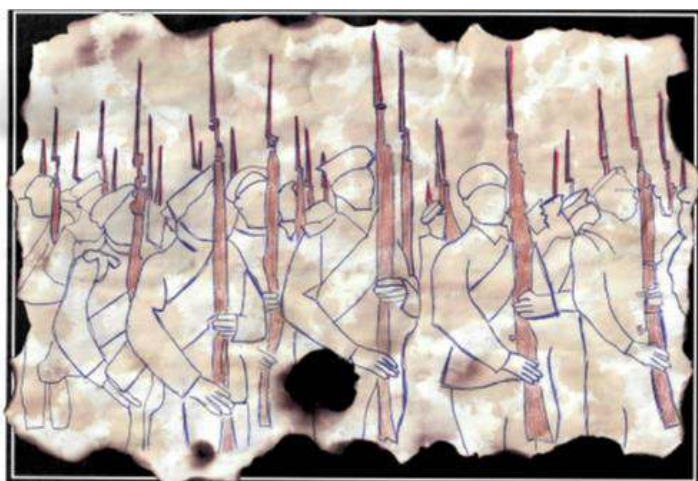
Below are comments from some of the students who attended.

My favourite part of our trip was looking at very old guns and weapons and also looking at old bombs from World War One. By Tristan Papalii

I enjoyed putting on the heavy jacket and hat that soldiers wore in World War 1. By Junior Tolova’a



7AND Artwork inspired by the novel “My Brother’s War by David Hill



LITERACY CENTRE

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7STW Visit Kelly Tarltons

On 24 June, 7STW visited Kelly Tarltons as part of their novel study "Blueback" by Tim Winton. The visit included an educational session on 'Food Chains and Food Webs in Our Oceans'. Below are comments from some of the students who attended.

My trip to Kelly Tarltons was quite the experience. Looking at a shark for the first time in real life was actually really beautiful. Some people think sharks will harm humans but it is not true at all. Also the two Kelly Tarltons ladies that were teaching us, named Siobhan and Emma, were really good. By Frank Vaotuuu

My experience at Kelly Tarltons was fascinating and interesting. It was also my very first time observing weird and exquisite fish. I've learnt and seen so much from that trip. By Chisom Ochibulu



Literacy Centre Library

Year 7 and 8 students are expected to read a Lexiled book everyday for 20 minutes. This is especially important during the holidays. If students have not got a school library book to read, why not visit the local public libraries. Public libraries are found all around Auckland and joining one will give access to them all.

All Literacy Centre Library books will need to be returned immediately after the holidays.

Happy holiday reading.

Report by Amanda Chapman, Kristina Ah Ta and Angela Barry, Literacy Centre



SPORTS NEWS



Back to Back Rugby Champions.

Congratulations to the De La Salle Rugby Under 55kg Restricted Team, winning the Auckland Intermediate Championships last week for the second year in a row. Having played three games in their pool and winning all three, De La Salle met Somerville Intermediate in the semi-finals, winning convincingly and advancing to the finals where they met St Peters College.

The young men from De La Salle showed some great rugby skills running in five tries to none and claiming the shield for the back-to-back title. Captained by **Liam Hakeagatoa** with **David Wong** as Vice-Captain, the team earned a lot of respect from each opposition team, playing with a great spirit and always winning with humility.

I would like to thank the parents for all their positive support during each game. A special mention goes to Assistant Coach Joseph Savelio and the senior boys for all their help on tournament days.

Well done to the Open boys, coached by **Mr Anthony Brown**, qualifying to the semi-finals but narrowly going down in the last minutes to Kedgley Intermediate. Fantastic work team.

Mr U Hakeagatoa, Coach



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Congratulations to the 13 boys selected to represent the Mangere Walter Dickson Rugby Team to play during the first week of the holidays from De La Salle. Good luck boys!



Tomu Cook, Zion Cook, Liam Hakeagatoa, Sioeli Hifo, Gustuv Johansson, Soul Misiepo



Rico Toeava-Ward, Zebby Uini-Faiva, David Wong, Benedikt Raki, Ryan Sio, Otireta Teiaua, Lauti Lavao

TANGATA BEATS



CONGRATULATIONS to the B.O.S.S. band who competed at the Tangata Beats Auckland Regional final on Saturday 22 June. Well done to **Lorenzo Lafolua (guitar)**, **Carlos Fiamme (bass)**, **Marvin Leiato (drums)** and **Joseph Safiti (vocals)** you represented the school proudly! Thank you to Mrs Olive for helping to supervise practice and assisting with transport.

Mrs R Laumemea HOF Arts/Music

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DE LA SALLE COLLEGIANS

This is the official registration form for those who wish to be a member of the La Salle Collegians. Please click on the link below.

[Registration Link](#)

PTFA

PTFA Annual School Raffle: We are still looking for major prizes for our annual school raffle – if you would like to sponsor or donate towards the prizes please contact Sera on 0210372432

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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



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