



21st June 2019
Term 2 Week 8



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 Acting Principal - Dermot English

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

Pentecost

We are now in the season of Pentecost. Pentecost is a harvest festival. The seed has died, been planted, grown, and will now be harvested. The spirit of God, the Holy Spirit then comes and changes what is there by bringing the Spirit to those who had lost it and become afraid.

This brings me to some recent events at De La Salle. Ten days ago I was present for the handing out of the jerseys to the first XV. All the jerseys of the 1st XV have been sponsored by an old boy, and the name of the old boy or someone in their family appear on the jersey. These old boys, on the Saturday of the game, hand out the jerseys to the 1st XV squad. On this Saturday Damian Martin Handed out the jerseys in honour of his brother Dominic Martin who was in the class of 92 and who passed away this year. The 2019 team is getting the benefit of hearing the stories and receiving that spirit. It also makes them aware of the spirit that already does exist here, amongst us.

Recently I was visited by an old-boy from 2006, who was looking for a way to give back to the school. After he left he did a university degree, and then he became a corrections officer and spent four years working at Mt Eden Prison. It was there he realised that the difference between the officers and the inmates was a few good teachers. He said that what made him succeed at school was a couple of teachers, one who growled him for not working hard enough, and one who encouraged him to make a real effort, because if he didn't no one was coming to save him.

This year he is training as a teacher and would love to come back to this school. He remembers the spirit of De La Salle and wants to contribute to it. One way he wants to do that is to start a wrestling team here, as there used to be a few years ago. It will be starting next week.

Another story that has come to light recently is of a Lasallian from 2012 who struggled while he was here at school, but through pure persistence and perseverance is now one of the martial arts fighters in The Professional Fighters League being run in the US by another New Zealander Ray Sefto. On Thursday he had his first fight in an ongoing multimillion dollar competition. He has overcome a range of major obstacles to now be able to compete at an international level. More importantly, in the spirit of Lasalle he has started a programme called Desire for Greatness which was set up to help young people overcome their own challenges. He also has received and passed on the spirit of Lasalle. In this 300th year since the death of St John Baptiste De La Salle, the spirit of Lasalle is reaping this type of harvest, (see From Otara to New York on stuff.co.nz)

In this time of Pentecost here is the question. How do we live out the Spirit, the Holy Spirit and the Spirit of Lasalle. Which of the fruits of the holy spirit are most obvious in our lives, - peace, patience, kindness goodness faithfulness, self-control or love?

God Bless
Dermot English
Acting Principal



Important Dates:

Teachers Only Day
28th June

Last Day Term 2
6th July

First Day Term 3
22nd July

Academic Counselling
25th July

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AP PASTORAL - Mr Charles

Netsafe Parenting Guide

With the onslaught of the digital age our children's exposure to digital technology is becoming more prevalent. As parents we need to familiarise ourselves with the latest innovations and at the same time we must equip ourselves to keeping our children safe when they are using these technologies. The Netsafe website provides parents with robust information to help us with keeping our children safe.

Some of the topics covered on the Netsafe website includes:

[A Parent's Guide to Instagram](#)

[Screen time advice for parents](#)

[Online grooming – for parents](#)

[What are teens doing online?](#)

Please follow the link below for more information:

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/advice/parenting/>



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 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.

ICT - Mr Singh

ICT Academy Update



Congratulations to **Avineel Mudliar (12VAT)** for completing Level 3 Programming and **Jomeel Ramos (13JAY)** for completing Level 3 Cyber Security courses from the Techorium Institute of Information Technology in Newmarket during Term 1 Holidays.

Years 12 and 13 Students are invited to register their interest to do Level 3 Computer courses in Cyber Security, Servers, Cloud Technologies, Programming, Games, Artificial Intelligence and Business Intelligence during Term 2 holidays. These introductory courses provide clear pathways for students to gain relevant IT Skills and Credits for entry into Computer Engineering and Software Development courses at Tertiary Institutes. Each course runs for 3 days and is NCEA approved worth 10 credits at either Level 3 or 4. Course costs are funded by the School. See Mr J Singh for further details and Application Forms.



AP CURRICULUM - Mr Doyle

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Happy Matariki - Mataili' - Mataliki

Matariki or Subaru or the Pleiades or the Seven Sisters are a star cluster that appears in New Zealand during the winter months, usually between mid-May to early July. Have a look up and see if you can spot them. This year they appear on the 25th June. Historically, Matariki was a quiet period of the year



with no harvesting in the colder months. This allowed people time for study and learning. For Māori, this was traditionally the time of the Whare Wānanga, the schools of learning.

50th Anniversary of the Moon Landing

While you are out looking at the stars for Matariki, have a look at the moon and remember that **50 years** ago, almost to the day, three men left earth for the first ever moon landing. **"That's one small step for [a] man, one giant leap for mankind."**

What is your "one small step" going to be next term?



Assessment Week

At De La Salle College, we have been making this our time for study and learning, our time of the Whare Wānanga. All students have already been completing exams or assessments this week. Assessment week means working hard and managing our time and commitments. Well done to all those who put in the hard work and made progress. Great to see the number of Year 7 and 8 boys making progress in Reading, Writing, Mathematics and Science.

Year 7 – 10 Reports

Look out for your son's Mid- Year Reports in the post in the next week. The reports will also available online through the KAMAR Parent Portal <http://parent.delasalle.school.nz/>

KAMAR Parent Portal

Contact your son's Homeroom Teacher if you would like access to the KAMAR Parent Portal.

NCEA Credit update

Senior students will get a credit update at the end of term. Check the number of credits your son has in his weekly notes.

Year 11 NCEA Level 1

As of 14 June, the average number of credits per student is only 22 towards the target of 80 credits. Students should aim to have 40 credits by the end of term.

Year 12 NCEA Level 2

As, of 14 June, the average number of credits per student is 42 towards the target of 80 credits for NCEA Level 2. This is right on track for most boys towards the 40 credits recommended by the end of term. Congratulations to the student who has already achieved NCEA Level 2

Year 13 NCEA Level 3

As of 14 June, the average number of credits per student is 40 towards the target of 80 credits for NCEA Level 3. Again, students should aim to have 40 credits by this stage of the year.

DE LA SALLE CHOIR



La Salle Choir perform at Manukau Events Centre.

La Salle Choir performed at the launch event of EMBER, a new community mental health organisation based in Otahuhu. 200 people attended the launch at the Events Centre Manukau and were entertained by the La Salle Choir's great singing of traditional Maori and Pacific songs and gospels songs. The feedback for the audience was very positive from 'it was the highlight of the evening' to 'wonderful voices and great choices of songs'. My sincere thanks to Ms Laumemea and Mr Folau for leading the practices, and to the students were a great credit to the school. Some parents also enjoyed the evening with us. Thanks also to Elena Olive for helping with transport.

Mr Fuimaono Tuiasau



MEET OUR DE LA SALLE COLLEGIANS



CHAIRMAN- SELIO SOLOMON (CLASS OF 90)

Current role as Ministry of Education Senior Education Advisor leads Selio to work with schools to raise the achievement levels for students through brokering internal and external organisations to support student learning and achievement. Prior to this role Selio was the Social Wellbeing Board Lead to lead the engagement of local ECE providers and cross agencies that provide services and support to children and families in the early years. Selio has worked across the sector by seeking opportunities for engagement across ECE providers and working with agencies to ensure service delivery is timely and appropriate for children and families.



DEPUTY CHAIRMAN- MOTU TONY (CLASS OF 99)

Motu returned to New Zealand at the end of 2017 with his wife Kesia and five children following 14 years of living in the United Kingdom. During this time Motu played professional rugby league and also represented the 'Kiwis' in 13 tests. Following his retirement from professional rugby league, Motu was appointed as the GM of Football for Hull FC in the English Super League. Following back to back Challenge Cup wins at Wembley Stadium, Motu decided to return to New Zealand where he was appointed as the Interim CEO of Baseball New Zealand and was also appointed to the Board of Directors for New Zealand Rugby League. Motu attended De La Salle from 1993 to 1999 and also captained the 1st XIII rugby league team. His son Malachi is a Year 10 student at De La Salle. Motu wants to serve and inspire the current and future students of De La Salle through La Salle Collegians. Qualifications- BA Communications/ Master of Business Communication.



SECRETARY-MARIA FOUHY (TEACHER AT DLS)

Maria is in her 4th year as a staff member of the College. She has enjoyed two stints at De La Salle and is thoroughly engaged in the Lasallian tradition. She has taught at a number of schools, holding the position of Director of Religious Studies and Head of Department of Religious Studies. Maria is in charge of ensuring that accurate minutes of the Committees meetings are recorded and that the Lasalle Collegians events are well-planned, professional events that showcase the best that our community can offer.

Qualifications: Master of Educational Leadership/ Master of Religious Education/ Bachelor of Theology/ Bachelor of Arts/ Post-Graduate Diploma in Teaching Secondary



TREASURER- DAVID DRUMM (CLASS OF 80)

David has recently joined his Wife's Chartered Accountancy practice after 20+ years working as a Financial Controller for a subsidiary of a U.S. based Corporate.

David attended De La Salle from 1974 to 1980 and was a member of the 1st XI [Soccer & Cricket] and 1st XV. David played senior Rugby for Otahuhu and attended Auckland University. David has accepted the position of Treasurer and is keen to give something back to the College by participating in the newly formed La Salle Collegians.

The financial stewardship and governance of the Association is a major focus for David, together with raising the profile of the Collegians to ensure the objectives of the organisation are consistently met.



DE LA SALLE COLLEGIANS



Christopher J. Tenisio - Committee Member (Class of 2016) - youngest member ever lol
Proud old boy of the college. Head Boy and Board of Trustee's Student Representative 2016.

Currently studying a Bachelor of Business majoring in Marketing and International Business (2nd Year)

Advocate for South Auckland and servant to the less-fortunate in our society

My hobbies surround human rights, climate change, equality amongst all people and giving back to communities that have gotten me to where I am thus far.

I volunteer for numerous organisations including the Pacific Climate Warriors, Society of St Vincent de Paul, LabourNesia, Catholic Social Justice Commission and Uni LaSalle to name a few. I also perform in live theatre, recently completing my second season with the Sau E Siva Creatives in our hit show "Rosalina".

I have recently started an apparel company with a few good friends called Tama O Le Nu'u (The Men Of The Village)

I am also a Youth Leader (Treasurer) in my church and I work casually at the Auckland University of Technology as a mentor (Navigator), helping High School students transition from High School to University

Most recent achievement - Becoming a committee member of the La Salle Collegians (youngest to ever do so, woohoo)! A space where I am giving back to a community that has shaped the man that I am today.

Qualifications - NCEA, Certificate of Business, almost a degree.



Fetaoa'i Europa Lafo'ou Lusa - Board Member (Class of 2009)

2009 Deputy Head boy, Mutien House leader and leader of the Special Character portfolio

'Summa Cum Laude' award, for services to youth ministry

I have served as a Share the mission volunteer at Oakhill College, Sydney, Australia (2010)

I have worked as an Auditor/Audit examiner for the Samoa Ports Authority (2011 - 2012)

Otahuhu College - Homework Centre Facilitator (2014 - 2016)

Otahuhu College - STEM Navigator (2017 - 2018)

Coached Otahuhu College under 14 & 15 rugby

Manager for Otahuhu College 1st XV rugby (2015 - 2016)

I'm currently employed as a primary school teacher at Robertson Road school. I teach years 7 & 8 in the Samoan bilingual unit.

Qualifications - NCEA, Bachelor of Education, Cert in academic writing,

I also carry the matai title (talking chief) 'FETAOA'I' from my mothers village of Matautu - Sa in Samoa.

I am of Samoan and Tongan descent. My mother hails from Matautu - Sa & Leauva'a in the heart of the pacific - Samoa and my Father hails from the beautiful island of Tonga from Faleloa in the Ha'apai group

I'm humbled and committed in ensuring we can support our young men at De La Salle in every way possible.

I'm grateful to be able to give back to our school community and the community of brothers that have given so much to me. We are continuing the mission of our founder St John Baptist De La Salle.

BUSINESS STUDIES Y11 MARKET DAY

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Twenty-Four Year 11 Business students had their chance to showcase their essential skills of marketing and product sourcing. The Market Day held on Wednesday 12 June followed weeks of preparation and planning in class. A range of savoury and sweet dishes proved very popular with customers in a furious 40 minutes of hard selling over lunchtime. Pasta Pasta, Pastry Boys, Just Dessertz, Crustula, Wieners and Ifo Butter Chicken groups worked very hard to provide good quality products and top customer service. All students were rewarded for their innovation and risk-taking with total sales reaching almost \$1000 and average profit of \$150 per group.

Mr M Jeremic Head of Social Sciences



TANGATA BEATS - B.O.S.S



Year 11 band B.O.S.S. made it through to the Tangata Beats Regional final! Congratulations to B.O.S.S. aka **Lorenzo Lafolua, Carlos Fiamé, Marvin Leiato and Joseph Safiti** for making it through to the Tangata Beats Regional final this Saturday 22nd June at AGGs Dorothy Winstone Centre. Please come along and support the boys! Tickets are available on Eventfinda.





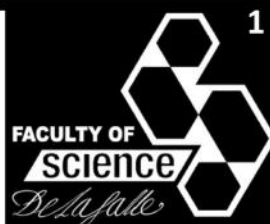
SCIENCE FACULTY



TIRITIRI MATANGI VISIT

The Science Faculty recently took 34 students in Year 12 Biology and the Envirocouncil to Tiritiri Matangi in the Hauraki Gulf. Tiri is an amazing native bird sanctuary, completely pest free and teeming with wildlife and birdsong. Students took a guided tour over the island and also learnt about the Takahe (NZ's largest flightless bird and a close relative to the Pukeko!). The students were spellbound standing in the virgin native forest and listening to the birds singing in chorus. Our guides and presenters were wonderful and made the experience all the more enjoyable. We would like to sincerely thank the Tiritiri Matangi Trust for sponsoring our visit and supporting the boys of De La Salle College.

MR RAUKURA AND MRS
SPENCER



SCIENCE FACULTY UPDATE 2019

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DLS STUDENTS HELP HIT 1 MILLION TREES



The Science Faculty and the Envirocouncil recently joined the Mayor of Auckland, Mr Phil Goff, at the Hunua Reserve to assist with the 'One Million Trees' Project for Auckland. The students spent the day, with other members of the community, planting over 14,000 native trees. These trees directly contributed to achieving the goal of a million trees, which has now been reached. Our students can be very proud they contributed to the success of this great initiative for our environment. The Mayor was very complimentary of our young men and worked alongside them getting dirty. It was a wonderful learning experience for all and the sense of 'togetherness' was very apparent. Many thanks to Mrs Spencer and Ms Mutaviri.

MR RAUKURA - HOF Science.



SCIENCE FACULTY UPDATE

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ART DEPARTMENT



James Patea (13FUT) gained Excellence and first in year for his painting folio in 2018. He is currently taking Art Painting and is a part of the 'MAU' creative arts academy. His board was selected to be part of an exhibition of the South Auckland art students show at Nathan Homestead. Next year James is going to study in the creative arts at university.

STRIVE & NZMA



Strive De La Salle College Trades NZMA.

On the day Tuesday 28th May 2019 students from De La Salle who are part of the Strive Family now went to experience at the NZMA trades centre to explore the new adventures, with the help of the careers team Miss Howell and Miss Fannon also the social workers teams Chanel and Angel great team work to put these students: **Austin Fa'ase'e, Torres Fa'afiti, Saving Crichton, Ben Sefo, Isiah Sopoaga, Paul Lavaka** all have the NZMA experience this will be continued every month.

Thanks team

Strive Youth Advisor: Mike.Brown



CAREERS DEPARTMENT



Year 12 PILOT Programme (Pacific Island Leaders of Tomorrow)

Last week a group of year 12 students attended the PILOT day where Pasifika students from Auckland schools come together to talk about leadership and their future plans.

"It was a very motivating day – we discussed how to plan for our future careers and about scholarships. We also learned that to be a leader in our Pacific community we need to be SMART – serve, have mana, achieve, represent and be trustworthy"

"I have learned many things such as scholarships, study tips, and about strong Polynesian people. I realise how lucky I am to be born in this generation and how many opportunities are available for us"



Keystone Trust Presentation

Each year the Keystone Trust offers our students the opportunity to apply for scholarships -if they are planning on studying within the construction industry eg Bachelor of Architectural Studies, Bachelor of Engineering, Bachelor of Construction Management or Quantity Surveying.

Three of our old boys who have won the scholarship over the past years visited DLS to educate and motivate our students to apply for the scholarships.

Thank you to **Julius Felise**, **Patrick Watta** and **Tala Pupuali'i** who took time off work to come in. Information on the Keystone Trust Scholarship can be found at www.keystonetrust.org.nz and applications are open now.



MIT Presentation

Last week the liaison team from MIT visited our students to present information on their programmes including degrees and pre-Trades courses.

It was great to have two of our old boys as part of the team - **Raymond Iloilo** and **Michael Hoeft**. Both won scholarships last year to support their studies towards a Bachelor of Nursing.

BNursing and BNursing (Pacific) are 3 year degrees run at the Manukau Campus.



CAREERS DEPARTMENT



On Wednesday 19 June, **Ben Edmondson** and **Diego Fa'aiuasa-Kalolo** attended the KATTI program at Te Wananga O Aotearoa. KATTI is a collaborative kaupapa Maori programme for Years 10 -13 Maori students. Tertiary providers present relevant and useful information to students through discussion, workshops and activities. It was finished up with a haka which Diego participated in.

YEAR 7 & 8 DEPARTMENT



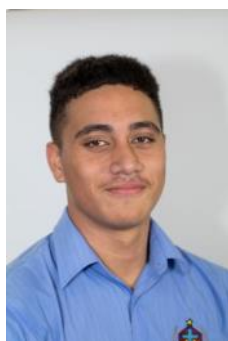
On Thursday 30th May Year 7&8 participated in the Intermediate South West Zone Football Competition at Sir Barry Curtis Park.

They won 3 /5 Pool games and drew their final. Congratulations to **Troy Sanday** who lead the team, The team included **Carloz Kuresa-Ngan Woo, Tesi Samani, John Peyroux-Bob, Tuitautai Porter, Praveshek Narayan, Elijah Abundo, Adarsh Chand, John Acaso, Jodeci Poua, Chisom Ochibulu, Josiah Cummings.**



VOLLEYBALL FUNDRAISER

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Bureta Finau and **Dominic Niko** who have been selected for the New Zealand Junior Men's Volleyball team which are scheduled to compete in Florida from July 18th to July 28th. These two boys are the only South Auckland players selected for this tournament. (see link below)

<https://www.teamusa.org/usa-volleyball/calendar/2019/july/18/hp-championships>

We are currently fundraising to help with the cost of their trip. There is a raffle & we are selling plates of food, see below:



RAFFLE

\$10 per ticket

1st Prize : Family Package:

\$100 worth Grocery Basket, \$200 Milan Motors Mechanical Voucher, Canadian Club 12 Years Aged Whiskey, Peter Yealands Merlot, Tablefair Dinner Set, 3 x Skinny Mobiles, Pizza Stone by Davis & Waddell, Kiehl's Skincare Package, Orchard & Vine Tea Soap and a \$50 Pak n Save Voucher.

2nd Prize : For Her:

Russel Athletics Women's gears, Jacobs Creek Shiraz & Rose, 1 x Lindauer Sparkling Rose, Baileys handbag, 6 month Jetts Membership & sweat towel, 2 x Skinny Mobile, Bare Minerals Makeup Kit & Bag, Victoria Secret Moisturiser, Kiehl's Skincare Package and Reniu Virgin Coconut Handmade Soap.

3rd Prize : For Him:

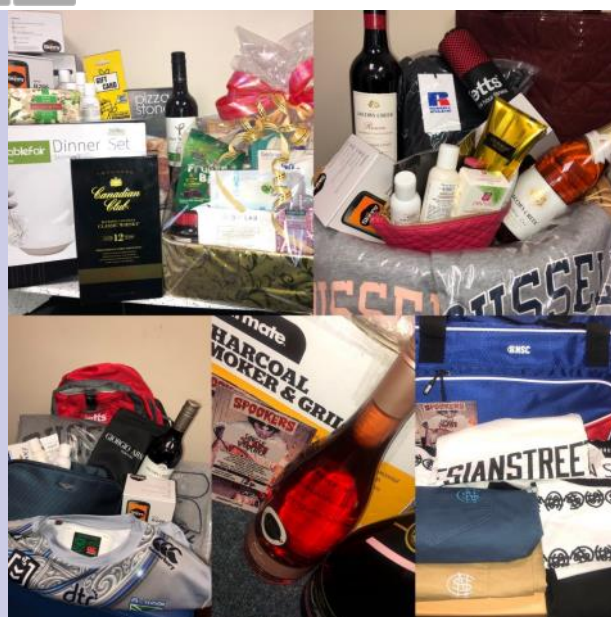
Russel Athletics Men's gears, Warriors 2019 Indigenous Jersey, 6 month Jetts Membership & Gym bag, Jacobs Creek Shiraz, Skinny Mobile, Dove Beauty Crème Bar, Giorgio Armani Toiletry Bag and Kiehl's Skincare Package.

4th Prize : For Him & Her:

Charmate Charcoal Smoker & Grill (display model), 1 x Lindauer Sparkling Rose, 1 x Kim Crawford Rose and 2 x Spooker scare park passes.

5th Prize : For the Bro:

Nesian Street Clothing Package including 1 x Sports bag, 1 x Jumper, 5 x T-shirts, 2 shorts and 2 x Spooker scare park passes.



Drawn on Saturday 29th June

Cash Sales Only

Tickets available at the school office

\$10 PLATES OF FOOD FOR SALE

PTFA are selling suppers for pick up on the last day of school, (Friday 5th July) for \$10.

Plate includes: chicken thigh, potato salad, chop suey, sausage crab meat salad.

Pre orders only phone or text Sera Tuitama on 0210372432

Be in Quick there are limited sales

Any food donations for suppers greatly appreciated!

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

BOT ELECTION RESULTS

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Parent & Staff Election Results

We hereby declare the following duly elected:

Parent Representatives:

Falaniko Tominiko
Anne-Marie Tauilili-Lia
Lisa Amoa
Stephen Paea
Lemalu Imeleta Faumuina

Staff Representative:

Lynette Hay

*Josephine Sandiko & Julie Sale
Returning Officers*

ENROLMENTS

De La Salle College
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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



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