



26th June 2020
Term 2 Week 11



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.

Building Young Men with Strong Foundations

The Gospel reading at this morning's College Mass from Matthew : 7 is a great reminder to the staff and students, of what our Vision is for our young men.

"The wise man builds his house on Rock, to withstand the damaging forces it is subjected to".

A metaphor that our community needs to have regular reflection on. What is the **"rock"** that we need to build our young men's education on?

- Quality teaching and learning that challenges our students in the moment but is also aspirational in them seeking to pursue further Tertiary study as lifelong learners.
- Deepening and strengthening of their faith and spirituality through regular prayer and personal reflection on their relationship with God.
- Insistence that every young man completes his Service hours to his local community so that in losing himself in Service to others, he finds himself.
- Desire to be "Excellent" in all aspects of his education, not excellence as a purely lofty ideal, but excellence as seen by a daily habit of doing things to the best of his ability.
- Providing a range of Academic and Vocational pathways, a variety of Sports, Music and cultural opportunities so as to engage our young men in the "community" of the College and provide education of both the "head and the heart".

The above reflect our College Values and it is always of benefit to remind ourselves of these as they are the **"foundation"** or rock upon which we base the education of our students. Young men today are subjected to the very shifting sands of society and there is much pressure on them to seek shallow satisfaction through Social Media acceptance, the desire for material wealth and instant entitlement of their rights.

A Catholic, Lasallian education founded on looking outwards rather than inwards is what we believe is the antidote to this.

Raising **"Great men of Faith, Service, Community and Excellence"**, is a tough job but one with many great rewards that we see as a school through the actions of our young men.

We are nearly at the end of Term 2 and I believe that our staff and students are looking forward to the holiday break. Since we first went into Lockdown on the 24th March many of our Staff and students maintained their normal teaching and learning routines without a break and have continued to do so, making this coming break their first for many months. I thank the 300 plus families who attended our College Parent Fono on Monday night, a very positive and encouraging community event, focused on the safety of our young men.

We have taken your ideas and will be using these in our practices aimed at keeping our young men safe. These will be shared with you after we have summarised the many suggestions.

I would like to remind Parents and students that as we come to the end of the term next Friday 3rd July, all students are expected to travel directly home from the College and do not hang around shops or train stations after school. This is a very simple safety practice that we have regularly reminded our young men to follow.

God Bless
Myles Hogarty
Principal

Term Dates

Term 2 28th April-3rd July

Term 3 20th July - 24th Sept

Term 4 12th October -

Senior - 10th November

Junior - 10th December

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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - Mr English

MESSENGERS OF PEACE

On Monday this week there was a meeting here at De La Salle with representatives from the Kelston Boys High School community. It was held in great spirit and there was a real recognition that our communities are very similar and have common goals. That was the message that went out on Facebook and our website about the event.

We personally can be messengers of peace. As boys you are the ones that know what others are posting, and who can take it down, you sometimes hear what might be going to happen and can decide not to be part of it. As staff we can keep the peace in our classrooms, and promote an atmosphere of safety and inclusion. As parents we always support our boys to make the right choices, that lead to peace.

Parents and interested community members took part in a fono on Monday evening at the College, where they had a chance to voice their thoughts and concerns. This was a very worthwhile experience with a lot of feedback. What came from the meeting was a strong desire from families to be fully informed about everything to do with the College and their boys activities. They also would like more fono, and more chance to connect without it having to be about a particular issue. The feedback from the meeting has been collated and the school will work through all the issues in the near future.

Thank you to everyone involved in these events, as we all focus on the school, our parents and the boys being messengers of peace in our community.



SPECIAL CHARACTER - Mr Tutaka

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

The Special Character of our college is Catholic and Lasallian. Therefore, our school is founded on the Catholic faith with a Lasallian perspective. It is like eating food where the food itself is the Catholic faith and the flavour in which we enjoy the food is Lasallian. The Special Character is upheld through our various college prayer events, religious practices, and retreats. A retreat is an activity which each student with their class goes for a day, reflecting on their relationship with God, their relationship with each other and how they are to improve them. The day is usually filled with fun activities and deep reflection and sharing. Once someone goes on a retreat, that retreat never ends because they would be spending their whole lifetime thinking about the messages and lessons learnt. Even if they go on a different retreat.

Last Friday, the first group of our Year 9 classes went on a retreat with each class coming on retreat until this Friday. The retreat is based on Identity and Lasallian Values. This is run by UniLasalle with Matthew Apuda, our Campus Minister. A number of the Lasalle Collegians also attended and joined in with the reflection and sharing. Some of the sharing became emotional as the students strengthen their brotherhood by understanding each other's story. The involvement of UniLasalle and the Collegians in retreat events are always meaningful to our younger ones as they find their older brothers as role models. The Lasallian identity is strongly emphasised at this retreat as the retreatants try to establish who they are, guided by the values of faith, service, community and excellence.

Live Jesus in our hearts! Forever!



CURRICULUM– Mr Doyle

Ministry of Education Devices

In response to the COVID-19 emergency, the Ministry of Education worked with schools to try and deliver a digital device to students that needed one. The goal was to send them out at the start of Term 2. Unfortunately devices did not appear for many families. Some families received a device towards the end of Alert Level 3. Here at De La Sale we sent out our own school devices to as many students as we could. Thanks to all the families who have returned those so they can be used in classrooms again.



Finally, the school received a number of Ministry of Education devices as we entered Alert Level 2. In total we are aware of nearly 130 devices that were sent to families or the school. To start with the Ministry of Education passwords provided did not work. However, we have resolved that problem and I have been busily sending laptops home with students over the last two weeks. Some of the students have already purchased a laptop so these laptops have been able to be reallocated to other students. The bad news is that we will still not have enough devices YET to support all who need one. We are prioritising Year 11 – 13. The good news is that we have so far been able to send out over 60 devices home.

Each computer takes 10 or 15 minutes to set up. So as the computer loads I have been able to hear about our students experiences in lockdown. For many students it was about sharing a brother or sister's laptop, mum or dad's work computer after they had finished for the day, a smart phone or good old pen and paper. What pleases me is that out of the 80 or so students that I have seen I have only had one who did not try and complete work during the COVID-19 lockdown. Our young men were incredibly creative and resourceful. Some boys waited till late in the evening so they could use a computer. Others wrote long essays on their phones. Others took photos of work and sent to friends to upload on our Office365 and Teams platform. Most boys should be very proud of the way they tried hard to keep up with their school work. So while getting these laptops out to families has been a slow process the long term benefits for our students may be very positive.

We hope the student or students in your home enjoy using the computer and find it helpful when they are learning at home. If your son has a laptop make sure that he registers it with the schools BYOD programme. When students take the laptop home they also take the schools BYOD Agreement with them to be signed. You can also pick up a copy from the school office or get your son to ask his Homeroom Teacher. It keeps him safe when using the device at school. Students must return a signed BYOD Agreement before they can access the internet here at school.

When I give the boys the BYOD Agreement I make it clear that the student must also have the important conversation with their parents about how, when and for how long they are going to be able to use the device at home. Our students must be talking about appropriate use and safety when online. If at any time you are unhappy about your son's use of the laptop please tell us and we can get him to return it and give it to someone who needs it. We can reassure you that this computer has been pre-loaded with a content filter that protects students from accessing inappropriate websites and content. For more information about online safety, please visit www.netsafe.org.nz. Likewise, if you received a laptop and now do not want or need the computer, please contact the school through your son's Homeroom teacher. We will be able to reallocate to another student so that it can be provided to someone else.

Finally, please note this computer is now owned by De La Salle College and the computer is only for use by the student or students at your address and will need to be returned to De La Salle College when we ask for it later in the year. For students in Year 11 and 12, if the device is cared for they will have access to a device for a number of years. For Year 13 students they will return their devices at the end of the year. These will be given out to younger students in the college.

We thank the Ministry of Education for their support. Their gift to the school has helped level the playing field for some students and will help some of young men reach their true potential.



CURRICULUM- Mr Doyle



The devices from the Ministry of Education did not come with computer bags. If you have an old computer bag why not donate it to the school and we will pass on to students so they can get their computers to and from home safely.

ICT - Mr Singh

ICT Academy NCEA Computer Short Courses Offered Online & Onsite

Techtorium is currently offering NCEA Short Courses during the July School holidays via online delivery and onsite at their Newmarket location. These courses are open to Years 12 and 13 students and approved by NZQA. All course costs will be covered by the School.

The table below provides course details and dates.



JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS – NCEA SHORT COURSES					
Start Date	Places Available/Full	Short Courses	Credits	Level	Duration
Mon 6/07/2020	Available	Cyber Security	10	4	3 Days (M, T, W)
Mon 6/07/2020	Available	Cloud Technologies	9	3	3 Days (M, T, W)
Mon 6/07/2020	FULL	Programming	11	3	3 Days (M, T, W)
Mon 6/07/2020	Available	Servers	9	4	3 Days (M, T, W)
Thurs 9/07/2020	Available	Games	10	3 & 4	3 Days (Th, F, M)
Thurs 9/07/2020	Available	Programming	11	3	3 Days (Th, F, M)
Thurs 9/07/2020	Available	Cloud Technologies	9	3	3 Days (Th, F, M)
Tue 14/07/2020	Available	Programming	11	3	3 Days (T, W, Th)
Tue 14/07/2020	Available	Servers	9	4	3 Days (T, W, Th)
Tue 14/07/2020	Available	Games	10	3 & 4	3 Days (T, W, Th)

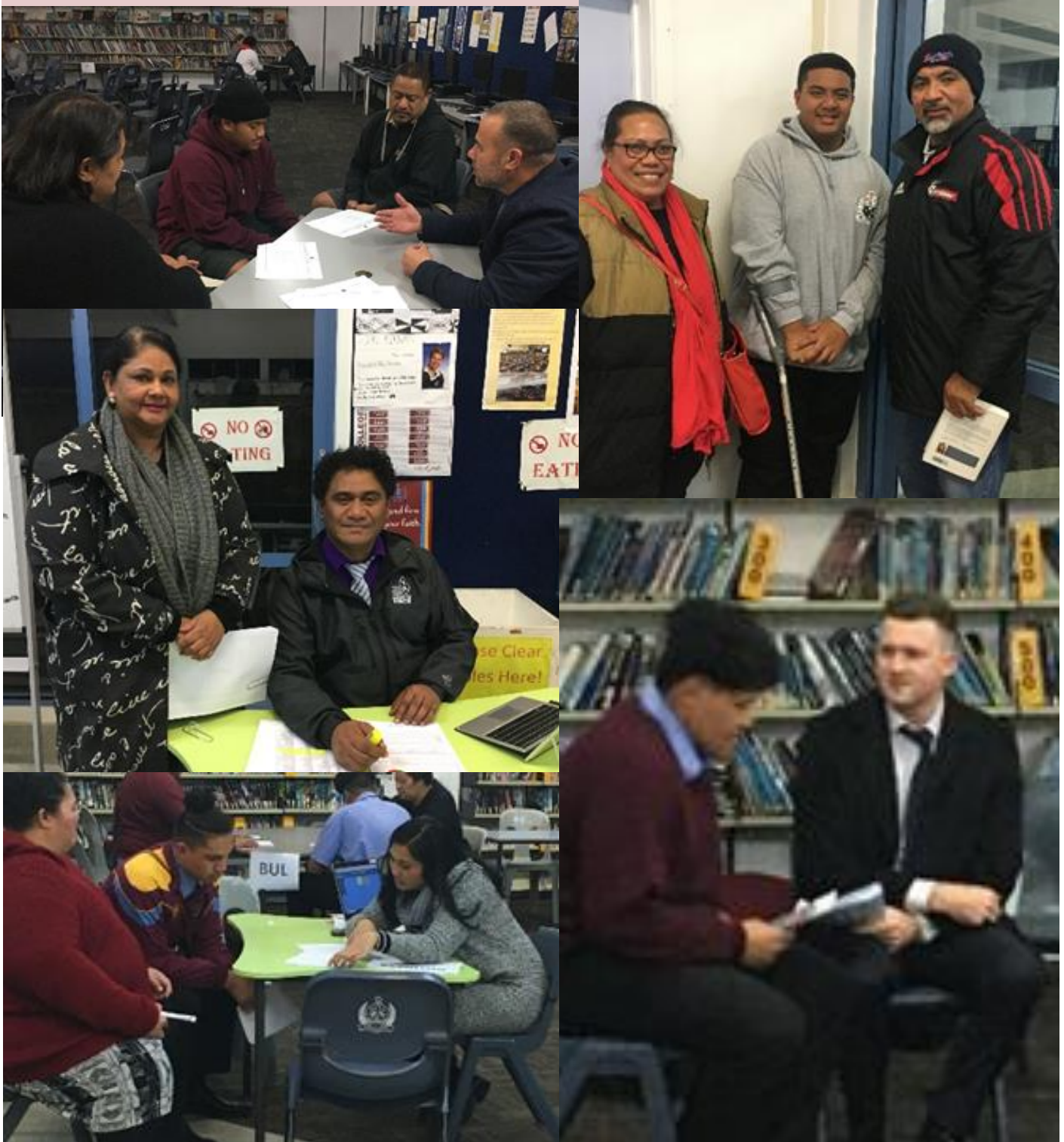
Contact Mr J Singh in Room H4 or email singhj@delasalle.school.nz for Registration details.

AP PASTORAL - Mr Charles

Year 11 NCEA Level One Support Evening

Although it was a rainy and cold Wednesday night, that didn't stop parents and students attend the Year 11 NCEA Level One support evening. The parents were able to talk with the HOFs about certain standards that their boys can still do to help achieve Level One. Those that attended said they were pleasantly overwhelmed with the support offered by their homeroom teachers and the HOFs. Overall it was a very productive and satisfying evening, that demonstrates the school and family partnership approach to student learning. I would like to thank the Year 11 Homeroom teachers, HOFs, Mr Doyle, Mr Charles and our Social workers, Angel and Chanel. A special mention goes to Mrs Hay for her hard work preparing the evening.

Mr U Hakeagatoa Year 11 Dean





FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Faculty of Science Course Endorsement



The Science faculty at the college is very proud of the following students who gained Merit and Excellence endorsement in the courses in 2019.

Their determination to succeed in science is evident through a consistent effort and achievement over the year. I would like to also acknowledge the wonderful staff in the Science faculty for the work they do with their students at all levels to help students reach their miles of success in science.

The Faculty of science offers General science course for students in Year 7 to 11 which is a stepping stone for senior specialised science courses in Year 12 and 13. Senior students have the opportunity to experience learning Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Earth and Space Science at the college. These courses opens opportunity for students to do a wide range of qualifications at universities.

Mr A Kumar Acting HOF Science



FACULTY OF SCIENCE



NCEA Level 1 Science



Merit Endorsement

Nikhil Gosai	Joseph Safiti
Lelea Halafih	Demisy Sakalia
Adeley Khan	Gerrie Sumale
Ross Kipisi	Raymond Tongotea
Maalo Lafo	Tohi Tuameiapi
Paul Lo	Josiah Tupi
Joseph Mata'utia	Michael Tupou
Jordan Mika	



NCEA Level 2 Biology



Merit Endorsement

Michael Fonotalaga
Mafi Kiola
Toma Laumaili
Elijah Pio

Excellence Endorsement

Sunia Filimoeahala
Samisoni Pailate



NCEA Level 2 Chemistry



Merit Endorsement

Nerony Evile
Fred Gasu
Mafi Kiola
Toma Laumaili
Luani Nansen
Wilson Nguyen
Elijah Pio

Excellence Endorsement

Sunia Filimoeahala
Samisoni Pailate
Wallace Sititi



NCEA Level 2 Physics



Merit Endorsement

Mafi Kiola
Wilson Nguyen
Wallace Sititi
Manu Saipani
Isaac Luamanuvae

Excellence Endorsement

Samisoni Pailate
Toma Laumaili
Fred Gasu



NCEA Level 3 Chemistry



Merit Endorsement

Vincent Ioane
Kristoffa Seve
Jervis Tuileisu
Conor Dolan
Hans Johansson
Malo Salesa

Excellence Endorsement

Josala Talosaga
Alex Birparva



NCEA Level 3



Level 3 Physics: Merit

George Faiva	Josiah Talosaga
Henry Feki	Eneliko Petaia
Jervis Tuileisu	Malo Salesa

Level 3 Earth and Space Science Excellence

Hans Higgins

YEAR 13 DEBATE



Y13 RE class debate thorny subject of Euthanasia

The top senior RE class at De La Salle were challenged to debate the subject of Euthanasia, addressing the motion 'This house supports Euthanasia'. Two teams eagerly prepared powerful arguments for and against the motion in the limited time available. The pro-team 'Enthusiasm' was of **Mafi Kiola** and **Shawn Chand**, and the opposing team 'Kipolo' against the motion of **Samisoni Pailate** and **Wilson Nguyen** gave stimulating and compelling arguments. The pro- team who said it was to avoid cruel suffering, that sick and injured animals being commonly put down and the crippling financial issues, and that death was inevitable and is a basic human right. They also pointed out that not everyone is religious so any appeal to theology was unhelpful. The opposing team quoted church teachings, the likely snowball effect if Euthanasia was allowed, and that no one has the right to end another's life, and that with advances in treatment pain and suffering is being reduced. After careful reflection and due process the judge ruled the result was a draw. Well done to all involved.

Mr Fuimaono Tuiasau Y13 RE teacher



LITERACY CENTRE

Literacy Centre's Millionaire Club

We have our first two new millionaires in the Literacy Centre's Millionaire Club. Congratulations to



Kelesi Filimoehala 7STW

Ayush Gosai 7KUR

To become a member, a student needs to read one million words or more, in the Scholastic Lexile Reading Programme, before the end of Term 3 holidays. In order to achieve one million words read, students need to be disciplined and self-motivated, in other words "A man of excellence".

This is a great academic achievement and students are acknowledged in a whole school assembly, receiving a certificate and an academic badge. Millionaires also have their names added to the Millionaires Honours Board on display in the Literacy Centre.

We are looking forward to welcoming more students to the Millionaires Club in the near future.

Here is **Wallace Sititi** presenting Lexile prizes to class representatives from 7AND and 8ABR.



JJ Palea, Wallace Sititi, and Psalms Vaotuaa



Aisea Niuafe, Wallace Sititi, and Sione Nisa



GREEN CHAIR INTERVIEW



Today's interview, 23 June 2020, is with **Wallace Sititi**, captain of the De La Salle College First XV and deputy head-boy.



What is one of the greatest things about being the captain of the 1st XV?

It's definitely an honour and a privilege to lead such a great group of young men.

Are you good at any other sports other than rugby?

I like to think so. I think I'm okay at volleyball.

From the day you started playing rugby for our school, did you aim to be the captain?

I didn't aim specifically to be the captain. Generally, I aim to be the best I can be at whatever I do.

What makes you most proud about being a student at De La Salle College?

Being part of the brotherhood and the sense of pride in the school.

When you leave De La Salle College, will you still pursue a career in rugby? If not, what are your plans?

I will try to see how far I can go in rugby. I would also like a career in aviation or engineering.

What is your favourite book?

That would have to be the book "Hatchet" by Gary Paulsen.

What are some hobbies you like to do in your free time?

In my free time I enjoy music, playing the keyboard, singing in the church choir, and of course, eating.

What was your weight in Yr7 and what is your weight now?

My weight in Year 7 was 60kg and now it's 105kg.

If you were the principal, what would you change about De La Salle College?

That is a tough one, I'm not sure. There are a lot of resources to help students achieve but not all students are taking up the opportunity. I would like to see different ways of teaching in order to reach everyone.

What are some of the countries you have been to and which one was your favourite?

My father played rugby all around the world. I lived in Scotland, Japan and France. My favourite country that I visited would have to be Scotland, that is where I got my first name.

What is your favourite memory of Yr7 and 8?

Coming to the Literacy Centre. The Literacy Centre teachers made us work but we had lots of fun.

What are 3 words you would use to describe yourself?

Self-reliant – patient – resilient.

Green Chair interviews will also be posted on De La Salle's Facebook page. Interviewer – **Aisea Niuafe**, filmed by **Sione Nisa**, both students from 8ABR. Interview in the Literacy Centre.

"Boys Who Read Achieve"

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

CAREERS DEPARTMENT

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:

Many tertiary scholarships are now open for application, and students need to be proactive in researching and applying for these.



MONEYHUB is an excellent source of information about scholarships, and students and their families need to be on the site regularly as it is updated with new scholarships.

<https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html>

*MoneyHub, has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2021. The list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Maori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list.

*Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available. MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success.

For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit the MoneyHub Scholarship page

*Due to Covid-19 many scholarships are released later than usual this year - but you can still do your planning based on what was offered last year, and be ready to apply when they open up. Add Moneyhub to your favourites and visit it often.

The Careers staff offer application and scholarship workshops every day and we are encouraging our students to complete their 2021 applications before the end of this term. Families are encouraged to be part of this process

TERTIARY OPEN DAYS:

Many tertiary open days and Information sessions are online this year – and very accessible to our students from home as long as they have a device and Internet access.



*On Tuesday (30th) from 5.30 – 6.30pm, **Auckland University** will be running their Future Students Engineering Info session. It is important that all students interested in Engineering take part in this. Year 11 – 13 students would find it interesting and informative to help with future planning. Students need to register now at: response.auckland.ac.nz/efe

MEDIA DESIGN SCHOOL MINI OPEN DAY



The MDS Mini Open Day gives students and whānau the opportunity to have one-on-one conversations with the Media Design School team, so that you can find out everything you need to know about applying for and studying with Media Design School, including scholarships.

Wednesday 15th July: 10am – 1pm (in the school holidays)

L16, 92 Albert Street, Auckland

Go online to www.mediadesignschool.com to register



BLACK LIVES MATTER MARCH



Martin Luther King Jr. said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere".

Myself and some students attended the Black Lives Matter march on Sunday the 14th of June to walk in solidarity and to show our support. It is awesome to see our school and our students standing up for our people and for issues that we as a nation need to vocalize. It isn't enough to not be racist but we need to create a culture of Anti-racism. This means standing up against casual racism that has become a normal part of our culture. I encourage all our young people in our College to stand up for causes that they believe in to make this world a better place for future generations. Remember, it was only a group of young teenagers who started the Polynesian Panthers in the 70s to stand up for issues in Polynesian communities. Their efforts have left a legacy that is still being talked about and remembered today.

Miss Jessie Phillips (Art Teacher)

JUNIOR RUGBY COACHES NEEDED

We **urgently** need coaches for our Under 13 rugby team.
Please help to support our boys!

Contact: Alex Perez, Sports Coordinator on 276 4319 ext 906 or
pereza@delasalle.school.nz

Who?
YEARS 7-13+

When?
**MON 6 - WED
9 JULY**

**MON 13 -
WED 16 JULY**

**12:30 -
4:30PM**

ENQUIRIES:
**PATRICK
ISA'AKO
0212521105**

SouthSide Assist
presents:

**FREE
HOLIDAY
BASKETBALL
WORKSHOPS**

Where?
**DE LA SALLE
COLLEGE
81 GRAY AVE
MANGERE
EAST**



FEATURING

**ALL THE
USUAL
SUSPECTS
AS WELL
AS A FEW
GUEST
COACHES**

FACEBOOK:

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ASSIST
AUCKLAND**

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**SOUTHSIDE.ASSIST.
BASKETBALL.NZ**



**FOUNDATION
NORTH**
*Te Kaitiaki Pūtahi o
Tāmaki o Tāi Toherau*

**the
Saints
are
coming
to De La
Salle**

**Free taster basketball
sessions this Wednesday
and Friday**

Wednesday 1 July

**6-7pm (ages up to yr6)
7-8pm (yrs 7-10)**

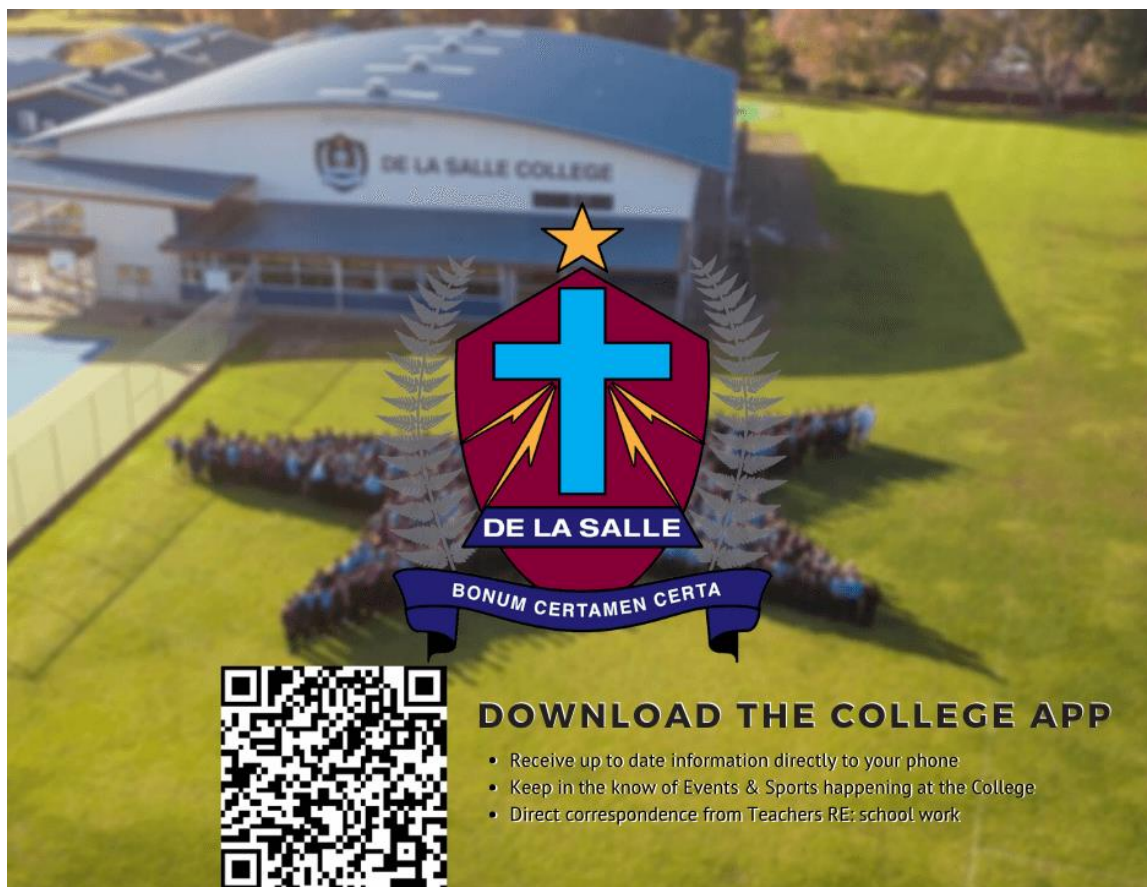
**Quick skills sessions, then
breaking into games.**

Friday 3 July

**6 - 8:30pm (open run,
best suited for yr11 up)**

Open Scrimmage

**ALL
ENQUIRIES CALL/TXT
PATRICK ISA'AKO:
021 252 1105**



DOWNLOAD THE COLLEGE APP

- Receive up to date information directly to your phone
- Keep in the know of Events & Sports happening at the College
- Direct correspondence from Teachers RE: school work

Spaces are filling fast!

We have already started interviewing for 2021



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De La Salle creates Great Men of Faith, Service, Community and Excellence

- 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



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