



COMPANY

NEWSLETTER OF LOYOLA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

"I refuse to accept the view that mankind is so tragically bound to the starless midnight of racism and war that bright daylight of peace and brotherhood can never become a reality...I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality ...I believe that even amid today's mortar bursts and whining bullets, there is still hope for a brighter tomorrow ...I have the audacity to believe that people everywhere can have dignity, equality, to believe that people everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality and freedom for their spirits...I still believe that one day mankind will bow down before the altars of God and be crowned triumphant over war and bloodshed, and non violent redemptive goodwill will overcome..."

The above words were written and spoken over 50 years ago by Dr Martin Luther King Jr. In many ways they are the message of Easter. The risen Christ has prevailed over death and darkness, and his resurrection provides all people of faith with the audacity to hope that the "starless midnight" of racism, war and bloodshed will give way to the "bright daylight of peace and brotherhood".

This Easter season of 2011 makes these words of Dr King particularly poignant. The "starless midnight of war and bloodshed has this Easter dominated recent news from the Middle East and Holy Land and while many of us celebrated the Easter session with friends and family the peoples of Syria, Libya, Yemen and Palestine found themselves struggling for their lives and the right to be heard.

Lets us continue to pray for the peoples of the Middle East and hope that "non violent redemptive goodwill will overcome" and that the "Arab Spring" will prevail.

The Easter Ceremonies and Year 11 SRC Members Induction

Closer to home, the term has commenced with the celebration of the risen Christ and the induction of Loyola's new Student Representative Council members. The unusually late Easter combined with Holy Week falling during the holidays meant that our usual "washing of the feet" paraliturgy held on Holy Thursday could not be undertaken. Instead Loyola's Chaplain Fr Iain Radvan SJ presided at a celebration of the Risen Christ and the induction during the second week of term. Congratulation to the new Year 11 SRC members:-

Janine Bocasan, Earl Vicente, Price Johnson and Jacob Camilleri,

who made their commitments of office and service before the assembled Loyola community.

Staff News

This term **Mr Steve Corbett, (HSIE TLC Coordinator) Ms Sue Hastings (PDHPE TLC Coordinator), Mrs Lita Picart (TACA) and Mrs Michelle Camilleri (TACA) Mr George Hayter (Maintenance Staff)** are taking all or part of the term as long service leave.

Chifley Leadership Awards – Nicholas Ward

In the last edition of Company we reported that one of the Presidents of the Loyola SRC **Nicholas Ward** had been nominated for the Chifley Leadership award. Nicholas was named district runner up and received a cash prize at a ceremony hosted by local member for Chifley the Hon Ed Husic and with Minister Peter Garrett in attendance. We congratulate Nic on his well earned award!

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Year 11 2012 Subject Expo and Enrolment Information Night – 7th June 2011.

Enrolment packages for Year 11 2012 will be distributed only at the **Subject Expo and Information Night to be held on Tuesday 7th June commencing at 5.30pm.** The evening will consist of displays and demonstrations by all faculties and subjects including the Loyola Trade Training Centre. All Year 10 St Agnes and St Clare students have been sent a letter of invitation to the Subject Expo and Information Night.

A reminder to all Year 10 St Agnes and St Clare's students that "Intention to Enrol- Year 11 2012" forms are **NOW OVERDUE.** Any Year 10 students, who have not returned their forms to Loyola, need to do so immediately to avoid the disappointment of missing out on a Year 11 place next year.

Further details regarding enrolment into Year 11 for 2012 can be obtained from the Enrolment Registrar Ms Lina Saliba.

Why Choose a Catholic School?

This Company contains a short article on why parents should consider the enrolment of their children into a Catholic School. It presents the spiritual, formational and educational arguments for enrolment into a Catholic School.

Wynhausen Bequest

The Loyola community once again acknowledges the Wynhausen Family for their continued support of Loyola through the bequest established at the school last year. The latest contribution from the bequest arrived at Loyola during the term break. The bequest was set up at Loyola by members of the Wynhausen family in memory of Jules Wynhausen a tireless worker within the migrant and refugee communities of NSW who died in 2007. The bequest has been established to help students from refugee or recent migrant backgrounds that experience severe economic disadvantage and covers tuition and uniform expenses.

"Help Beyond Christmas" Appeal

Thank you also to the St Bernadette's Parish, Castle Hill and the St Vincent De Paul Society for their ongoing support of Loyola students through the "Help Beyond Christmas Appeal". Monies received from the Parish are used to support mature age students and single parents undertaking their HSC at Loyola. This year Loyola has nine students over the age of 19 undertaking the HSC.

In a departure from the norm, the Parish has given permission for some of the monies donated this year to be used to help fund Loyola's 2011 World Youth Day pilgrims travel to Madrid.

I take this opportunity to once again thank Fr John Boyle, Parish Priest and the members of St

Bernadette's Parish for their generous and faithful support of Loyola.

Jesuit Schools Debating Carnival

Planning is well underway for the Jesuit Schools Debating Carnival to be held at Loyola in July (10th to 12th) with seven Jesuit and Partner schools from around Australia indicating their willingness to participate. Mrs Catherine Larkin (AP) and Mr. Anthony Pope (House Coordinator- Faber) is undertaking the organization of the carnival. Mrs. Lyn Wright (House Coordinator – Ward) will shortly be calling for Loyola families to offer billet places in their homes to interstate students coming to Loyola for the carnival.

Jesuit Schools Soccer Carnival

The Loyola Boys Soccer team will travel to Melbourne to compete in the Jesuit Schools Soccer Tournament in the July term break. Fundraising is underway at school during this term to enable the team to cover the costs of the tournament.

Trade Training Update

Construction of Stage II of the Trade Training Centre is underway and due for completion in late November. The large concrete slab of Stage II is currently being poured and walls are due to go up in a few weeks time.

Next year Loyola will offer Cert III courses in automotive, engineering and metals, carpentry, flooring and shop fitting. Students undertaking these courses will leave Loyola at the end of Year 12 with a HSC and the first year of their apprenticeship training completed. To date we have 39 expressions of interest for the 2012 TTC courses. Students interested in Trade Training Centre enrolment for 2012 should contact either Ms Saliba, Enrolment Registrar or Mrs. Tammy Prestage, Assistant Principal and Director of the Trade Training Centre.

This addition of Company also contains a colour insert dealing with The Trade Training Centre.

Professional Experience for Principals (PEP Study Leave)

At the beginning of June Nic Vidot (Principal, St Andrew's College) and I will be heading to Canada and the USA for PEP Study Leave. While in Canada we will visit Mary Ward High in Toronto which specializes in negotiated, personalised learning for its students. While in Canada we hope to visit the shrine of the Jesuit Martyrs at Midland. Following Canada, Nic and I will spend the remainder of our leave working in Boston at the Principal's Centre at Harvard and finally undertaking a leadership retreat at the Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Weston Ma.

In my absence Mrs Larkin will be Acting Principal and Mr Ben Deak Acting Assistant Principal.

Stop Press

As we go to print news has reached Loyola that **Kieran Stubbs** has been awarded a Defence Technical Scholarship for 2011. Kieran will be presented with his award at an assembly later in the term. Congratulations Kieran.

Difficulty Paying Fees?

A reminder to parents that the Term 1 fee accounts are now overdue and Term 2 fees are due for settlement by 1 June, 2011. All families on current arrangements please continue.

Should you be experiencing any difficulties with payment of fees please don't hesitate to contact either the Fees Secretary Mrs Rebecca Lawson Ph 98321471 or myself to discuss the matter. The Fees Office is open till 3.00pm on Mondays and Tuesdays, 4.30pm on Wednesdays and 4.00pm on Thursdays and Fridays. All matters relating to the payment of fees are discussed in the strictest of confidence.



Mr Robert Laidler
Principal

FROM YOUR SPIRITUAL REPORTER

Osama bin Laden is dead – is this an Easter event of 'liberation from the power of sin and death'? From the reports of glee and satisfaction in the newspapers it would not seem so. Easter is not about smashing our enemies but offering them forgiveness. Thanks to a minority of extremists the public relationship between Moslems and the West has not been good these last few decades, nor, by implication, Christian Moslem relationships.

At Loyola about 300 students take Studies of Religion for their HSC. Besides learning more about the beliefs and practices of Christianity, they also learn more about Islam. These students discover that the media presents a very one sided view of Islam. Our students are among the only one out of six Australians who have a good understanding of this religion. Without some real knowledge of Islam the average Australian has a very stereotyped and fearful attitude to Moslems. In his autobiography St Ignatius recorded a theological dispute he had with a Moslem that could have ended in bloodshed – that was early on in his journey of conversion! Nowadays Jesuits are among those in the forefront of dialogue between Christians and Moslems. The purpose is not to convert nor be converted, but to gain an objective and nuanced understanding of each one's beliefs and practices. Those who engage in such dialogue with an open mind and a generous heart gain a new appreciation of their own faith and become

friends with those of the other faith. Fear and ignorance are dispelled.

At Loyola we are especially mindful of persons of different faiths because we are not all Catholics, nor even all Christians. Our young men and women initially tolerate such differences because they do not want to stir up conflict (and their theological view is mostly liberal, allowing that people of all faiths will enter God's reign in the world to come); after a few semesters of discussion in Studies of Religion, their mere tolerance is enriched with more respect for the differences (and similarities) in their faiths and practices.

Osama bin Laden is dead but the grace of reaching out to strangers and enemies that Jesus demonstrated by his Death and Resurrection is alive and challenges us still.

Fr Iain Radvan s.j. – Chaplain

WHY CHOOSE A CATHOLIC SCHOOL?

Today's Catholic schools offer students a personalised, meaningful and relevant 21st century education. They seek to improve the learning outcomes for all students and to ensure professionally rewarding working lives for staff.

Catholic schools enrol about 20 percent of Australia's school students. Many families choose a Catholic school because:

Catholic schools are faith-based and are founded on Christian values

The Catholic faith is not just taught in Religious Education classes but is experienced within the school's culture. Catholic schools are Christ-centred and gospel values from part of everyday life, with students learning what it is to be welcoming, just and socially aware. Catholic schools work with their local parishes to deepen the faith life of students and provide opportunities for prayer and formation.

Catholic schools are committed to delivering a quality education

Learning programs are innovative, personalised and relevant to the needs of today's students. The individual child is the focus of learning and teaching and a broad curriculum caters for a wide range of interests and abilities. Catholic schools offer students access to the latest resources and tools necessary for a contemporary learning experience.

Catholic schools are supportive, yet challenging, places

Building a warm and welcoming community is extremely important in Catholic schools. Equally important is the establishment of goals. In a Catholic school, expectations of achievement and conduct are high. Students, parent, teachers and pastors work in partnership to provide a supportive learning environment while challenging

each student to reach their full potential, academically, spiritually, physically and emotionally.

UPDATES FROM ARRUPÉ HOUSE



Arrupé House began our Easter celebrations with an activity in Pastoral Care that proved to be a lot of fun and encouraged the members of each Tutor Group to work as a team. Each Tutor Group was given a newspaper, a roll of sticky tape and a pair of scissors and they had 20 minutes to dress-up one member of their Tutor Group in the theme of Easter. Arrupé House then gathered in the Lecture Theatre for the parade and judging, whereby Mrs Picart's Tutor Group 4 was awarded the overall winner, with **Alexies Adao** dressed-up as a chicken emerging from an egg. Mr Thai's Tutor Group 2 was awarded a prize for originality, when they dressed-up **Aris Villanueva** as the Easter fairy.



This Term at our Easter Liturgy I was pleased to formally recognise our Year 12 Arrupé House Leaders and award them with their House Leader badges. The Year 12 Arrupé House Leaders for 2011 are **Susan Pale** and **Yousif Oraha**. At this assembly I also had the honour of announcing our new Year 11 House leaders and Mr. Laidler presented them with their badges. The Arrupé House leaders from Year 11 for 2011 are **Alexies Adao** and **Fayad Fayad**. I look forward to working with these outstanding four students as the year progresses.

Recently, we have also finalised our House Crests, thanks largely to our team of students who

researched **Pedro Arrupé** and gathered ideas and information that they felt was representative of his work and life.

Mrs Megan Rodriguez
Arrupé House Coordinator

MCCORMACK HOUSE

It was a pleasure to announce the House Captains for 2011 at our Easter Liturgy. McCormack House Leaders for 2011 are **Stephanie Mudge** and **Patrick Talaga**. I wish them all the best as they lead the McCormack House through its foundation year.



Stephanie Mudge and Patrick Talaga -
McCormack House Leaders

McCormack House had their first "staff meeting" at the end of term. As we are a workplace of learning, our assembly times are just like staff meetings and their "bosses" address the students (staff) on various issues. Mr Laidler handed out many awards for the recent interim reports, assessment requirements were discussed and reinforced, lateness, student absences and uniform requirements were also revisited. Just like any workplace, the students were reminded of the policies and requirements of our workplace as well as the expectations and high standards that have been set for them.

My best wishes to all of McCormack House as they head out for their first block of work placement. I encourage them to learn as much as possible about their chosen trades, to work hard and make a great first impression for the Trade Training Centre.

Mrs G Osterlund - House Coordinator

FABER HOUSE

It is with great pride that I announce the election of our new Year 11 House Leaders, **Stephanie Eggins [TG 15]** and **Jonathan Manibog [TG 9]**. Stephanie and Jonathan join our Year 12 House Leaders, **Shelby Vassallo [TG 12]** and **Daniel Sagurit [TG 12]**. All of our House Leaders were presented with their badges and officially inducted into their roles at our recent Easter Liturgy. During the coming weeks all of our House Leaders

will be planning activities for Pastoral Care lessons and events, such as Faber Day.

We have just finalised the striking of a mould to make new House badges which will be presented to Year 12 students from Faber House. The badges will mark their position as the senior students within the school and will be worn on the lapel of the school blazer.

The Faber House Tutors and I commend the Year 12 students from our House for their efforts during the first semester of their HSC studies. Most of their Half Yearly Reports show strong signs of a consistent effort across all subjects, and many Fabarian students have improved in their marks and rankings since the final Preliminary reporting period. Reports were collected at the recent Parent Teacher Night, and any parents that were unable to attend the night should collect their daughter or son's report from the Front Office.

We also commend the Year 11 Fabarian students for their commendable application towards their first formal examination period in senior school. At the time that this article was produced, not a single student had been absent from an examination, and conduct during exams has been exemplary. The habits being formed at this early stage surely auger well for success throughout the HSC.

Faber House Leaders, 2011



Stephanie Eggins



Jonathan Manibog



Shelby Vassallo



Daniel Sagurit

Anthony Pope -House Co-ordinator

A HIGH ACHIEVER FROM WARD HOUSE



On May 2nd **Sara Barendregt** competed in the NSWCCC swimming carnival in several of the multi class events. She achieved 2nd place in all five events and, as a result, was selected to represent CCC in the NSW All Schools Swimming Carnival on Monday 9th May. This carnival consisted of students from Catholic, Independent and Government schools across the state and the competition was fierce. She represented CCC in the multi class events for all four swimming strokes for 50m, 100m freestyle and the 4x 50 m freestyle relay. Her relay team gained 3rd place and Sara was given 4th place for the 50m butterfly.

Congratulations Sara on a wonderful achievement!

FROM THE TRADE TRAINING CENTRE LIAISON OFFICER

Term 2 sees the Trade Training Centre future electricians; hairdressers and chefs start their first block of work placement. All students are now completing either a full-time 3-week work placement block or continuing their employment as an apprentice or trainee with their employer. Good luck to all the Trade Training Centre students and, we know you will do a great job.

A big thanks to all of our host employers for supporting the Trade Training Centre and the industry's future workers with work placement.

Thank you again to:

Hospitality	Electrical	Hairdressing
The Park Royal, Parramatta	A1 Sydney Electrical, Hassell Grove	Catwalk, Westfield Parramatta
Chifley Hotel, Eastern Creek	R & T Electrical, Windsor	Christianses, St Mary's
Sebel Parramatta	TH Freeman Electrical, Rooty Hill	Christiane's, Plumpton
Carousel Inn, Rooty Hill	Hix Group, Penrith	Deep Hair, Smithfield
Panthers Group	Tactical Electrical, Penrith	Indulge, Minchinbury
Restaurant Como, Blaxland	Sebs Electrical	S.81, St Clair
Castle Hill RSL	Graham Whiticker Electrical, Penrith	Lattouf, Westfield Parramatta

Hospitality	Electrical	Hairdressing
Blacktown Workers Club	Cags Electrical, Penrith	Salon Temptations, Parramatta
Colyton Hotel	21st Century Electrical, St Clair	Stylz, Westfield Parramatta
	ANE Group	Dejavogue, Croydon
	Stowe Electrical	Stylz, Westfield Miranda
	Temperzone, Blacktown	
	Airtight Electrical, St Clair	

We appreciate your support in helping to train young people starting out in the electrical, hairdressing and hospitality industries.

We have to congratulate a number of students again with them securing apprenticeships and traineeships at the end of term 1 and over the holidays. Well done to **Cassandra Bonfiglio, Angelo Macca, Stephanie Mudge and Ashleigh Jack** for landing traineeships in hospitality at Rooty Hill RSL. The interviews were tough and there was a lot of stiff competition for the positions.

Congratulations to Joel Simunovic who has secured an apprenticeship with *Strategic Fire Services* in Castle Hill. Joel is extremely excited about starting his apprenticeship and working towards his career with the team at Strategic.

Congratulations lastly to **Lily Panipasa** who has started her apprenticeship with *LaRell's Hair and Beauty* in Westpoint Blacktown. Lily loves her new job and the great people from LaRell's.

There are now 13 apprentices and trainees at the Trade Centre who are building on their skills and developing their careers as electricians, hairdressers or chefs. This is a great start to the maiden year of the Trade Training Centre.

We are still looking for more local business in our community to develop partnerships with and help support us in training future trade's people. Can you help us with industry exposure and work placement? This is a great opportunity to have input into the training of people starting out in the different trades and the future of the Electrical, Hospitality, Hairdressing, Automotive, Shopfitting, Carpentry and Metal and Engineering industries. We can help you with Apprenticeships and Traineeships. The Loyola Trade Training Centre is here to support local business. I am available at any time to come and speak to business about work placement opportunities and School-Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships.

Please don't hesitate to contact us for more information about Loyola or if you want to be a partner with Loyola Trade Training Centre. We would love to have you as part of our team!

Tim Summers

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TRADE TRAINING CENTRE

WSFM Radio Station Visits Loyola The street team from WSFM radio station visited Loyola on Monday 3 May as part of Catholic Schools Week celebrations.

WSFM's street team came in their Black Thunder vehicle to meet our Trade Training Centre (TTC) students and staff and to hand out free goodies at the end of the school day.

The school community was buzzing with excitement as the students gathered around the team who broadcast the visit to the school. Overall the students and staff were very excited about WSFM coming to visit as it fostered a great school spirit.



WSFM with Students at Loyola



Mrs Carbonari showing off the new kitchen

Loyola Trade Training Centre – New Kitchen

This term we have taken possession of our fantastic Hospitality facility which includes the commercial kitchen, classroom and café space which will also double as a very large function area. The coloured lift out in this edition of

Company is a montage of all of the new facilities built in Stage 1 of the Trade Training Centre. As well as the new Hospitality Facility, we now have two Hairdressing salons, an Electrotechnology classroom and practical area, new general classrooms, an extension to the Library, a large maintenance shed and an extension to the staff study as well as extensive landscaping and pathways throughout the new areas of the school.

Tammy Prestage
Assistant Principal (Vocational Programs)

PDSSSC GIRLS' FOOTBALL GALA DAY

On Tuesday March 29th a team of 14 female students represented the school in the PDSSSC Girls' Football Gala Day which was held at Whalan Reserve. For most of the students this was not their first Gala Day, so they knew how to have a fun time together on the field.

Our first game was against OLMC. We were first to get points on the board through a right-foot kick by **Anna Belobrajdic**, which came after a great passage of passing at the beginning of the match. OLMC came back at us and we ended up losing 3-1. **Lei Ah-Wong** was impressive as our goalie.

Our second game was against a very fast and skilled outfit from Catherine McAuley College. Catherine McAuley scored 6 unanswered points against our team, which I think says enough about the level of play Catherine McAuley should compared to Loyola.

Our third game was against Cerdon College. Coming after a bye, Loyola stepped up their game and began working as a team. **Anamaria Piliae** was hard-working as goalie, as Lei had a go at running on the field playing in the backs. An unfortunate call that gave Cerdon a penalty kick in the 18 yard box had them win the match 1-0. **Danielle Zarb** was close to scoring a goal during this match.

Our last game was against a young and fearless side from St Marks College. Loyola played hard but was defeated 3-0.

Thank you to the girls who played: **Nicola Riini, Danielle Zarb, Allison Arteta-Pacheco, Amanda Azzopardi, Rachel Harpley, Erin Miller, Julia Koko, Anna Belobrajdic, Lei Ah-Wong, Samantha Benbow, Amina Mahmood, April Diego, Anamaria Piliae, Paetalita Lamositele, Christina Kiteau.**

A special mention should also go to **Steven Matti** from year 11 who refereed on the day.

Miss Maria Celeste Dizon - Coach

PDSSSC VOLLEYBALL

After some very competitive battles from all three Loyola Volleyball teams we were fortunate enough to have a Loyola Gold (Yr 12) vs. Loyola White (Yr 11) grand final. Another very close match with several extended rallies saw Loyola Gold leading by 8 points at half time. Unfortunately for the Gold team there were two halves to the game and they were unable to hold off the fiery White team who ended up winning by 12 points. Congratulations to all the girls who participated in all three teams. It was a very enjoyable season for all.

The members of the winning team were: **Monica Mulipola, Pipiena Vakauta, Rosalia Tuafale, Stevana Laupala, Kalameli Mele, Rania Esho, Louisa Luatuanuu, Silia Finau, Moyetta Sini and Fine Masila.**

Miss Watts, Mrs Holland and Mr Gale - Coaches

JESUIT CUP UPDATE

On Friday 6th May the school had a mufti day to raise money to assist the Jesuit Cup teams in their quest to show their talents to the other Jesuit schools around Australia. Thank you to all students for participating in this. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Miss Watts - Manager

MEET THE PLAYERS

Full Name: Anesu Murima-Rarami

Date of Birth – 27/7/1994
County of Birth – Zimbabwe
Current year level at Loyola – 11
Previous School – St Clare's Catholic High School, Hassall Grove

Number of Siblings – 2
Sports Played outside of school – Representative basketball

Jesuit team selected in – Soccer and Basketball
Sporting achievements in last 5 years – Rooty Hill indoor soccer champions 2009-2010, 2010 Runners up in club Basketball competition, 2011 summer basketball competition champions

Who is your sporting role model and why? – Carmelo Anthony because he is a beast and I feel I resemble him when I play.

What are you looking forward to most on your trip to Melbourne? – Getting to hang out with my mates and just enjoy myself

What are your goals for after school? – I would like to go to University to study Civil Engineering.



Full Name – Alex Lind

Date of Birth – 19/8/93

County of Birth – Australia

Current year level at Loyola – 12

Previous School – St Clare's Catholic High School, Hassall Grove

Number of Siblings – 2

Sports Played outside of school – Soccer, Ten Pin Bowling, Taekwondo, Indoor and Outdoor Cricket

Jesuit team selected in – Soccer

Sporting achievements in the last 5 years – Won Ten Pin Bowling competition, Soccer grand final and Cricket grand final.

Who is your sporting role model and why? – Nathan Hindmarsh because he is a hard worker and good captain, also Alex Brosque because he is a good and athletic soccer player and I want to try and play like him.

What are you looking forward to most on your trip to Melbourne? – Experiencing the city and visiting other schools.

What are your goals for after school? – I am not sure yet.

Any other interesting facts about yourself? – I am a first dan black belt in Taekwondo, my highest ten pin bowling score is 234, my highest cricket batting score is 106 not out and my highest soccer juggles is 415.



LOYOLA WINS LOCAL BASKETBALL COMPETITION!

Loyola Senior High School recently competed in the Parramatta Diocese Secondary School Sports Council's Season 1 Basketball Competition. With some tough games along the way – Loyola finished this season as undefeated minor premiers and favourites in the grand final.

LSHS played second placed - St. Andrew's College, Marayong in the grand final.

Crowd support on both sides was deafening as both teams looked very anxious at the beginning of this important game, especially since Loyola were without the services of Centre **Garang Awac**. The Loyola team started slowly while St. Andrew's were able to score some early baskets, putting the favourites under some pressure to perform early on.

'Anesu' stood up in the early stages of the game, which gave the rest of the boys some much needed confidence and inspiration. This allowed the Loyola boys to settle in to the contest, and then they were able to demonstrate their skills. As such Loyola took some control of the match leading 22-15 at the half-time break.

The rest of the game was a hard-fought, physical encounter, played at high intensity. Player leadership demonstrated by Captain - Chris

Challita, while key plays Robbie Baena guided the Loyola team towards the win. The game finished as a win to Loyola: 40-25.

The victory is a good beginning to the rest of the Basketball season at Loyola as the team enters into training in the next couple of weeks and as they head into the Bankstown Cup in June.

Congratulations to the team.

Craig Saad – Coach

LOYOLA WINS SOCCER GALA DAY!

The Loyola Senior High School Soccer Team recently participated in a gala day run by the PDSSSC. With the selections of the Soccer team recently finalized (to compete in the PDSSSC, NSWCCC and prestigious Jesuit Cup tournaments) this was the team's first 'hit-out' as a whole unit – lead by Captain Nic Toohill for the day. In this competition, amongst 8 schools, Loyola was certain to play 3 games and then compete for placing according to how well the team ranked in their particular pool. Our first game played out as a 1-1 draw against McCarthy. There were early signs that the Loyola team has great ability, but there were kinks in their structure and as a consequence there were a lot of errors. The next match demonstrated an improved ability to play together and the performance showed in the 4-1 score line. Leading into the final game, Loyola was tied on the top of the draw with McCarthy and needed a better point's differential to lead the pool. While Loyola took care of business and won the final game 4-2. Loyola won their pool – now facing an equally undefeated St. Andrews team that had a better differential in their pool. In the Grand Final Loyola attacked early on, controlling the ball, having a lot of possession and in the process hitting the post twice in a couple of chances. Tournament leading goal scorer, David was brought down in the penalty box, and converted a routine shot at goal. 1-0. While St. Andrews showed a lot better form when they settled into the game, and even hit the posts on a strike win about 2 minutes to go, Loyola were good enough to hold on for the win. The players chose team Back – **Hrvoje Jakovljevic** as the best player over the tournament. What stood out most to me was the improvement from game to game. The boys enjoy playing in this team and playing for each other and built some good form early on – the win was a good confidence-boosting bonus!

Craig Saad – Coach

PDSSSC TOUCH FOOTBALL GALA DAY

On Friday 1st April 2011, Loyola Senior High School participated in the PDSSSC Touch Football Gala Day at the Kingsway, Werrington. Although both the boys' and girls' teams were unsuccessful on the day, both teams displayed commitment and sportsmanship.

The boys' games were tough and fast, only losing by 1 or 2 points. Our final game, however, was the most enjoyable and entertaining against McCarthy Catholic College. Congratulations to **Lindsay Elliott** scoring the winning try.

A special thanks to **Peter Taateo** for coaching the boys' team as well as **Mark Camilleri** (Class of 2007) or refereeing on the day. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

Finally thank you to the players for your behaviour and attitude on the day, you represented the school with great pride.

The teams consisted of the following students:

Girls' Team – **Alexies Adao, Amanda Azzopardi, Samantha Benbow, Elise Buss, Roxanne Byrne, Angelica Canda, Christina Kiteau, Alexandra Lee, Anamaria Piliae, Emma Read.**

Boys' Team – **Enrico Crisostomo, Lindsay Elliott, Yorgo Gerges, Ken Kalepo, Mitchell Newton, Rene Quijon, Michael Taateo, Trent Winterstein, Jordan Yap, Hrvoje Jakovljevic.**

Mrs Holland – Coach

PDSSSC CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 6th April 2011, five students represented the school in the PDSSSC Cross Country carnival held at St. Columba's High School, Springwood. The students who attended displayed great commitment to their races as well as displaying school spirit and cheering on other runners from other schools. Unfortunately no students made it through to the NSWCCC competition this year; however, they enjoyed the sun, the lollies and the company on the day.



The students who attended the event were **Nicholas Ward, Naomi Schache, Feliza Sta Maria, Emily Newman and Nicholas Toohill,**

Mrs Holland - PDHPE Staff



Emily Newman during her 6km run

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to the following students who have represented the PDSSSC in the following sports events:

Sara Barandregt – represented the PDSSSC at the NSWCCC swimming carnival and has also moved on to the NSWCCC All Schools competition where she received a bronze medal for the girls' relay. Congratulations Sarah.

Ken Kalepo – has made the PDSSSC touch football team to play in the NSWCCC gala day in June

Peatalita Lamositele, Lei Ah Wong, Susan Pale and Terina Vailfale – represented the PDSSSC volleyball team at the NSWCCC competition held at Campbelltown Stadium.

SRC Report

65 Roses Day

On Friday, May 27th, the Year 12 students at Loyola will be fundraising for Cystic Fibrosis on *65 Roses Day*. Cystic Fibrosis is a genetic condition and it is the most common, life threatening condition for young Australians. Symptoms of CF include poor weight gain, chest infections, and it affects a number of organs in the body such as the lungs and pancreas as they are clogged up by mucus. There is also no cure for this condition. Loyola has decided to fundraise to assist in finding a cure for this condition and so the year 12 students will have a mufti day on Friday where they must wear something red, as the colour red symbolises the roses from Cystic Fibrosis Australia. All money from the mufti day will be donated to Cystic Fibrosis Australia.

Sport Update

On June 15th, Loyola will be holding their annual State of Origin night. This is a great night where we will be showing the second game of the NRL State of Origin series. We will be hosting a BBQ and showing the game on the big screen in the Lecture Theatre, blankets and beanbags would be a good idea for the night. The occasion is always

an enjoyable event for students to get together and have a good night, whether NSW or QLD supporters. The cost of entry is \$3. Sausage sandwiches and drinks will be available for purchase from 6:30pm. This fundraiser will go towards the Jesuit Cup Sporting Teams for their interstate trips in the coming months.

East Timor

Two students in our community, Rebecca Gibbons and Nicholas Ward have been fortunate enough to be invited to an 'Immersion' In East Timor for a total of 12 Days, beginning on the 25th of June. The purpose of the trip is to gain a deeper understanding of another culture, broadening our world-view and to further our education in Ignatian Spirituality as men and women for others. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity and both students are grateful for the chance. We would like to take this occasion to thank Saint Ignatius' College, Riverview. We will be fundraising in the coming weeks as well as gathering items to take to the less fortunate in partner primary and high schools over there. An update will follow prior and also a recount afterwards of the Immersion.

We will be working with schools and communities in some of the poorest areas of East Timor. They lack the most basic resources and have asked us to donate items such as USB memory sticks, novels and picture books in English, musical instruments and sports equipment. If you have any of these items that you no longer need or would like to donate, please bring them to school and leave them with Mr Pope. Rebecca and Nick will distribute them to schools and communities that need them during their travels.

Disco

The SRC and Dei Gratia are organising a Loyola Disco on Friday, June 10. The disco is for Loyola students only. A professional DJ and security guards have been booked. Tickets cost \$7 and can be purchased from any of the SRC members at Recess and Lunch time.

Tickets will NOT be available at the door, so students intending to come to the disco must buy their tickets before the night. Any money raised will be divided between the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal and subsidising the cost of the Year 12 Graduation Ball.

Anthony Pope – SRC Convenor

Creative Arts Night 2011

Human beings were artists before they were citizens. We know this now. Cave paintings, objects d'art found in paleolithic sites, a primeval flute discovered in an archaeological dig in Europe – all the evidence suggests that, from our earliest Edens, we were interpreters of our world rather than just unthinking experiences of it. Indeed, to pursue the biblical reference for a moment, even

the naming of the animals was an act of creation in itself. Artists place names, or draw, or sculpt images which fuse to make a collective mirror of ourselves, to help us understand. Oscar Hammerstein II said that if we truly understand another person, it becomes harder to wage war against them. Art can have a mollifying effect, and an ameliorating one, if it be honest, if it be compassionate.

Creative Arts Night at Loyola Senior High School allows students in the creative and technical arts departments to express their understanding of the world as it appears to them in their final teenage years.

In 2011, the night will be a more fluent experience than in previous years, with attendees able to wander freely between exhibitions of visual arts and design subjects, stopping now and then in different venues for performances by students of music, drama and dance, and for readings by students of Extension English.

We look forward to having your company there, as we celebrate once more the arts: the thumbprint, as it was, of the human mind.

23 June 2011 at 7pm

Commencing in the Undercroft outside the Performing Arts Centre

Peter Fleming – Creative Arts

NSW FIRE BRIGADES WORK EXPERIENCE

During March a number of Loyola students took part in work experience at the NSW Fire Brigades Training Centre in Alexandria. Here's what two of them had to say about it.

When asked what was best for them about the four days they spent at the centre, **Aris Villanueva** replies: "I met good mates" and for **Emilio Yousif** it was the "new experiences".

These new experiences included the Search and rescue in the dark, in which students had to walk into a dark room with helmet and block-out goggles with a partner. In this room there were obstacles that the students had to climb over or crawl under in order to 'save' a life-sized mannequin. The other memorable exercise was the Tower Challenge in which they had to connect lengths of hose in order to reach the top of a two-storey building from the hydrant. They then had to run up the building and work the hose to 'put out the fire'.

The students also learnt how to manoeuvre in confined spaces, the objective being moving around rooms in ways to avoid possible dangers, such as extremely hot surfaces. They were also given sessions on fire safety in daily life as part of the educational and very interactive time.

“We really enjoyed it because it gave us a good insight into being a fire fighter and the required discipline. Although it’s hard to get into Fire Brigades, we were told we would have a better chance if we joined the Rural Fire Service as volunteers and get experience which links up with NSW Fire Brigades. We also need to have the Green Provisional Driving License. Anyone who is interested in becoming a firey should do this work experience”

Aris has now joined the Rural Fire Service (RFS) and is on his way to doing the practical and theoretical training to serve the community through his volunteering with the RFS. With the initiative he shows, we are sure he will achieve his aim of one day being a proud member of the NSW Fire Brigade. Although Emilio does not want to become a fire fighter, he knows he has learnt some valuable skills and information which he can put into practice if there was ever the need.

Maria Arranz – Careers Advisor

Mt Druitt Ethnic Community Agency

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If you work in retail or related industry and are a member of the Shop, Distributive and Allied Employees’ Association (SDA) You may be able to get a **free BOOK VOUCHER for yourself or for a dependent child if you, or they, are currently studying at TAFE or university.**
Book vouchers for a high school are worth \$80 and for Uni or TAFE students \$100

900 vouchers are made available in the first half of the year and another 900 in the second half of the year. Vouchers are awarded through a draw. Voucher application forms are available through the school library or you can find an application form in your copy of the **SDA News** (a quarterly magazine all SDA Union members get).
Applications close on 3 June

IMPORTANT DATES

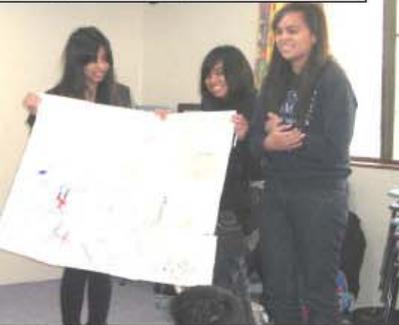
Mon 9 May – Fri 27 May	TTC Work Placement
Mon 16 May – Fri 27 May	Yr 11 Half Yearly Examinations
Mon 16 May	Yr 12 Retreat
Mon 23 May – Fri 27 May	Yr 12, 4 Unit Business Services Work Placement
Tue June 7	Subject Expo and Information Night for Year 11, 2012 students
Mon 13 June	Queen’s Birthday holiday



Year 12 Retreat



The first activities of the day were centred around finding out who we are and how best we work in our world. This involved looking at our temperaments and then creating in groups images of our perfect world.



Of course, the food breaks were popular and did not disappoint.



An important part of the day was learning to support and trust each other.



In life we all have our own opinions but in order to grow we need to listen to others and respect their opinions.



At the end of the day, in our liturgy, we took time to celebrate and reflect on the relationships we have with each other, our families and with God.



One of the tasks at the end of the day is to write a letter to ourselves in which we set out our goals and hopes for the future. Let's hope we will achieve them all!



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