

# College Newsletter

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Today's boys...tomorrow's gentlemen



Front page: CBC Music camp students with  
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# From the Principal

## A Place for NAPLAN

At about this time last year I wrote an article in the newsletter about the National Programme in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing and its place in our school. As many of you will know, NAPLAN tests are conducted annually in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 across the nation. At the time, I suspected that my views were contrary to those held at some other schools and in our wider community.

This has been confirmed by the number of articles in the press in recent weeks which have contended that such testing has been the focus of teaching programmes in some schools and

represents a potential millstone for those which perform poorly. The lowlight of such discussions came earlier this week when a parliamentary report went as far as to suggest that teachers were ill-trained and therefore unable to correctly interpret NAPLAN results and consequently address deficiencies. Just for the benefit of our learned parliamentarians, teachers have been trained and skilled in interpreting evaluative data and diagnosing issues with literacy and numeracy since a long time before the advent of NAPLAN.

The reality at CBC Fremantle is that we broadly support these tests which provide schools, systems and

governments with one data source among many upon which to determine future policy and direction. We also recognise that these tests provide a very narrow snapshot of student capabilities and that drawing meaningful conclusions from them is problematic. Perhaps more importantly, we are not afraid of what might be revealed about our school in the process of standardised testing. While our results have always been good and have served to affirm our practice in the past, if a deficiency was indicated in any year, it is far better to acknowledge and address this than continue in ignorance.

Beyond this, I believe that there is another real danger in this public debate and this entails giving NAPLAN a status which it neither deserves nor seeks. At the time of enrolling into our College, NAPLAN results from primary school are used to assist with appropriate placement and intervention for each individual boy. They are never used to prioritise applicants for entry. Similarly, I seriously doubt that prospective families place much emphasis upon our historical NAPLAN results when selecting a school for their son. I would hope, and firmly believe, that a much

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higher priority would be placed upon an education in faith, explicit values, the quality of relationships and general pursuit of excellence among many other things.

The summary I provided at the end of my article last year seems equally valid 12 months further on. We will happily participate in NAPLAN testing; we will not consume valuable time and unduly stress students by ‘teaching to the test’; and we will continue to adopt a broad perspective which emphasises a well-rounded education designed to assist families in the development of good young men.

### **CBC Family Mass**

As mentioned in recent newsletters, our first Family Mass for the year will be held

at St Patrick’s Basilica tomorrow, 25 May at 6.00pm. All members of your family are warmly invited to join with other parents, staff and students from the school in celebrating this occasion. All generations of your family are welcome!

### **Upper School Exams**

Our Year 11 and 12 boys commence their exams next week. As a community we wish them well at this important time and trust that their level of achievement will be a true reflection of the effort that they have expended.

Mr Shaun Kenny  
Principal



# Upper School Examinations

Year 11 and 12 exams commence Monday 27 May and run for two weeks.

During this time boys need only attend the exam venue when they have an exam. If students wish to see their teachers, please contact teachers prior to this to ensure they are available. Boys coming in to see a teacher or for private study must wear the College uniform

While examinations can be daunting, they present us all with an opportunity to show what we know and get feedback on what we need to know. CBC Fremantle runs its exams in the same manner as the Schools Curriculum and Standards Authority.

## Some Things to Remember

- Know your examination timetable; place exam times on your Study Planner
- So that you can study prior to exams, homework often decreases. Plan how you will use this available time to study for all exams. Again, use your study planner.
- When studying, take notes, use a highlighter or Post-its. Don't study on your bed or in front of the television. In order to achieve your best, you need to study at your best.
- Have everything you need for an exam ready 24 hours in advance. This way you have an opportunity to get or purchase anything you may need.
- Arrive at the exam venue in good time. Factor in traffic delays and the unexpected.
- Be in full College uniform.
- Know the exam rules – silence on entering the room, stationery in a clear container or plastic bag, use only a clear water bottle, no food.
- Once in the exam room, having followed directions, pick a desk where you will feel most comfortable.
- Use the reading time at the start of the exam properly. Read each question carefully and calmly. Plan how you may approach an essay. If you have choice, think of the positives and negatives in attempting each question.
- When working, use all the available time. You should never stop looking for extra marks. Check your answers or add to some written sections. No-one should close their paper until the supervisor says the time has finished.
- Above all, be prepared. A well- prepared student soon calms down in an exam and performs well. Exam nerves affect students for the first five minutes only. Poor preparation affects students for three hours or however long the exam takes. You should have no excuses.

We wish all students the best of success over the examination period.

Mrs Jennifer Lawlor  
Deputy Principal



# College Information

## Upper School Exams

The upper school exam timetable is available on the [Parent Notices](#) section of the College website. You can access this page under the CBC Community link along the top.

## Woolworths Earn & Learn is back

This community program enables schools throughout Australia to earn educational resources simply through the school community shopping at Woolworths. From Monday 8 April, when staff and parents shop at Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn points from the checkout operator. There'll be one point for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Students and parents are encouraged to bring collected stickers to reception at the College.

## Canteen

The Canteen Roster is available to download on the [Parent Notices](#) section on the website.

# Calendar

## Week 4 Term 2

### Monday 27 May

Year 11 and 12 Exams commence

### Tuesday 28 May

College Assembly

### Thursday 30 May

Mass 8.15am

Rice 1,2,3,4

ACC Cross Country

### Friday 31 May

Yr 7 Perth Museum excursion

### Saturday 1 June

Birth of Edmund Rice (1762)



## CBC Family Mass

You and your family are invited to join us in a celebration of the warmth and friendship of the CBC community.

**Saturday 25 May at 6pm**

at St Patrick's Basilica, Fremantle

We look forward to seeing you there.



# VET student notice

## **Year 11 Materials Design and Technology: Metal or Wood**

CBC Fremantle has embedded Certificate II Engineering and Certificate II Furnishing into our WACE subjects, namely Materials Design and Technology: Metal or Wood. We feel it will provide students with an advantage and give them a competitive edge when seeking employment.

The staff of CBC Fremantle have invested a great deal of time developing these courses to ensure students are successful in achieving their Certificates. To do this, all the students presently in

Year 11 who are doing the above certificates are required to attend South Fremantle Trade College from Tuesday 4 June to Friday 7 June to complete selected units of competencies. They will be taught and supervised by qualified College Staff. Failure to attend will greatly impact on the ability to achieve the Certificate.

If there are any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Coggin at the College or email [coggin.stephen@cathednet.wa.edu.au](mailto:coggin.stephen@cathednet.wa.edu.au).

## **Year 11 /12 Physical Education and Outdoor Education**

CBC Fremantle has also embedded Certificate II Sport and Recreation and Certificate II Outdoor Recreation into our WACE subjects, namely Physical Educational Studies and Outdoor Education. Year 11 and 12 boys who are doing these two subjects are required to attend on Thursday 30 May and Friday 31 May to complete selected units of competencies for a Senior First Aid Certificate. If there are any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Preston at the College or email [preston.zachary@cathednet.wa.edu.au](mailto:preston.zachary@cathednet.wa.edu.au).

Mr Garry Hart  
Head of VET

# Sport Fixtures

## Term 2 Week 4

Team	Match/Training Details	Day / Time	Venue
Cross Country	ACC Carnival	Thursday	McGillivray Oval
Football	1st Junior v Gilmore	Monday 4.00pm	Fremantle Park
	2nd Junior v Dale CC	Monday 4.00pm	Fremantle Park
	1st XVIII v Comet Bay	Wednesday 4.00pm	Fremantle Park
	2nd XVIII v Corpus Christi	Wednesday 4.00pm	Corpus Christi
Rugby	1st XV v Kolbe	Tuesday 4.00pm	Kolbe
	9 v Thornlie	Wednesday 4.00pm	Thornlie
Junior Soccer	v Canning Vale	Thursday 4.00pm	Canning Vale
Weights Room	Fitness training	Wed to Fri 3.20 - 4.20pm	CBC Gym



# Rowing News

Hard training has paid off for CBC boys participating at the Bunbury Regatta last weekend, with wins in virtually all events contested.

The first race contested saw James McVey, Scott Russell, Jamie Nella and Aaron Senzio win the Mens D grade coxed quad a convincing nine seconds ahead of the second placed crew.

This was followed up by Solomon Holliday, Willis Armstrong and Alessandro Lo Presti in the Senior C grade with a second place.

Aaron, Scott, James and Jaedyn Stumbles went on to a clear win in the E grade quads event against the more mature university and club crews.

Solomon Holliday triumphed in the Mens D grade single scull event with a massive win by 17 seconds.

The Mens D eight crew stroked (lead oarsman) by Solomon with Willis Armstrong, Scott Russell, James McVey Jaedyn Stumbles, Alessandro Lo Presti and two boys from other schools went on win this event, fending off a strong challenge by the Curtin Uni and UWA crews. A win by 0.5 of a second!

It's a credit to the boys that they competed against more mature, bigger and heavier crews and beat them.

Mr Damien Flynn  
Rowing Coach

## Year 9 Rowers Notice

Please note the final Learn to Row session is Monday 27 May. After the row, parents will be briefed at the Club at 4:45pm.

This will only take a few minutes. The club is at 75 Riverside Drive, East Fremantle, adjoining the Norm McKenzie Reserve on the down river side. All parents of boys who participated are very welcome to find out how rowing can challenge and benefit their sons.

Any queries by parents about rowing, please contact Damien Flynn at [flynns@iinet.net.au](mailto:flynns@iinet.net.au), or phone 6262 1074 or 0435 549 966.



# jazz at the club

Sunday 30 June

from 4pm to 7pm

South Fremantle Football Club  
Fremantle Oval  
Parry St, Fremantle

Tickets \$10 Adults, \$5 school age children  
Family rate \$30 (2 adults + up to 4 children)  
Drinks available from bar, BYO nibbles

Tickets available at the door



## Jazz at the Club

The CBC Music department and Music Parents group invites you to join them in a relaxed social afternoon listening to Jazz music performed by the CBC Jazz Orchestra, the CBC Big Band and various other ensembles.

The venue is the South Fremantle Football Club. There will be drinks available from the bar and you are welcome to bring your own nibbles. There will be raffles and a door prize. All funds raised are used to support the music programme at CBC.

The CBC Jazz Orchestra is also performing at Clancy's Fish Pub Fremantle on Saturday 8 June from 2:30pm to 4:30pm.

## Donations Required

The Music Parents support group would be interested to hear from any families or businesses who are willing to donate prizes for our raffles.

Please call Charlie Fowler on 93176041 to arrange collection of any donations or if convenient, please leave them at CBC Reception for the attention of the Music department.



# Notes on Music at CBC

## Music Camp

Last Friday, the CBC bands and ensembles packed up and headed to Woodmans Point Recreation camp for three days of rehearsals, culminating in a performance for the boys' families.

All of the students involved worked hard to develop their skills and focus on playing as a group, learning to balance their sound and also develop many friendships.

It was wonderful to have Class of 2009 student, Jake Lipman come and talk about his new interest as a DJ and how studying music has helped him to develop his skills on the turntables.



To read more and for more photos visit the Newsroom at [www.cbcfremantle.wa.edu.au](http://www.cbcfremantle.wa.edu.au)

# Community Notices

It is the policy of CBC Fremantle to distribute information when requested regarding community activities and details about educational programmes. This does not imply that CBC endorses these activities or the information. Please provide information in an unformatted Word document to [enquiries@CBCFremantle.wa.edu.au](mailto:enquiries@CBCFremantle.wa.edu.au). Submissions will be accepted at the discretion of CBC Fremantle.

## Edmund Rice Reconciliation Lecture

**George Walley shares his story – Sense of Identity, Sense of Place and Sense of Ownership**

Tuesday 28 May at 7.30pm at CBC Fremantle, 51 Ellen Street, Fremantle

George is a Bindjareb man. He has been a teacher and is a well respected singer and songwriter; a gift that has put him in touch with a wide range of people in the music industry. George has been the musical director of Madjtil Moorna, a community based choir that sings songs from all parts of Indigenous Australia. He is also a friend of the Edmund Rice Network and has been involved in the Edmund Rice Network Harmony Weekends. Currently George is the Aboriginal Health Programs Manager of Nidjalla Waangan Mia Health and Wellbeing Centre in Mandurah.

\$5 donation at the door – places are limited.

RSVP 20 May 2013. Contact Donella Brown Mobile: 0488 699 198 Email: [dmbrown@edmundrice.org](mailto:dmbrown@edmundrice.org)

Karen Armenti: 9365 2859, [KAArmenti@edmundrice.org](mailto:KAArmenti@edmundrice.org)



## Tennis Coaching

Hotshots Junior Coaching Programme commences with Fremantle Topspin Tennis Saturday 18 May at Fremantle Lawn Tennis Club. Classes available Monday to Saturday – enquiries 0401 565 051.

## Help the Homeless Art Auction

4.30pm, Saturday 8 June. Registration from 3.30pm. Includes performance by The Starlight Hotel Choir 5pm.  
Auction 5.30pm. Refreshments provided.

New venue: Fremantle Town Hall

Parking: Henderson Street Car Park

Open for viewing 3 - 5pm Friday 7 June, 12 noon - 5pm Saturday 8 June

Telephone bids available

Mastercard, Visa, eftpos

No cheques, cash or Amex

Award-winning artists supporting:

**Freo Street Doctor** mobile health clinic serves the physical and mental needs of homeless, at-risk, marginalised people with low or no income, transients, substance abuse and those with diagnosed and undiagnosed mental illness.

**The Sisters' Place** is a project of St Patrick's Community Support Centre, supported by five congregations of religious women and staffed by Sisters and other volunteers drawn from the community. It provides a safe bed at night to homeless women who sleep in the parks and streets of Fremantle.

**The Fremantle Multicultural Centre** crisis and short term accommodation programme assists migrants and refugees who are homeless or about to become homeless.

Opening night RSVP telephone 9440 0669/9384 8492 or email [roseanne.thomas@dorsogna.com.au](mailto:roseanne.thomas@dorsogna.com.au).



### **St Mary's High Tea Fundraiser**

Sunday 16 June at St Mary's Cathedral Parish Centre, from 12.00 noon to 2.30pm

Cost \$50 per person (80 limited seats on offer)

Come and be the foundation of our first social fundraiser event. Experience fine high tea with your partners, family and friends. There will be silent auctions, raffles and door prizes. Proceeds go towards educational materials for orphanages in Brazil.

Tickets are available at the Piety Stall or the Cathedral Cafe. RSVP and payment must be in before 2 June. For more information contact Tammy at [smcpps@yahoo.com.au](mailto:smcpps@yahoo.com.au).

### **Rockingham Rams Football Club**

Rockingham Rams (featuring Brendan Fevola) versus Waroona

Sunday 26 May 2013, gates Open 10am, bounce down at 2.30pm

Tickets are \$8.00. Tickets can be pre-purchased at [www.rockinghamrams.com.au](http://www.rockinghamrams.com.au) or at the gate on game day.