Reflection... It is in the spirit of strong relationships, satisfaction on work well done, great hope, and thanks, that we send our Year 12 students off to life after secondary school. For them we pray:

We offer to you, Loving God, the gifts and needs of youth. Bless them with your guiding grace as they face the challenges and opportunities in their lives.

Touch their hearts with the gentleness of your love, that they may know they are valued and valuable beings.

Send your spirit of hope to their lives, that they may believe in themselves and know they are needed in this world.

Grace them with the gift of joy that they may celebrate life through laughter and tears alike.

Guide us, as we continue to grow in appreciation of the many gifts of young people, in their ministry opportunities we offer them, in their journey of faith we walk with them, in our shared mission as a community called to discipleship in the world.

Live Jesus in our hearts...
from the assistant principal

As this term progresses... it is important students maintain the momentum with which they started this term. They are currently deeply involved in their Year 12 studies and are now preparing for their first assessment tasks that contribute directly to their HSC. To achieve a personal best requires diligence and consistency in all their studies right up until the end of term. To support your son’s and daughters in their endeavours staff are mentoring a group of six or seven students each who they will interview over the next couple of weeks and will continue touching base with them next year. This is just another point of contact to ensure we continue to build positive relationships that students can rely on to support them through their HSC year.

Homework Club...Homework Club was started at the College a number of years ago as a way to ensure students who do not do homework have the opportunity to finish the work on the day the work was meant to be completed. Students are required to stay at school from 3-3.30pm. If a student has an appointment or work on the day a homework club detention is issued, the student must report to their Year Coordinator or Mrs Morrison to organise a transfer to the next morning at 8.00am or the next afternoon. The student must produce a note or medical certificate when presenting for homework club the next morning or afternoon stating the reason for absence the previous afternoon.

We would appreciate families supporting their students to complete all school in a timely fashion or if needed attend homework club.

Road Safety...Over the past few weeks the College has received two phone calls from concerned members of the public relating to our students conduct travelling to and from school. Students were spoken to at assembly this week about the importance of obeying road rules both as a driver and a pedestrian particularly in the light of the information they received from the presenters of ‘U Turn the Wheel’ run in week 2 of this Term. Could you please discuss with your son/daughter the importance of observing these rules and being careful with carrying extra passengers so that a major injury does not occur to one of our students.

Mrs Morrison
Assistant Principal

Design & Technology HSC Projects... Congratulations to Harleigh English, Sarah Webster, Paul Fenech and Carla Williamson, who have been nominated for possible inclusion in DesignTECH – an exhibition that showcases outstanding design projects at the Powerhouse Museum each year.

- Harleigh English’s project “An Urban Odessy”, is a collection of photographic images using levitation to demonstrate how society loses interest in local historic sites.
- Sarah Webster’s project was inspired by Christian Dior, and was made entirely from recycled shopping bags in order to create awareness of our impact on the environment.
- Paul Fenech saw a need to create an innovative stand for laptop computers. The current design solutions were ineffective and seeing a growing market in this area, he designed a prototype to meet this need.
- Carla Williamson designed a gown to create awareness of the “throw away” society that we live in. She was inspired by an African traditional technique of beading using magazines, and combined this with latex gloves to produce an aesthetic textile garment.

All of these projects were highly creative and innovative. We would like to congratulate our students on a successful outcome.

Mrs Kennedy/Mrs Hook
Design and Technology Teachers

Harleigh English’s project “An Urban Odessy”

from the tas department

From the canteen ... I would like to thank the Yr 12 & Yr11 Mums for their generous assistance in the Canteen this year. Without your help, the Canteen would not be able to operate. The students and staff really appreciate your help.

Any Yr 11 Mums who would like to help next year just ring me on 0414 782 769 or on the School Canteen phone 9527 4814. Thank You

Ann Rourke
Canteen Supervisor

Carla Williamson
As assessment task notifications for most courses have already been distributed to students, it is important that all students are aware of the date, time and nature of each assessment task. Please note that all assessment dates are posted on the college calendar, and assessment schedules can be viewed on the College website. Students should be taking the time to prepare for these assessments well in advance and any issues or concerns should be addressed with their teachers immediately. Students should also be familiar with the College Assessment Policy in relation to applying for an extension, late submission, or absence from an assessment task due to illness or misadventure, as well as electronic equipment failure, or malpractice (refer to page 108-109 of College diary).

A reminder that family holidays or social occasions cannot take place during periods marked for formal assessment. Such absences will ensure that the offending student receives a zero mark in line with the NSW Board of Studies requirements.

Mr Ginestra
Curriculum Coordinator

from the pdhpe department

Courageous Cronulla De La Salle bowled out of Downie Shield by Determined St. Augustine’s Attack.

Downie Shield Cricket
By David McCarthy
Monday 29th October

In a great day of cricket St Augustine’s just had the edge, narrowly defeating a valiant De La Salle Cronulla team. The First XI from De La Salle College Cronulla were spirited and competitive but narrowly lost to Saint Augustine’s College in the first round of the Downie Shield on Monday.

St Augustine’s opened and Ross Hickman led the bowling attack with some tantalising off spin picking up 4 for 13 off five overs, cutting short a number of promising innings for the boys from the Northern Beaches.

In reply to St Augustine’s solid 213, De La Salle’s Andrew Denoon had a sensational innings, hitting seven boundaries and scoring an unmatched 54 runs.

However it was not enough to save De La Salle from a tail-end collapse, as the Saint Augustines’s College bowling proved too much.

The Cronulla side’s captain, Patrick Driscoll, who took two wickets said: “The boys from both sides played in good spirit showing great sportsmanship and determination.”

The final result was Saint Augustines’s: 213 beat De La Salle College Cronulla: 190.

Picture L-R Andrew Denoon, Ross Hickman and Patrick Driscoll (C)

Today John O’Neill and Tony Bishop spoke to the students about the work of St Vincent De Paul and helped launch the Christmas Appeal. De La Salle Cronulla has a strong connection with Vinnies and we have always contributed to the hampers that are given to people in need. This year we have been asked to donate money to purchase cinema and K-Mart vouchers that will be part of the hampers.

Our guests explained the difficulties people face in our local area. They said they will be making up 52 hampers and of these there are 28 families and between them there are 53 children. They reinforced the message that as Catholics, our Christian response is to help one another.

In response, Pastoral Groups will be taking on a fund raising initiative in Week 7 and 8. Please support your son/daughter in this venture and encourage them to give generously.

Mrs Maree Cullen
RE Coordinator

Hospitality – Food Technology
This is a reminder to all students and parents that the use of the commercial kitchen is for class work only. This kitchen will not be available for use for other purposes including storing food or preparing snacks and meals for personal consumption. If a student has dietary demands that require special preparation, could a note please be provided to the front office and arrangements will be made to assist with this.

Thank you for your cooperation

Mr R Matthews
TAS VET Coordinator