Reflection:

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace, be warmed and filled’, without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. James 2:14-17

Founder’s Day... on 10 June 2016 we celebrate Founder’s Day. It is an opportunity for our students to put faith into action by contributing to the community in which they are living. In this Year of Mercy Pope Francis has called on us to be “People of Mercy” and this day is an opportunity for our students to give of their time to serve others. Mother Teresa once said ‘not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love’, and it is hoped this will epitomise the day as our students run a children’s picnic, donate blood, complete landscaping activities, perform community clean up, complete nursing home visits and make soup for the poor. These are just a few of the activities to take place on this day.

Attendance on this day is compulsory and will commence with a Mass in our College hall to give thanks for the life and works of our founder St John Baptist De La Salle and the men and women who have continued to carry on his work, especially the De La Salle Brothers.

Parent Forum... many thanks to the parents who attended the Parent Forum last Monday night. Their insights, commendations and constructive feedback about the College and suggestions for future directions will contribute significantly to the Cyclic Review process in Term 3.

Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians... last week three of our College Leaders attended a Mass at St Mary’s Cathedral, to celebrate the feast of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patron Saint of Australia. Bishop Terry Brady celebrated the Mass that had representatives from all secondary schools in the Sydney Archdiocese. Bishop Terry in his homily explained that Mary was decreed in 1844 as Patron of Australia and we are the only country he is aware of that has Mary as its patron.

Craig Mooney
Principal
Next week we celebrate... the life of our Founder, St John Baptist De La Salle. **Founder’s Day** at the College is a very special day where we remember what St John Baptist de La Salle was all about. It is a day for giving, in honour of our founder who gave his life to help educate children who were marginalised.

It is a day where we show our appreciation of the De La Salle Brothers, here and worldwide, who continues to give their lives to education and work for the marginalised. In this year of mercy we take up the call of Pope Francis and demonstrate ways we believe in love, mercy, compassion. We can continue in the tradition of De La Salle to give to those in need, in the spirit of love. Our Year 11 students will be working in the community demonstrating this community spirit, while the Year 12’s will take part in a community walk where they will clean up the environment.

**Year 11 Retreat**... preparation is well underway and I appreciate the return of most permission notes by the requested date. I do urge those students who have not completed this to do so quickly as I will begin meeting with these students after school on Friday making arrangements for the return of these notes. This event is a vital part of the College program, providing time for the Year 11 students to focus on their spirituality and fast approaching role as seniors within the College.

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Michelle Morrison
**Assistant Principal**

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As the weather has turned particularly colder this week... a reminder that no other jumper is to be worn to school except the College jumper under the blazer. I ask parents to ensure their sons and/or daughters are correctly attired for school.

On Thursday, 16 June 2016 in week 8 students will be having the College photos taken. A letter and form to purchase the photos will be coming home in week 7. The forms must be filled in with correct money (or be paid online beforehand) and returned on the day to the photographers. All students will have their photo taken for use with examinations even if they are not purchasing them. We will also be offering a Year group photo through a separate envelope for purchase by interested students and their families.

We look forward this week to our Founder’s Day in week 7, which will begin with the whole College celebrating Mass in Carmody Hall (in full school winter uniform) with Fr Tom Carroll and our Lasallian Brothers. Year 11 students will then disperse to a variety of community service activities for the day, with Year 12 students and their homeroom teachers participating in a walkathon or run around Cronulla. Students will be given more information about this special day in our College calendar over the next couple weeks.

This has been a very busy term! Year 12 received feedback from their Half Yearly exams and worked with their teachers to individualise their study. This allows them to specifically focus on the process of building their skills and knowledge as they continue with their courses of study. Year 11 have completed their first block of formal exams and will soon be receiving feedback from their teachers on their progress. This will be supported with more specific advice during Student/Parent/Teacher interviews in the last week of the term on Tuesday, 28 June 2016. More information about booking these interviews online will be published shortly.

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Mr Peter Geaney
**Year 11 Coordinator**

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With the examination block now complete... our Year 11 students (and parents), will be keen for feedback. Staff now have the arduous task of marking a mountain of papers. For those students who prepared well, you should feel confident with anticipation. I was impressed with their punctuality, co-operation and the way they wore their uniforms. This same format will be used for each exam they sit including the HSC next year.

Founder’s Day is a highlight on the College calendar and is fast approaching. On Friday, 10 June 2016 we celebrate Mass in the College Hall. Full school uniform must be worn. After Mass, all students will participate in a day of service. This is a day when we especially think of others. Some activities include the Blood Bank at Miranda, visiting the special children in Kareela and restoring the sand dunes at Wanda Beach. There are a number of other activities as well. Once the activities are finalised, you will be informed about the service your son/daughter will be doing.

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Maree Cullen
**RE Coordinator**
Year 11... students have just completed their Half Yearly Examinations as part of their internal formal assessment program. May I take this opportunity to congratulate them on their preparation, attendance and commitment to their studies. As students return to normal classes it is extremely important for them to be present as they will be provided with constructive feedback from their examinations as an essential part of their effective learning. This feedback aims to help students understand the course being studied and it provides them with clear guidance on how to improve their learning. Year 11 students have also recently checked and signed off on their BOSTES Confirmation of Entry Forms. These forms are issued by BOSTES and indicate student details and their pattern of study for the Preliminary HSC.

Year 12... Half Yearly reports were issued to students on Tuesday, 31 May 2016. Students should adopt the constructive feedback that is provided in the reports in order to improve their learning in the lead up to the Trial HSC examinations.

It is expected that all students maintain the strong work ethic that was evident in the lead up to their examinations for the remainder of this term. A number of courses will have assessment tasks due in the upcoming weeks so students need to be well organised and prepared for these in the lead up to the Trial HSC Examinations.

2016 HSC timetables... students can now access their personal 2016 HSC timetables in Students Online by logging in to their personal account via My Details.

Students are to check their timetables for accuracy. If a student expects to sit a VET exam, it should be listed in their personal timetable, even if they are taking the VET course at TAFE.

Students should also check that all their personal details are correct, including their email address and mobile number. It is best for students to use their personal email address so BOSTES can contact them after they have left school.

Students have recently been sent an email with this information. If a student did not receive the email, their contact details in Students Online may not be correct and should be updated as soon as possible.

The full HSC timetable is available on the BOSTES website. Students who require any amendments to the information on the website regarding their current pattern of study must see Mr Ginestra as soon as possible.

Congratulations.... Jaden Casella who was selected in the SSSCC soccer team. Gabriella Spajic who was selected in the NSW Schools Swimming Team to compete in Darwin in September 2016.

Congratulations to Kyle Flanagan and Jaeman Salmon who were selected in the NSWCCC Rugby League team who will compete in the July holidays.

Sarah Fox
Sports News
**Transition news**

At a recent industry network meeting at Southern Cross Vocational College, De La Salle Catholic College, Cronulla was recognised and praised for its commitment to the School-Based Apprenticeship and Traineeship (SBAT) program. At this College, we have over 10% of SBATs that are signed in Sydney Catholic Schools. These students are able to combine their HSC studies with part time work, and TAFE training to begin their careers in a variety of trades.

This term, the following students have signed as School-Based Apprentices or Trainees:

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These businesses are able to take on school students and train them towards a trade over their two years of schooling.

Another business which I would like to recognise is Tranquillity Landscapes. Tranquillity Landscapes has provided a workplace for Billy McLennan over the past two weeks, as he trials work in this Industry. Likewise, a thank you to Steve Grech Building, Jeff Streater Plumbing and Coady Building who are providing work experience opportunities for our students at our feeder schools.

Yvette Kennedy  
Transition Coordinator

**Touching Hearts**

**World Youth Day News**

It has been a fantastic lead up to World Youth Day for our Pilgrims travelling to Poland. So far our pilgrims have attended two faith formation sessions run by the NET team, a group of spiritual and energetic young adults. They also attended an Archdiocesan World Youth Day gathering at Holy Cross Ryde. This was an important event that saw our students gather with every other pilgrim also making the journey. Time was spent in Catechesis, which will be a significant feature of WYD. It is an opportunity where students discuss issues that are relevant to them. The students were entertained by US singer, Steve Aglariso and everyone came together to celebrate Mass. The pilgrims were able to meet their bus group leaders and fellow pilgrims. It was great to see all of our students getting into the spirit of the day.

Upcoming dates:
- 15 June - Pilgrim Bus Group Gathering De La Salle Caringbah commencing at 6pm
- 20 June - 3.30-6pm Final Faith Formation Session, De La Salle Cronulla
- 26 June - Mass for Bus 13 at St Aloysius, Cronulla
- 10 July - Commissioning Mass at St Mary’s Cathedral

A big thank you to all the WYD pilgrims and Lasallian Leaders for their contribution to our cake stall! It was a great success. It truly showed the generous nature of our student leaders and how supportive our school is in helping our World Youth Day Pilgrims get that one step closer to Poland. A big thank you to the parents and guardians who also donated their time and their cooking skills to this great cause.

Sarah Wadland – World Youth Day Gathering with Aquinas and St Pat’s Students
Lasallian and Mercy High Tea

I would love to encourage all students and their family members to support the Lasallian and Mercy High Tea on the 18 June 2016. Our school has always had a focus on social justice and helping those in need. The money raised from this event goes to a very worthwhile cause.

The Lasalle Girls High School Gokkuwal, will benefit from your generosity at the High Tea. It is located on the outskirts of Faisalabad city in Pakistan. In 1993, the De La Salle Brothers established a preparatory school for poor Christian children in Abdullapur shanty town. Gokkuwal is an old agricultural area that has been reclaimed for housing. Due to its location, the village has limited access to basic facilities and the nearest school is a bus ride away. The cost of a bus to school is more than what most parents can afford as most are reliant on daily wages and they earn very little.

The residents asked the Brothers to relocate the old Abdullapur School to Gokkuwal. So the preparatory school was re-established, initially running its classes in the open air as there was no funding for building. The De La Salle Brothers provided all school books for the students over the first year, until the Government resettled the families on new land. In 1996, the Brothers commenced reconstruction of the school at the new location and ran classes from Kindergarten through to Year 8. The school is now recognised as La Salle Girls High School by the Pakistani Education Department.

Please consider supporting such a worthy cause for our Lasallian brothers and sisters!

Rachel O’Connor
Youth Minister

De La Salle Catholic College Cronulla,
Our Lady of Mercy Catholic College
Burraneer,
and De La Salle Catholic College Caringbah

invite you to a

High Tea Fundraiser
For Mercy Works and the Lasallian Foundation

Saturday, 18th June, 2016
Arrival time 2:30pm, seated by 3pm
At De La Salle Cronulla Hall
2 Cross Road, Burraneer

$30.00 per person
Tickets: Diane White 9544 1966
Students interested in study at university in 2017 should note the following:

**UAC Applications** OPEN on Weds. 3/8/16 and will be due Fri. 30/9/16. Hard copies of the UAC Guide should arrive in school in mid-July to assist you in the process of working out your ‘preferences’ and in the Application process itself. In the mean time, you can visit the UAC website on [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au) for information updates.

The exception to this UAC process is the University of Notre Dame (UND), who choose to have a different Application process involving an Application Form & Interview. These Applications will also CLOSE on 30/9/16. However, the UND ‘**Young Achievers Early Offer Program for 2017**’ is NOW OPEN and will close on 29/7/16. Interested students should go to the website - [notredame.edu.au](http://notredame.edu.au) for information &/or an application form.

Others, like the Macquarie University ‘**Global Leaders Early Entry Program**’ are also now OPEN, go directly to the uni’s website - [mq.edu.au](http://mq.edu.au) for more information.

**UOW ‘Early Admission Program’** will open 1/8/16, go to - [uow.edu.au/early](http://uow.edu.au/early) for more information.

TAFE offer a **wide range of courses**, where you can enter to study at Certificate or Diploma level, and often have the option to study full or part time - all whilst gaining valuable workplace experience as part of the course. TAFE also offer a Degree Pathway in a number of subject areas. Course information can be found either online at [sydneytafe.edu.au](http://sydneytafe.edu.au) - or you can make an appointment to speak with a TAFE Course Counsellor at our local Gymea campus.

Up-to-date hard copy information is also available in the Library, on the Noticeboard and in Course Guides on the racks outside the Careers Room for you to look at. To assist with your own investigations, students are invited to arrange a suitable time to come and discuss possible Course/Career pathways with me in the Library.

Ms. Brown
Careers