

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Leading into the vacation, Year 12 students have sat their Mid-Course examinations

We are certain that they (and their teachers) are looking forward to the break. With just 2 terms remaining, the HSC target is well defined for them, as you might remember yourself.

Over 200 parents joined us this week on Wednesday evening, to hear the noted psychologist Colleen Hirst, on the topic 'Positive Parenting in an Age of Anxiety'. Well received, Colleen will make available several slides from her presentation and parents across the College will be able to download them early next term. We will also continue to offer our 'Well Being Matters' events during the year. Thanks to the organising team.

Have you purchased your tickets to the Musical yet? Selling fast, the 'Leader of the Pack' tickets will allow you to enjoy a fast paced program including lots of those well-known hits from the early Rock & Roll era. Over 100 students from Senior and Junior School will entertain you and the family as they bring their talents to the stage. Plenty of tickets are still available – just follow the links on the website.

The new Gymnasium and Oval complex, to be named the Rawdon Middleton VC Sports Complex, is nearing completion, and we expect to be able to use the Oval soon. Perhaps the Junior School Cross Country Carnival will be the launch event. What a way to test out the new surface! In naming the whole complex after Middleton, the namesake of our suburb and a distant relative of both the Hassall and Hume families, we honour his strength and courage and that of the thousands of servicemen and women who have served the country in wartime. With ANZAC DAY held this year during our vacation period, we are reminded of such great service at this time of the year. Our complex will allow students and community members the opportunity to reflect on

these great themes. Our first European History Tour takes place over the break, with the team visiting the French Battlefields along with the Ancient History sites of Italy. What a great opportunity for the students on this excursion.

Several Parent Teacher nights have been held over recent weeks. We trust you have had time to speak with teachers about your child's learning progress. We have also had a number of breakfast events to open up discussion over coffee about the College programs. Let's continue to bring these opportunities through the coming months.

Please enjoy the vacation time with family and take time to refresh for the next term. Thank you for your ongoing support of the College, our students and staff.

'I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ ... may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better' Ephesians 1:17

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