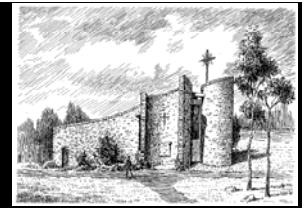




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From the Headmaster

This week has seen the gradual assumption of the leadership role by the Year 12 class of 2010.

Following my appointment of the College Captain and Vice Captains at the end of last term, the remaining members of the senior SRC have now been elected by their peers.

The senior student leadership team for 2010 will be:

College Captain:	Riste Tomeski
Vice Captains:	Simon Batley Martin Jankowski
SRC Members:	Ahmad Abbas Jack Bird Hayden David Oliver Farrugia Mark Fitzsimmons Nicholas Franklin Vito Giorgio Ben Meikle

I congratulate these young men on their appointment. The new SRC will have its first meeting today to begin to determine some objectives for their leadership year.

I was also impressed by the large number of students (38) who put their names forward for election to this leadership team. It is most encouraging to see so many expressing a willingness to take on this important positive role in their senior year and be of service to their peers, younger students and the College.

On Tuesday the members of the new SRC led a liturgy in the College Chapel to acknowledge the achievements of Year 11 and pray for the strength and guidance to become leaders of Edmund Rice College.

Riste Tomeski opened the liturgy with the following prayer:

*God of all the Universe,
You created us as individuals,
Each one different, each one gifted.
It is Your love that unites us
And has gathered us here together.
You gave us the gift of free will and conscience,
And called us to be Your witnesses here on earth.
Open our eyes to the gifts You have embodied in us,
So that we may express them, and in so doing,
Express the truest part of ourselves.*

Towards the end of the liturgy we acknowledged the students who achieved First Place in the HSC Preliminary Course. A list of those students appears elsewhere in this Newsletter.

The theme of this liturgy was a call to each of us to give life to the presence of the Spirit of God within us. In that context we concluded with the following prayer.

Last, but not least, we remember ourselves. As a community we are called upon to support each other through a challenging stage of our lives, and to be examples for those who will look up to us and follow our words and actions. Lord, we thank You for the gift of the Spirit to bring hope, friendship, guidance and strength to those who ask for help. May we use the gifts that come from the Spirit to increase these qualities in the lives of others.

DAVID LEAR

Founded 1926 – Proudly Catholic and Comprehensive – Boys Succeed at Edmund Rice College

Congratulations!

Year 11 – Preliminary Course – 1st Place in Subject Awards

Simon Batley	Music
Hayden David.....	Metal and Engineering
Paul Gallina.....	Industrial Technology
Vito Giorgio	Biology, Chemistry, Ancient History
Joshua Harrison	General Mathematics
Martin Jankowski.....	English Advanced, Information Processes & Technology, Business Studies, Studies of Religion
Andrew Kyriacou	Physics, PD Health PE
Druon McGovern.....	English Extension 1
Eamonn McNamara	Modern History, Drama
Dominic Nguyen.....	English Standard
Liam O’Dea	Mathematics Extension, Japanese
Zachary Rowlands	Visual Arts, Senior Science
Cody Shanahan	Hospitality
Arron Southern.....	Construction
Riste Tomeski	Mathematics, Economics, Legal Studies

(RYDA) Rotary Youth Driver Awareness – Last Friday Year 11 attended this day which provides first quality road safety information to youth to help ensure when they commence driving they have the best road safety education possible.



End of Year Presentation Ceremonies

Year 7	7.30 pm	Monday, 30 November
Year 9	9.00 am.....	Tuesday, 1 December
Year 8	10.30 am.....	Tuesday, 1 December
Year 10	9.30 am.....	Friday, 11 December

Details of these functions will be distributed to the year group involved.

Careers, Mrs Turnbull

Notre Dame University – Sydney (Year 12) - www.sydney.nd.edu.au - Act by: 12-02-2010

HSC students can still apply for places at Notre Dame University until February 12 but are encouraged to apply asap. The application form can be downloaded from the website. A key aspect of the unique Notre Dame admissions process is an interview. Courses offered are in Business, Nursing, Medicine, Law, Arts and Education.

Open Day - International Film School Sydney (Year 12) - www.ifss.edu.au - Act by: 28-11-2009

The IFSS is part of the ITC (University of Wollongong group of schools). Their Open Day is on Saturday 28th November, 11.00am – 3.00pm. Places are limited, so please be sure to RSVP by visiting the website. You can also view the student showreel and testimonials.

Discovery Day 2010 (Year 12 2010) - www.discoveryday.uow.edu.au - Act by: 27-11-2009

Year 12 students 2010 are reminded to register for this careers event - thirty nine students are currently registered. Students who do not register often change their mind by February 2010 and unfortunately, there are no late registrations. If you would like to spend a day at University of Wollongong trying out a number of different lectures and workshops, register on the internet before the closing date. Students who attend receive emails and information throughout their HSC year from the university about courses and events they may be interested in. You need a login and password available from the Careers Office.

Year 12, 2010 Blood Donors (Blood Donors) - Act by: 26-11-2009

Any students who would like to donate with the College donors this term can come to the Careers Office to book their appointment time. We will only be going one day this term in week 6 - Thursday 26th November. It would be great to see every appointment booked out. If you haven't donated before and would like to join us, please see Mrs Turnbull for more information and a permission note.

CyberSafety

Emails from an unrecognised sender, or one that doesn't have a valid sender's address or opt out facility, are questionable and could involve a scam. Also watch for use of pop-ups, websites that don't contain a privacy policy or websites that request up-front payments.

For more information go to www.cybersmartkids.com.au

Watch this space every week for cybersafety tips!



Green Corner, Mr Kane

There are 29 species of freshwater fish in the Shoalhaven River and 22 of those migrate at some stage in their lives. Since the dam was built it has been a barrier to these fish and has significantly reduced their habitat. In 2009 the Sydney Catchment Authority built a fishway to allow fish to move up and down the Shoalhaven River past Tallowa Dam. It is the first time fish have been able to move upstream since the dam was built in the 1970's.

AWD (Athletes with Disabilities)

Athletes with disabilities can represent their school, Diocese, CCC and NSW in swimming events. An opportunity for students to be properly classified will take place at the Guildford Aquatic Centre next year on the following dates: 20th February, 1st May, 26th June and 18th September. For more information and to book please contact Margaret Gregson on 0417 960202.

NEWS RELEASE

Sharon Bird MP

Federal Member for Cunningham

\$1.3 million for Metal and Engineering Trade Centre at Edmund Rice College

Edmund Rice College will receive \$1.3 million to establish a Metal and Engineering Trade Training Centre from the Commonwealth Government, Federal Member for Cunningham, Sharon Bird, announced this morning. "This Commonwealth Government investment in Edmund Rice College will help address skills shortages in the traditional trades in the region. The Metal and Engineering Trades Training Centre will upgrade existing facilities to industry standards and deliver engineering qualifications", Ms Bird said.

The \$1,315,506 Commonwealth Government funding is part of Round Two of the *Trade Training Centres in Schools* program. Ms Bird said that the Commonwealth Government had invested \$121.8 million in schools infrastructure, community education and training and TAFE facilities in the Cunningham electorate in the last 12-months. "Investing in modern educational infrastructure has been a key priority during the last 12 months for the Commonwealth Government. I am pleased that in this latest investment instalment, Edmund Rice College will be able to establish a Metal and Engineering Trade Training Centre", she said.

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Congratulations and thanks to Peter Crabbe and Brian Ireland for all their work in developing the submission for this funding over the last two years.

Canteen Roster for week commencing Monday, 9 November – Group 1

Monday: V Templeton, J Johnson, J Causero, C Meikle, B Koenig, L Buckland
Tuesday: M Karamatic, S Robinson, T Burleigh, B Kuper, S Codey, S Duncan
Wednesday: F Gauci, K Shield, M Pierro, L Laxton, O Apolloni, A Coleman, L Attewell
Thursday: E Scott, E Donoghoe, L Medley, K Gauci, D Duff
Friday: T Dark, J Holland, C Brodie, D Chapman, A Timpano, K Cardillo, S Atkinson



At the Canteen
Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th November

BBQ Lunch - both days: Meal Deal \$6.00

Breakfast: Milkshake & Toasted Sandwich \$3.50

Recess: Milkshake & Donuts \$4.00