Dear St Francis College Community,

Year 12 students and the Reach Out Committee highlighted the importance of R U OK Day by visiting all Pastoral groups and talking to students about the importance of checking in with each other to make sure their peers are OK. The College Community was encouraged to wear yellow with their normal uniform and work clothes to support the day. We were privileged to have Emma Kelly, child and adolescent mental health worker, speak to the students at Assembly. Emma highlighted the importance of having meaningful and regular conversations with those who are struggling.

R U OK? at School initiative aims to:

1. Prove the value of regular and meaningful conversations to teenagers
2. Build capacity of teenagers to have regular and meaningful conversations
3. Prompt teenagers to have regular and meaningful conversations
4. Inspire behavioural change so that all people at school ask ‘are you ok?’ of anyone struggling with life

While it's targeted at 14-18 year olds, it can be adapted for any age group and used in schools and other youth settings.

Thank you to Sophie Washington for her leadership in initiating our first R U OK day.

BELIEVE with all of your HEART that you will do WHAT YOU WERE MADE TO DO.

Mrs Brenda King
Principal
On **Friday 20 September** we will gather to farewell **Year 12 2013**. The day is always a great occasion! All students from Years 8-12 will celebrate Mass at St Joseph’s Church on Friday morning at 9.15am. Year 7 will come to school as usual to attend normal classes. At 11.15am parents, staff and all students will attend the Year 12 Farewell Assembly where Year 12 students will receive their awards.

School closes for Term 3 at 3.30pm on Friday 20 September. Term 4 commences on Wednesday 9 October 2013 for all students. **Monday October 7 October is the Labour Day Holiday and Tuesday 8 October is a PUPIL FREE DAY.**

**YEAR 12 VARIATION TO NORMAL ROUTINE FOR WEEK 10:**

- **Week 10, Wednesday 18 September** – Normal Lessons for Periods 1-3. Full College Uniform to be worn.
  - Period 4, all Year 12 to attend the Hall for Prizegiving Ceremony Practice
  - Afternoon Tea and Period 5, those Year 12 students who are participating in the Year 12 versus Staff Annual Soccer Challenge may change into their playing gear and participate in the match.
  - All Year 12 students must attend normal classes, Periods 1-3, must attend the Ceremony practice and must attend the Soccer game, whether playing or not.

- **Thursday 19 September, All Year 12 to attend their Final Reflection Day at Madonna Place.**
  - Please arrive at Madonna Place by 9.15am for a 9.30am start.
  - Students are NOT required to attend the College Campus that morning.
  - Boarding Students will be transported to the venue by bus.
  - Neat, appropriate casual clothes to be worn.
  - Reflection Day will conclude around 2.30pm. Day students may leave to travel home and boarding students will be transported back to the College.
  - Remember this is a wonderful opportunity to engage in some final special time with the cohort!

- **Friday 20 September, 9.15am Mass at St Joseph’s Church Leeton, followed by Morning Tea for Year 12, their parents and Staff in the College Dining Room from approximately 10.45am. 11.30am Year 12 Final Assembly & Prizegiving in the College Hall. Year 12 to leave the College Grounds at the conclusion of the Final Assembly.**

**YEAR 11 PARENTS/CARERS** An invitation is extended to Year 11 Parents who have a son/daughter that has applied for a position on the 2014 LEADERSHIP TEAM to attend the Year 12 Final Assembly commencing at 11.30am in the College Hall when the 2014 Leadership Team is announced.

**BOARDER NEWS**

A big thank you to everyone who had bought and sold chocolates, sold tickets in our recent Father’s Day Raffle and had a guess in our Jelly Bean Guessing Competition.

Congratulations to Year 7 & 8 boys who have raised just over $1,500. They have been enthusiastic and very willing to help, and as a result we are now discussing our purchase choices. We have already bought two new toasters and an Ipod Tower.

The winners of the Father’s Day Raffle were

1. **Prize Hamper** Javier Heym
2. **Prize Jacket** Miss Hinder
3. **Prize Toiletry Bag** George Pavese
4. **Prize Billabong Thongs** Mrs Ann Charles

The JELLY BEANS were won by Mrs Paterson.  

*(Mrs Mandy Hingston Boarding Supervisor)*
SFC SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder to all students if you are wearing summer or winter uniform it is expected that you wear it in its entirety. However, I would still like to remind families of the requirements of the correct school shoes. The College Policy clearly states: for the interests of safety and OH&S requirements all students must wear black leather lace up school shoes. **Skate shoes and flat-soled black casual shoes** are **NOT acceptable footwear** and have never been part of the College Uniform.

Please see below the example of the accepted style of shoe. Many manufacturers are now making comfortable and soft shoes that are being worn by the great majority of students. An example is the Ascent range made by “Athletes Foot”

- COLLEGE MAGAZINE 2013 -

Last year we successfully ran with a very different College magazine format from previous years. In an effort to cut down on costs and improve distribution we moved to a more diverse publishing method. This year’s College Magazine will be distributed in a similar format to last year.

- A printed edition can be pre-ordered for families who wish to purchase a copy.
- An online edition with bonus content available for free via an eMagazine. The link will be forwarded via email.
- Year 12 students will receive a copy as they are leaving the College.

The cost for a printed edition will be $20. Families who wish to purchase a printed copy of the magazine will need to record their details and pay at the College office no later than the **8th November 2013** (Friday Week 5 Term 4). A **Magazine Order Slip** at the end of this newsletter for interested families.

Please contact Mr Tom Pulver via pulvert@ww.catholic.edu.au if you have any questions regarding how to access this year’s magazine.

Mr Tom Pulver, VET / Learning Technologies Co-ordinator

FOOTY JUMPER DAY

The traditional FOOTY JUMPER DAY will be held for all students in Years 7-11 on Thursday 19 September …. Students are encouraged to where a footy jumper of his/her choice and/or appropriate casual clothes for a **GOLD COIN DONATION**. The GOLD COINS will be collected during Pastoral on Thursday. (see advert at end of newsletter)
On Tuesday 10\textsuperscript{th} of September the SFC Girls Rugby Union team played against Yanco Ag and Wagga High at Yanco Ag High School. It was the first time that our girls had played together and was the very first time playing rugby union for some of them. The girls should be extremely proud and happy with their performance as they all played exceptionally well. The first game our girls had was against a Yanco Ag team. It was a very close game but unfortunately for our girls Yanco Ag took the win 12-7. The next game was against Wagga High who got the victory 24-10. Our girls were getting hungry for a win and had one last chance. The final game for the day was against another Yanco Ag team. SFC didn’t hold back and came out on top with a 49-0 win. Thank you to Sam Allen, Angus Allen, Nick Pettit and Ainslee O’Halloran for helping out on the day. Another big thank you to Georgia Wallace and Bulou Baravilala for their motivation and dedication to get the team together and well prepared for the day. The team consisted of Georgia Wallace, Bulou Baravilala, Ua Ravu, Megan Dunn, Tess Nolen, Jess Murphy, Sophie Tyson, Brittany Pilon, Evie Morrison, Genevieve Star, Bree Chambers, and Kearhn Smith.

Mr Jacob Dal Nevo, RU Coach

**D & V AND ILLNESS:**

Could all Parents, Guardians and Carers please note that if your child has had **vomiting**, **vomiting and diarrhoea** or **diarrhoea** then it is recommended that they stay at home **for 48 hours after** the last symptom has stopped. This is a Department of Health recommendation. **If your child is unwell before coming to school please also keep them at home as this is how sickness is passed on via travelling on bus’s and being in classrooms with a child that is ill.** Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated for the comfort and health of students and staff.
IMMUNISATIONS:

Immunisations have been completed for this year and cards will be sent home next term. There will be a letter sent home for those that missed this last session as there will be no catch up at the school. For the boarders that missed this last day there will be an opportunity on the 10th October to have these as long as they have not missed a previous dose. Please keep the cards in your child’s “Blue Book” for future reference.

Could I also take this opportunity for parents to update their Medicare No: if they have received a new card as it is required when making medical appointments for your child in order for them to be bulk billed if applicable?

For children that commences medication whether it be over the counter or prescription a letter needs to be written or forms filled out (available from the Health Centre or Boarding Nurse) in order for that Medication to be given. Tablets / Medicines need to be in original sheets and boxes /bottles. As Registered Nurses we need to be sure of the integrity of the medication we are giving to the student/s.

For any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at the Health Centre.
Yours in Health, Mrs Vonn Gavel RN

COLLEGE COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The College Council encourages both Day and Boarding Student families to provide a Catholic Secondary Education for their child or children in attending St Francis College, by offering two forms of Scholarship - Academic and Financial Hardship; details are as follows:-

SCHOLARSHIPS ON OFFER:

- **3 two year** (financial hardship) scholarships covering the Tuition Fee;
- **2 one year** (financial hardship) scholarships covering the Boarding Fee; One scholarship is available to a student from the Junior School (Years 7 to 10) and one scholarship to a student from the Senior School (Years 11 and 12);
- **2 one year** (academic) scholarships covering the Tuition and Basic Service Fees; One scholarship is available to a student from the Junior School (Years 7 to 10) and one scholarship to a student from the Senior School (Years 11 and 12)

CONDITIONS:

- The scholarship holder will be subject to all the rules and regulations of the College in the same way as are for all other students;
- The closing date for all scholarship applications for the ensuing year is the last school day of Term 3 each year;
- The value of the scholarship awarded will equal the charge of the relevant fee as outlined in the Fee Schedule contained in the College Information Handbook;
- In financial hardship cases, the applicant is expected to be an average academic pupil who will be able to cope with and maintain acceptable standards of progress, conduct and leadership;
- The College Advisory Council reserves the right not to award any scholarship if, in their opinion, there is no appropriate applicant;
- The College Advisory Council reserves the right to terminate the scholarship of any student whose performance is not considered satisfactory;
- The decision of the College Advisory Council is final and absolute and no discussion or correspondence will be entered into.
- All enquiries and information concerning scholarships will be treated as confidential, with all correspondence disposed of at the close of proceedings.

Student Scholarship Applications are available from the **College Office** or by downloading the Scholarship Application from our website at [www.sfcww.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sfcww.catholic.edu.au) - Closing Date for Applications is **Friday 20 September 2013 at 3.30pm**.
WHAT’S HAPPENING?

CONTRIBUTION TO SFC NEWSLETTER
What have you been doing recently? We would love to hear your news!
In addition to stories about our past students, it is important to include what is happening with our current students/families as well as our past so please phone, email or fax any news you would like to share with the College Community to Mrs Briggs at the College Office at office@sfcww.catholic.edu.au

WE LOVE KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH YOU!
At SFC we are striving to maintain an accurate database of contact details for all past students to ensure ongoing effective communication with the thriving wider community. If we do not have your current email address, please email it to us at office@sfcww.catholic.edu.au or pettit@ww.catholic.edu.au (Mr Ian Pettit).

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS WANTED!!!!!!!!!!!!
Canteen Volunteers from all families associated with St Francis are urgently needed. The St Francis Canteen is for the convenience of the students and is run by volunteers under the guidance of Canteen Leader, Ms Lyn Vant. Canteen Hours are from 10.30am to 2.30pm (school days only). If you are able to help out for a day a term or even two days per term please contact Lyn on 02 6953 2901 (AH) or email lvant1@sfcww.catholic.edu.au. Or during school hours please contact Lyn Vant directly on 6953 3622, Extension 219.

CANCNTEEN ROSTER : Week 10 Term 3

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THE COLLEGE ART DEPARTMENT urgently requires SECONDHAND TOWELS for use in the Art Classrooms. If you can help PLEASE LEAVE them at the College Office for collection. Thank you anticipation of this support. Mr Ian Pettit, Art Teacher

LEETON LITTLE ATHLETICS

2013-2014 Leeton Little Athletics season commenced on Wednesday 11 September 2013, however Registrations and Trial Registrations are still being taken as the season goes through till March 2014. This year there have been some changes with the Tiny Tots holding age appropriate events in the middle of the track, allowing the older Competitors to move through their field events a lot quicker and smoother. We are also very fortunate enough to be hosting TWO CARNIVALS this year here in Leeton. So if you have ever considered having a go at Athletics this is the year to do it!

Cost is $60 for 1st and 2nd member of the family and $50 for 3 or more members registered. Compulsory club singlets $35 and shorts (not compulsory) $45.

All enquires to Club President Brendan Steele 0437 537 332 or BSteele@sunrice.com.au

And don’t forget to Like is on FACEBOOK to be kept updated with all the latest information.
Juniors – Monday afternoon – 5pm and 5.30pm. Fees: $30 per person
Year 7&8 competition will consist of the following divisions: Year 7&8 boys & Year 7&8 girls
In the year 7&8 divisions, registrations will be as teams.
Competition will begin on Monday 14 October and run for 9 weeks concluding on Monday 9 December.
There will be presentations for all players following their games this final week.

How to enter:
This season will see the launch of a new online registration system. This process should alleviate the burden placed on team delegates and allow a more convenient way for members to register and provide payment for the competition.

Year 7&8 Team Process
1. Team delegate (parent) to complete the team registration
   1. To complete the online team registration please visit www.leeton.mytouchfooty.com and click on the Team Registration on the right side of the website.
   2. Complete all details as indicated. Note: to complete the referee component simply put NA as this is only a requirement for senior teams. If a player or parent wishes to assist with refereeing duties or learn more about refereeing, fill in their details in the referee section.
   3. Once you have completed the online form an email will be generated and sent to you containing a unique team code.
   4. Distribute this code to all the team members
2. Individual members register in the team
   1. To complete the online individual registration and payment please visit www.leeton.mytouchfooty.com and click Individual Registration – Year 7&8.
   2. For majority of people the first step will be “I’m registering for the first time” and then you can enter the team code.
   3. Proceed through the remaining steps to confirm registration and payment
   4. You will need a credit card for payment
   5. Individuals will receive email confirmation of registration and payment
   3. Team delegates will also receive an email once a team member has registered with their team.

For more information contact Jackson Goman on 0428 525 766

ST JOSEPHS
LEETON
TRIVIA NIGHT 2
Friday 13th September @ 7.00pm
Please book a table this week to have a FUN NIGHT out and raise money for Madonna Place Renovations
Tables 8-10 if you are not on a table, just come!
$10 Per Person
BYO nibbles; drinks are available to buy on the night
~ Supper provided ~

Contact
Lena Porcu to book a table 6953 2378

WE REALLY NEED HELPERS FOR THE NIGHT AND COOKS FOR SUPPER so if you can help in any way please contact Lena

Presentation this year will be held at Murrumbidgee College Yanco at 12 noon on Sunday 15th September.
All current players and their families are invited to attend. There will be a BBQ followed by the presentation of awards.
Please RSVP with numbers attending for catering purposes to Leanne 0429 380783.
Registration day for Jerilderie Cricket Club’s U12s and U14s teams has been scheduled for **Thursday, September 19th, 2013, at Monash Park, Jerilderie, commencing at 5.00pm.**

Players currently in year 3 at school, through to players aged 13 years old or younger on 1 September 2013, qualify for either of these grades. Registration cost is $60.00 per player.

Could all players from last season please return their clean washed playing shirts at registration.

An announcement regarding Milo in2cricket for children in years K-2 will be made early next term.

For any enquiries please contact Andrew Browning phone 0429 803 187
**NSW CCC NETBALL REPORT**

On Wednesday 14 August the Junior, Intermediate and Senior netballers played in the 2013 Catholic Schools Netball Championships in Penrith. With the weather in our favour the day set out to be promising with both Junior and Intermediate teams winning the first few games, unfortunately not the same could be said for the Seniors. By the end of the day the Junior girls won 5 of their 7 games - a great effort from the girls. The Senior team finished on a high bringing home a win to do themselves, and Miss Cooper proud. However, after an excruciating hour long wait for the results of the count back. The Intermediates were named **2013 Catholic Schools Netball Champions** for their division. A huge thanks to Miss Cowled, Mrs Robertson and Miss Cooper for both coaching and caring for us over the trip. Well done Ladies!

2013 INTERMEDIATE NETBALL CHAMPIONS ARE: Mary Sandral, Kiara Papasidero, Izzie Dando, Ainslee O’Halloran, Meg Collins, Katelyn Clyne, Hannah Keely, Claudia McLean and Sophie Tyson. Last but not least a big thank to Abbey O’Callaghan for being the Umpire for the day. *Report by: Meg Collins, 10T1*
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19/9 - BACK TO NORMAL CLASSES PERIOD 3 AFTER THE MATHS EXAM!!

St Francis De Sales Regional College, Leeton
2013 COLLEGE MAGAZINE

I wish to purchase a PRINTED EDITION of the 2013 College Magazine. Please find enclosed $________ for payment (payable at the College Office) of ____ copy/copies.

Student’s Name: ___________________________________________ Pastoral: ______
Parent/Carers Signature: _______________________________________ Date: ______

RSVP due by 8/11/2013

ST FRANCIS DE SALES REGIONAL COLLEGE, LEETON
Day Students NOT returning to St Francis in 2014

Name of Student/s & 2013 Year Level/s who are NOT returning in 2014:

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