Next week sees the last week of formal classes for the majority of SS students, and we will, as a school community, farewell our Year 12s at their final assembly on Friday. During Swot Vac the following week, pre-tertiary C classes that have external exams will continue to be scheduled to allow for exam preparation. Students are expected to attend these classes (in school uniform) unless the teacher and class have agreed that they do not need to gather as a whole class. Regardless, the students will know that their teacher will be available in the regular class at the regular time for tuition. Of course, students are encouraged to feel free to contact their teacher at other times for additional support.

Each year, our College Magazine goes to print on a timeline to allow students to receive it on their last day at school. This raises the problem that the Magazine is not a complete record of the College’s year. For example, last year, the magazine was not able to do justice to the 50th Anniversary celebrations, and this year, if we held to the traditional timeline, the Northern Territory Cultural and football trip would not be included. Furthermore, each year, Presentation Night prize winners and academic achievers are not published until the following years’ magazine. On balancing the competing arguments of having the Magazine available for students at the end of the current year, versus the Magazine being a complete record of College events (in effect, a Yearbook), the decision has been made to change the timeline.

This means that the 2011 Magazine will be made available to students at the beginning of the 2012 school year. Year 12 students and those who leave the College can collect the magazine from the college office after this date, with postal arrangements when this is not possible.
Year 10 Assessment Week

The Year 10 students will be undergoing formal assessments from Friday November 18 until Wednesday November 23. Following parents' requests, the tests will be delivered in a formal setting as practice for senior exam conditions next year.

All classes in the cores subjects - Religious Education, English, Mathematics, Society and History, and Science - will be held at the same time in rooms set up as for senior exams. However, the tests will only take a double lesson. The tests will be distributed across all the teachers of the subject for marking and used as a moderation task. In keeping with how the senior exams are marked, there will be no written feedback on the test for students. The tests will be one part of their formative assessment. Students can collect the marked test from Caritas Office from December 5. When not in the test room students will go to normal classes.

Subjects, other than core subjects, may conduct tests during usual timetabled lessons.

National ICT Tests

Thank you to the students who participated in the tests held last week. The results are used to inform the Australian Curriculum writers on what Information Technology students use and how well.

Subject Selections for 2012

Students who will be seniors in 2012 have received their subject selections. Year 8 and 9 students will receive their 2012 selections next week and Year 7 students the following week. As indicated in the Subject Handbook, subjects run or are linked according to the number of students who chose them. Unfortunately, some students have selected subjects which have fallen on the same line so will be taught at the same time. Some subjects only attracted a small number of students so cannot run.

Mrs Helen Williams
Deputy Principal
Learning & Teaching

Yr 12 students

The 2012 C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship opens on Monday 5th December and closes on Friday 6th January 2012. The C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship is one of the most generous privately funded scholarships available to undergraduate students in Australia. They are valued at up to $60,000 over four years. Information about the C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship and an application form are available at www.hawkerscholarship.org.

Mrs Judy McIver
Futures & Pathways Coordinator

Fr Paul Turner—International Scholar and Speaker

An exploration of the revised prayers of the Mass by world renowned Fr Paul Turner. He is featured on the DVD ‘Become One Body, One Spirit in Christ’.

This important session will look at the significant prayers of the Mass. Fr Turner will open up some of the newly translated prayers and discuss how we might pray them. There will be an opportunity to ask questions.

For more information and session venues and times please contact the Liturgy Office, Ph: 6208 6232, oclam@aohtas.org.au. Website: http://www.hobart.catholic.org.au/Missal.html.

Health & Physical Education

HPE Week:

This week we have been celebrating HPE week. This week aims to highlight the importance of health and physical activity. On Monday a dodgeball championship was held for the Year 7’s with Miss Sherriff’s class taking out the title. Tuesday the College was collectively challenged to walk 100km at lunchtime. By doing laps of the oval, 168 students and staff took up the challenge ad walked a combined total of 240km, a great effort. Milkshakes were also sold at recess, highlighting the importance of calcium in developing strong healthy bones. Wednesday saw the Hawks Cup netball girls taking on a staff netball team and despite experience, youth won the day. Today the Year 8’s hit the dodgeball courts in what should be a fierce competition.

9/10 Girls Div. A Basketball

After one intense training session the girls were ready for the weekend. With 9 eager players, the girls made it through Saturday with two wins and one loss. With tired bodies the team headed home to rest, ready to take on Wynyard Sunday morning. A win put us into the Grand Final against Marist and despite a great team effort we were not able to overcome a strong opposition. Well done to all the girls on a great team effort and we now look forward to the State Championships in a couple of weeks.

Mr Steve Ryan
Head of Health & Physical Education Faculty
North West Tasmania High School Basketball Championships

Last Saturday 22nd October and Sunday 23rd October saw six teams from St Brendan-Shaw College compete alongside forty-nine other teams from Colleges and High Schools from along the North West Coast. Three venues were used to accommodate all the games. These venues being: Devonport Recreation Centre, East Devonport Recreation Centre and Ulverstone Recreation Centre. Overall the results were impressive with the 7/8 Div B Boys, 7/8 Div A Girls and 9/10 Div A Boys all playing off in the Grand Finals. Congratulations go to the 7/8 Div B boys and 9/10 Div A boys who won their respective Finals. In that respect the College was successful but the true success was in the enjoyment and experience had by all players throughout the tournament.

As Basketball Coordinator I would like to thank the following people:

- Miss Abbie-Rose Imlach and Miss Erin Howells 7/8 Girls Div B Coaches
- Mrs Jane Dutton 7/8 Girls Div B Manager
- Mr Sam Whish-Wilson 7/8 Girls Div A Coach
- Mrs Janine Richards 7/8 Girls Div A Manager
- Mr Steven Ryan 9/10 Girls Div A Coach
- Mrs Tracie Buchwald 9/10 Girls Div A Manager
- Mr Jakeb Morrison 7/8 Boys Div B Coach
- Mr Daniel Little 7/8 Boys Div B Assistant Coach
- Mrs Gina Hills 7/8 Boys Div B Manager
- Mr Wayne Hills 7/8 Boys Div A Coach
- Mr Brett Hadley 7/8 Boys Div A Assistant Coach
- Mrs Cheryl Sheehan 7/8 Boys Div A Manager
- Mr Marcus Bellchambers 9/10 Boys Div A Coach
- Mrs Josie Cook 9/10 Boys Div Manager

It is wonderful to have the expertise and skill this group had to assist our students. Their time and efforts are very much appreciated. There were also a large number of parents who assisted with bench duty throughout the tournament and your contributions are also appreciated. A special mention goes to Mrs Gina Hills whose organisational skills assisted me throughout the planning and preparation for the tournament. We as a College community are very fortunate to be able to rely on the critical role that all these people play. Thank you!

Congratulations to the girls of Girls 7/8 B team. Although our weekend did not show success on the scoreboard, we were definitely able to show how determination and teamwork make for a positive experience for all. A special thank you to Abbie and Erin for coaching the girls, you displayed leadership and communication skills beyond your years.

Mr Adam Aherne
Basketball Coordinator

In front of a crowd of around 400 the boys fought back from an early deficit to grind down the bigger Marist opponents to take a 46 38 win. The team went through the weekend undefeated beating Wynyard, Reece, Marist 2 and Ulverstone in the semi to make their way to the final. In their four years the years 10’s have won every North West title on offer. A truly outstanding performance and it has been a pleasure to be involved with such an outstanding group of young men.

Marcus Bellchambers

The 7-8 div 2 boys SBSC Basketball team took the High School Championships by storm! We went into the tournament with low expectations but had the determination to win. After our 3 win 1 loss record heading into the finals we were advised that we had received a spot in the grand final. We faced a strong Latrobe High team that previously beat us by 28 points. We played strong and fierce, and wanted to win badly. With big performances from all of the boys, we came together in the last 4 minutes to take the game 40 - 45. It was a great weekend overall. Thank you to the parents for giving up their time and a big thank you to the manageress Mrs Gina Hills for looking after the teams injuries. A final thank you to the officials at the DBC for making the weekend so enjoyable.

Jakeb Morrison (Coach)
We are so proud to say that Sean Dewar from the Yindinji Kimoy tribe in Cairns, North Queensland has come to St. Brendan Shaw College to entertain us with his incredible show, the students were shocked and surprised because he was just so amazing, his dancing was outstanding and he was hilarious, everyone couldn’t stop laughing. We had so much fun listening to his stories about him growing up. We have learned so much about his past and his present, he told us so many stories our brains couldn’t take it, and his dancing was just really stunning and he did a lot of different dances, like breakdancing and the robot dance. It was a very informative and entertaining experience to see Sean Dewar in action doing all the dances. He was also really skilled with the boomerang and the spear, everyone said that they enjoyed the spear and the boomerang most because it was very entertaining and you really don’t see a show as good as that every day. He threw the spear the length of the soccer pitch.

People had different opinions about him and they told us different things about their experience with listening to Sean. Most people said that he was hilarious and he was very skilled with his boomerangs and spears. They also said that they had so much fun listening to his stories about his childhood. His dancing and singing were very entertaining... people also said that Sean playing the didgeridoo was really good and funny. The way he ran was really funny mimicking Mufasa. His tools and his stuff he got from his tribe were very interesting and looked pretty valuable to him and I am glad that everybody respected that.

Mohammed Fareed Year 9

Port Sorell Canine Walk - Sunday, 20th November 2011

The Delta Therapy Dog Program involves a group of dedicated volunteers and their Accredited Dogs visiting NW Coast Aged Care facility residents.

To support this program, you, friends, family and your dog please join us at 10:30am for an 11:00am start.

- Gold coin donation
- Prizes from the Premier’s Physical Activity Council
- Sausage Sizzle
- Choice of 2km or 4.5km walks (return)

Mohammed Fareed Year 9

Aboriginal Performer Sean Dewar Visits SBSC

Uniform Shop

LAYBY NOW COLLECT JAN/FEB 2012

Tuesdays/Wednesdays 10.00 am — 4.00 pm

- Polo Tops $42.00 (new tops have arrived)
- P.E. Shorts $32.00
- White Socks 3prs $12.00

Cash, Cheque, Layby, Eftpos available.

Garage Sale Items

- Spring is in the air and it is a great time to spring clean those cupboards and sheds!
- Devonport Girl Guides will be holding a garage sale on Saturday October 29th and would be happy to take your donations of good quality Second hand saleable items.
- To organise a suitable time for dropping of your items please call Nerina on 0408 371 116 between 9-5pm.