Today is the feast of St. Francis Xavier. He was a missionary priest in the sixteenth century and an early companion of St Ignatius of Loyola.

Prayer for Generosity

Lord, teach us to be generous,
Teach us to serve you
As you deserve to be served
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labour and to seek no return
Other than the knowledge
that we do your will.

Amen
(St Ignatius of Loyola)

Lauren’s success in the pool

Lauren Wilson, Year 10 Colin 424, is a member of the Drummoyne Under 16s Water Polo team which has had the following outstanding results this year.

- March 2010 - Gold Medal at the Sydney Metropolitan Championships
- Easter 2010 - Gold Medal at the NSW Championships in Wagga Wagga
- October 2010 - Gold Medal at the Australian Championships in Hobart

Lauren has been working hard with the Australiana School Girls coach to continue to improve her skills in the pool.

We congratulate Lauren on her success this year and wish her all the best in future Water Polo pursuits.

Ms Stimson (Acting Colin House Coordinator)

Three Minutes to Win!

Tiana Saba has always loved making movies and now it has paid off. Tiana submitted a short three minute movie titled, “Jayden’s First Movie”, describing a day in the life of a three year old. The movie gained first place winning Tiana a course on the Apple program I-Movie. Congratulations on this win and we hope you enjoy your prize.

Private Instrumental, Vocal and Speech & Drama Concert

Congratulations to all the fabulous girls who performed in the Private Instrumental, Vocal and Speech & Drama Concert on Tuesday 23rd November. We were treated to performances by the College Senior Jazz Band, as well as solo, duo and trio performances organised by the private tutors here at the College. The girls performed a variety of pieces ranging from popular, musical theatre, jazz and classical. The Speech and Drama girls also participated for the first time with both contemporary and Shakespeare monologues.

A big thank you must go to Mr McNeal, as well as our private tutors Emilie Le Masson, Javier Vilarino, Emily Garth, Cynthia Terry, Lauren Allison, Anthony Costa, Greg Jones and Carol Tang. Also thanks to our Creative Arts Captains for all their help on the night, Annalise Buttitta and Hayley Robinson-Smith.

Ms Spata, Creative Arts Coordinator
**How Entertaining!**

The Year 12 Entertainment girls helped make Gala day 2010 a huge success by providing technical support for staging, lights, and audio and vision systems. Pre Gala Day, the girls worked hard behind the scenes through rehearsals and technical systems checks, to ensure that all audio, vision, dancing, and music presentations went on as planned. The Entertainment team pulled together and worked conscientiously to meet the high presentation standards that Gala Day is renowned for.

A number of Entertainment team members deserve special mention and thanks for their professionalism, commitment and responsibility in setting up, testing, operating and packing up their production areas:

- Audio & Vision: Karly Scuglia (Jar 122), Aimee Mursell (J3)
- Technical Support/Runner: Annalise Buttita (Per 102)
- Backstage: Brienna Small (Per 113)
- Curtain: Kailey Parrot (Mar 321)

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**Principal’s Awards**

Congratulations to the following girls …

**For ENTERTAINMENT**

K. Scuglia (Jaricot), A. Mursell (Jaricot), A. Buttita (Perroton), B. Small (Perroton), K. Parrot (Marcellin).

**Art Auction Cancellation**

Dear Parents and Girls

Thank you for your interest and support in the WILL Art Auction which was to be held this Friday 3rd December, starting at 6pm.

Due to unforeseen difficulties we have been unable to proceed with the Art Auction. We apologise for any inconvenience.

The special presentation of the Advent Calendars will still take place at the College between 4pm and 6pm Friday 3rd December 2010.

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**Duty Girl Roster**

**COMMENCING MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2010**

- **Monday** Philippa Bullock and Georgie Danos-DeLuca
- **Tuesday** Madeline Bulmer and Emma Davidson
- **Wednesday** Mikayla Buono and Emma Dawson
- **Thursday** Kate Butler and Kathryn Delavere
- **Friday** Jamie Byford Palmer and Claudia Delic

*Girls report to Reception by 8:50 am*
Sailing News

Thank you to all those sailors and families who attended Sports Night Prizegiving on Wednesday. With 26 sports to be recognised this year it was a long night but a memorable one. At the conclusion of the evening the big surprise was the 2010 Sailing Team being awarded Best Team Result for the year. Well done to all our sailors.

Last Saturday was our last sail for the year on Mr McClelland’s “Macscap”. We set out early with our crew – Lauren Kerjan, Harriet Mavin, Brooke Rodgers, Yvette Laferla and Grace LeMarquand. Harriet steered the 37 footer under motor to Athol Bay (Taronga Zoo) where we hoisted sails and set out past Taylors Bay, Chowder Bay, Obelisk Bay, Middle Head and through Sydney Heads out to sea for 4 miles in 20 to 25 knots of NE breeze.

At all times under sail “Macscap” was skippered by Year 8 girl, Grace LeMarquand, who showed great talent. Manned by Year 7 girls, after 4 miles out we jibbed for the return trip to Lane Cove with a big following sea. Steering a large yacht in a big following sea is not a simple task and it’s easy to make errors, however young Grace just amazed us all. She was calm, didn’t make a mistake and had a grin whenever she managed to splash the Year 7 girls who were sitting close to the bow. During the run back we passed many racing fleets either headed out for the short offshore or Harbour races.

Thank you girls for your fabulous company. Also to the McClelland and Kerjan family and Mr Kaplan for keeping our girls on the water during this difficult time. The experiences they have had will be hard to repeat and I’m sure we have enriched their lives.

No more Saturday sailing for 2010.

Mr Maloney (9879 6935, 0415 219 112)
New Years Eve on the Plaza!
Welcome in the New Year, escape the crowds and enjoy a great view of the 9pm and midnight fireworks from one of Sydney Harbour’s best privately owned vantage points! From the great response over the last couple of weeks we now have some details for you so please read the attached flyer with this Newsletter email.

Woolwich Netball
Registration Day
4th December 2010
10.00am till 12.00noon
at Holy Name of Mary Church Hall
Corner of Mary Street and Ryde Road Hunters Hill
Registration form is attached with Newsletter email

Volunteers needed for MYER Christmas Gift Wrap
Vision Australia is a living partnership between people who are blind, sighted or have low vision.
We are looking for volunteers to help at selected MYER stores for our annual Christmas Gift Wrap – all funds raised go towards Vision Australia’s children’s services, supporting children who are blind or have low vision, and their families.
When:
From 16th December to 24th December 2010, multiple shifts each day
Where:
At selected MYER stores across Sydney – you choose the store, your training and shift preferences
How:
Free training is provided – selected days from 2nd December
To register:
Visit www.visionaustralia.org/myergiftwrap OR call Vision Australia on 1300 847 466

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Selling your home takes time and planning – if you are thinking of selling in the New Year please contact us now.
Kind Regards
Tracey Dixon

Altar Servers Camp
The Sydney Guild of St Stephen for altar servers will hold it’s Annual Conference at St Joseph’s Conference Centre Bringelly from 9th to 12th January 2011. Open to all Altar Servers from Year 6 and above, the youth camp will give servers a grounding in the new translation of the Roman Missal. Final bonus day held in Jamberoo. For more details contact Parish Priest, OR the Sydney Guild Convenor, Fr Danai Penollar, on 0417 259 617; (google “RE Online”, and search for “Altar Servers Conference 2011”).
For Promotional Flyer please go to:
http://www.ceosyd.catholic.edu.au/Parents/Religion/Lists/WhatsOn/Attachments/12/Altar_Servers_Conference%202011.pdf

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For all students in Years 7 to 12
17th to 20th January 2011
ICS* will be conducting a series of workshops to assist students improve their exam results. All students welcome. Programs include:
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- Advanced Study Skills – Years 9 to 12 (17th Jan)
- Essay Skills – Years 9 to 12 (18th Jan)
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