## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BOARDING

#### Dear College Community

Welcome back to everyone for 2017, especially to our new students who have joined the Rostrevor community for the very first time. The opportunity to board and attend school away from your local districts cannot be underestimated, our students are able to develop some vital skills that will stay with them for many years. Of course some settle quicker than others and find the boarding life much to their liking. Well done on a great start.

Our first weekend was spent on the Glenelg foreshore. This visit to Glenelg allows all to relax whilst meeting with our new students. Our boys spent the day checking out the Jetty Rd shops, taking a swim, buying a few treats and generally chilling out before the year kicks off. Our base for the day was under the magnificent pines on the foreshore. The boys assisted with setting up then went off to enjoy the free time, spilling onto the lawns kicking footballs, playing cricket and participating in some beach volleyball. Sunday was rather wet, hence we spent the day doing indoor activities. Mr Walker tested the boys with some team-orientated games, the banter between the groups was all part of the fun. Unfortunately the wet weather prevented us from using our water-slide this year.

This year at Rostrevor is the year of "see further"..... here at Duggan House our motto for the year is "Just do it". Our positive start to 2017 has been largely due to the quick mateships being developed between our students during this first term. Developing trusting links with each other is vital for all to settle comfortably into the communal setting here at Duggan House.

Students from years 7-10 visited the Pembroke Pool Party on the second weekend, this was well supported with many catching up with friends from other schools. Being a fairly hot night the pool, certainly won them over, Pembroke also provided snacks, lollies and drinks much to the delight of all.

Saturday 25th February {Week 3} we entered 3 sides into the 3-ON -3 Basketball event down on the Trinity Baptist courts at Trinity Gardens, which was an U-15 and Open event. Our teams did very well, with young Ben Browne from Darwin providing the most entertainment with his slick moves and dodging through the bigger opponents.

Many thanks to our Year 12 students who made contact with all new students during the Xmas holidays, I'm sure the welcome call was much appreciated by the families associated.

Congratulations to our First XI cricket side on winning the Intercol clash against SHC captained by Murphy Short. Well done boys!

Our football season kicks off next term, feel free to visit our beautiful grounds to see our young guns in action. We are also running our Footy Tips competition during the AFL Season. During our final week of term we are running a table tennis competition in Duggan House, plenty of talent on display here as well. Enjoy the upcoming Easter break, followed by the school holidays. Look forward to everyone returning for Term 2.

In closing, I would like to thank all staff for the great support and guidance towards your son throughout Term 1 of 2017.

God Bless

Eugene Evans

Director of Boarding

#### HEAD BOARDER - HUGH WALKER



Late 2016, the current year 12s of Duggan House attended a leadership camp. It was decided in 2017 the Boarding house theme would be the year of "just do it". All students in Duggan House have adopted this concept and it is pleasing to see some of the younger students putting their hands up and showing leadership within their cohort.

The first week of the year included our annual lock in for all boarders, old and new. This provides students a stepping stone in developing relationships will other boys in the house.

Friday night consisted of a basketball match at Purton Hall, which helped the new students form friendships with current boarders. On the Saturday the tradition is being built for the whole boarding house to be involved in a trip down to Glenelg. The boys had the opportunity to spend the afternoon at the beach. This gives time for new students to get out of the boarding house for the day but to also bond more closely with the rest of the Duggan House residents in an environment outside of the college. This also eventuated to a staff vs students beach volley ball tournament which saw a number of student teams compete against the staff team. With little success for students, the staff team ended the day undefeated. Saturday night the new boarders were partnered up with one of the older boarders, the challenge was to spend a few minutes getting to know one another then presenting them self as their partner. This challenge offered a chance for the whole house to learn something interesting not just about our new boarders but also our existing boarders. Sunday the boys were afforded a latter start before our team bonding exercises took place. The boys were separated into small groups in which we competed against the other groups in a vast range of activities, ranging from physical challenges of endurance, hidden talents, brain teasers and other short games which were designed to form a close-knit, inclusive environment within the house. The weekend was then concluded with our first Chapel service for the vear.

It was a great weekend and we saw many boys come out of their shell and form new friendships which will be long lasting. A big thank you to the boarding house leadership team and all the supervisors that dedicated their time to this weekend. I know many of the boys got a lot out of this weekend and were appreciative of all the time and effort that went into making the weekend so great.

Throughout the term, students in the Boarding house have enjoyed activities such as inter boarding school socials, pool parties, movie nights. These are the things which lead to great memories for all of the boarders during their time in Duggan House.

Earlier this term the Dugan house year 12 leadership group met with the leaders from the Loreto boarding house. As result of the meeting, over the next two terms we will visit Loreto once and they will return the visit. We will have a netball match at Loreto and a touch football match at Rostrevor. This will then be followed by a Chapel service and a meal in each occasion. This is always fun and gives the boys a great opportunity to interact with the girls from our sister school. They get to showcase their netball skills...... I look forward to seeing the boys display their skills on the court while acting as young Rostrevor men

Safe & Happy holidays to everyone



2017 New Boarders' first day



Weekly Boarders' Mass

# **BOARDING PHOTOS**TERM 1



L-R Anthony McCarthy, Dan Fraser, Darcy Fogarty, Mitchell Gum & Max McKay at Glenelg

#### KATY'S CORNER - HOUSE MOTHER KATY FORBES

After 11 long weeks I am sure you are looking forward to spending the holidays with your sons. It was very pleasing to see how quickly the boys settled into boarding life (in spite of the homesickness I am sure felt by the boys, old and new) Flu Vaccinations took place on 30th March, a little earlier this year than we have managed over the past few years, and hopefully will be effective in keeping the "bugs" away this winter.

We encourage the boys to take as much of their clothing and bed linen home at the end of term so parents have the opportunity to sort through what has been outgrown, torn, not wanted etc. Some boys deal with it by shoving it to the back of their shelves/wardrobes or any corner they can find for the duration of the term, and then, there are some who are well organised (no need for names-we know who they are).

It is also important to check that the boys have all clothing they bring back with them named. After each laundry day we find a large amount of unnamed clothing which remains unclaimed despite giving the boys regular opportunities to check if any belongs to them. If it is still there at the end of term a donation is made to Vinnies or Salvos.

Term 2 and 3 the boys will be in winter uniform. The Uniform shop will be open Monday, 1st May for boarder families between 1.00-6.00 pm if you need any last minute purchases.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday.



Hamish May in action



John McLennan & Jeffrey Simon



2017 Intercol Winners Rostrevor First XI



Ben Brown takes a shot



Jamiro Hume, Justin Woods, Beau Palmer-O'Connell, Leonard Ferreira at Glenelg

### **NOTICES**

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER Term 2**

#### Monday 01 May

Boarders return - P/T/S interviews

#### Friday 05 May

Edmund Rice Day

Generations in Jazz (05-07 May)

#### Tuesday 09 - Thursday 11 May

Naplan Testing years 7 & 9

#### Monday 29 May

Boarders' High Tea

#### Saturday 03 June

Parents' and Friends' Ball

#### Wednesday 14 - 16 June

Year 9 Camp

#### Monday 26 - Thursday 29 June

Year 11 Service Learning

#### Tuesday 27 - Tuesday 04 July

Darwin Music Tour

#### 2017 Term 2 Exeat Dates

- 20 21 May
- 10 12 June

#### EXEAT WEEKENDS

Parents Please Note: We would appreciate students being returned by 6pm on the Sunday/ Monday night (long weekends) after an exeat, as our kitchen is now supplying dinner for your son. Please ensure your leave form is filled out with a return time for our catering staff.

#### STAFF MOVEMENTS

Thanks to Gerrard Doyle and Andy Miller who will now be spending less time here, however they will continue as our Emerg relief staff. We welcome Ben Clohesy and Christopher Robinson to the fold as Tutor/supervisors.

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

Have you changed your contact details recently?

If so don't forget to notify the College to ensure we are able to reach you.

Please call 8364 8371 or email contactdetails@rostrevor.sa.edu.au to notify us of any changes.

#### TERM 2/3 WINTER UNIFORM

Please check clothing for the up-coming Term as your son may require additional items.

#### WEEKEND LEAVE

Reminder to have your leave submitted through Boardingware.

When taking leave on Fridays and Saturdays students must return by the times listed below.

- Years 7-10: 8.30pm
- Year 11: 9.30pm
- · Year 12: 10.30pm

#### P/T/S INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Student interviews for boarding familes will be held on Monday 1st May: 3:30pm - 5:30pm please refer to email.

#### PLEASE NOTE

Under no circumstances are students to bring Peanut Butter and Nutella into the Boarding House. This food is Banned





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## **TERM DATES** 2.017

#### Term 1

Tuesday 31 January – Thursday 13 April Good Friday, 14 April

Easter Saturday, 15 April

Easter Sunday, 16 April

Easter Monday, 17 April

#### Term 2

Tuesday 02 May - Friday 30 June

Queen's Birthday/Volunteers' Day Holiday, 13 June

#### Term 3

Monday 24 July - Friday 29 September

#### Term 4

Monday 16 October -

Thursday 07 December

#### **FIELD DAYS**

Yorke Peninsula (Paskeville) **26-28 September** 

A CATHOLIC ALL BOYS' DAY & BOARDING COLLEGE IN THE EDMUND RICE TRADITION
Reception to Year 12