

# ST. MARY'S COPTIC ORTHODOX COLLEGE



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### YEAR 11 CAMP

Between Monday 4 and Wednesday 6 February, 18 Year 11 students attended camp at Lima East in the Strathbogie Ranges. Instructors from AUSCAMP led our students through a challenging program which included camping out, bushwalking, canoeing and abseiling.

Students were also led through a number of team building games and were spoken to on the subject of leadership by Fr. Peter Agaibi. All who attended were fully extended and came back to school tired but happy. It is hoped that next year all the Year 11 students will attend this very rewarding and worthwhile camp.

**Ron Laidlaw  
Camp Co-Ordinator**



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Primary area of St. Mary's requires a Teacher Aide to assist teachers in their classroom, and work with our consulting speech therapist. The successful applicant must be fluent with Reading, Writing and Speaking English. Hours: 8.30 – 3pm Monday to Friday.

All Applications to be in writing, addressed to Mrs. Denise Collins  
Administration Co-Ordinator, PO Box 19 Dallas Vic 3047.

**Education Maintenance Allowance**  
Closing date for the First Instalment of the Education Maintenance Allowance is on Friday 22 February 2008.  
Parents are reminded that only those who hold a Health Care Card or Pension Card can apply.

**REMINDER**  
The school magazine for 2007 is available from  
Mr. Nye in Secondary or  
Mrs. Lee in Primary  
Cost: \$10

## **DIRECTORS MESSAGE**

Dear Parents and Students

I am pleased to welcome you all to the new school year 2008. Your valuable support over the last school year 2007 was very much appreciated. Your continued support throughout this new school year will be very important for the school to continue its mission toward proper upbringing and excellent education for our children. 640 students are enrolled for 2008 at the school. 60 new Prep students are enrolled this year. I wish also to extend very sincere welcome to all new students and their families.

Here is some of our news for this year:

- 1) New air conditioning systems have been installed at the secondary classes at Building C.
- 2) Some classes have been fitted with Interactive boards. More classes will be fitted during this year. These boards add different and more efficient resources for teaching.
- 3) A new electronic administration system has been installed which enhances the school data base and also provide a more accurate and efficient resources for class roll editing and timetabling.
- 4) Please have a look at our refurbished website [www.copticvic.org](http://www.copticvic.org) where you can get information about school policies, timetables, fees, school news and subjects. More items will be available soon.

I am praying that the Lord bless you and all family members. Looking forward for a new blessed and successful school year.

**Fr. Tadros Sharobeam**

### **Before School, After School and Vacation Care – Preliminary Notice:**

From Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> of June this year, we will be introducing a Before School, After School and Vacation Care Program. We plan to run the program from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm. All parents will be notified of costs, times and the program over the coming months.

### **Road Safety and YOUR Children**

The school has always requested that parents who pick up, or drop off, their children from school do so in Marcus Cr; recently more and more parents are dropping off, or picking up, students in Thorpdale Ave. This has caused a number of complaints from neighbours, bus drivers, teachers and the local council as we have had several 'near misses' with students. Please help us look after all of the students by working together on this.

### **STATEWIDE IMMUNISATION PROGRAM**

	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> VISIT</b>	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> VISIT</b>	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> VISIT</b>
	<b>21 April 2008</b>	<b>5 June 2008</b>	<b>29 October 2008</b>
Year 7	Hep B (1) HPV (1)	HPV (2) Varicella	Hep B (2) HPV (3)
Year 9	HPV (1)	HPV (2)	HPV (3)
Year 10	HPV (1)	HPV (2) Boostrix	HPV (3)

**HPV = Cervical Cancer (girls only)**  
**Boostrix = Diphtheria, Tetanus & Whooping Cough**

**Varicella = Chicken Pox**  
**Hep B = Hepatitis**

Immunisation cards have already been distributed and should be signed and returned by Monday 18 February. Please return the signed card even if your child is not participating in the program.