OFFICE OPENING TIMES
The College Administration office will be open until Friday 17th December 2004 and will re-open on Monday 24th January 2005. Please note the Office Hours in 2005 will be 8:15 am - 4:30 pm.

UNIFORM SHOP
For Enquiries please phone the Uniform Shop direct on 85-214547. If not attended, please leave a message. OPENING HOURS FOR REMAINDER OF TERM 4 - MONDAY 6/12 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm, THURSDAYS 2/12/04 & 9/12/04 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm, ALSO on 2/12/04 from 8:00 am - 9:30am. OPENING HOURS FOR 2005 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: 24/1/05, 25/1/05 & 27/1/05 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

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Christmas Eve Masses
- 6.00 pm Children’s mass
- 7.30pm Children’s mass
- 11.30 pm Carols
- Midnight Mass 12.00 midnight

Sunday December 26th 8.00 am and 10.00 am
An extract from the Principal’s Presentation Night Report 2004 has been a very successful year in many respects. The old adage “the proof is in the pudding” is a reasonable assessment technique and I have watched the year 12 cohort with great interest and used them as something of a measure of the tone of the College. They were a wonderful group, their solidarity never more evident than at their retreat. They had a positive approach to all aspects of school life and they provided a very positive example to younger students. I certainly hope the younger ones gleaned much from what they witnessed. The College leadership at large was outstanding and I pay particular tribute to our two College Captains.

Community perceptions must also be considered as a significant measure of performance, in this case the 280 applications for year 8 in 2005 must be considered as being very affirming of the way the College is perceived in the wider community.

As a teaching staff we have begun to review the curriculum, to gather data about how we can continue to improve the teaching and learning experiences at Xavier and have committed ourselves to a professional learning project in association with the Australian Government’s Quality Teacher Program, to develop a continuous improvement model of curriculum development.

At this time of the year I have the somewhat sad task of farewelling a number of members of staff. In alphabetical order

- Mr. Paul Belton has been at Xavier for only a very short time but he will be leaving to take up the position of Head of Senior School at Rostrevor College
- Mr. Paul Elliot has been at Xavier for 3 years and is going to St Paul’s College to teach in the Science area.
- Mr. Michael Haddad has been at Xavier for 5 Years and is leaving to take up the position of Coordinator of Science at Kildare College
- Ms. Jane McDermott has been at Xavier for 4 Years and is leaving to take up the position of Coordinator of English at Sacred Heart College Middle School
- Ms. Kathleen Meyers has been at Xavier for 3 Years and is leaving to take up the position of Acting Coordinator of Business Studies at Gleeson College
- Mrs. Aurora Reid has been at Xavier for 8 Years and is leaving to take up the position of Coordinator of English at Loreto College
- Mr. Anthony Sutton has been at Xavier for 7 Years and is leaving to take up the position of Director of School Operations at Kildare College

Mrs. Stephanie Margatich and Mr. Stephen Orr are both taking 12 months leave from Xavier, Stephanie to broaden her teaching experiences at Gleeson College and Stephen to write another novel, the third I believe. Ms. Julie Walker and Mrs. Elizabeth Schwarz conclude short-term contracts at Xavier and I thank them both for their contributions and all they have brought to the College.

I would also like to acknowledge members of the non-teaching staff who will be leaving us: Mrs. Linda Lynch is moving interstate, Mrs. Jan Prentice is going to Tindale College and Mrs. Marguerite Miller and Ms. Jo Ruches are both taking 12 month leave, I wish them all well for the future.

I think it is a tribute to the College that of the 7 staff members who are leaving Xavier permanently, 6 are doing so to take up positions of leadership in other Catholic Colleges, this is obviously fertile ground.

I also take this opportunity to thank all the staff at Xavier for the ongoing giving of themselves in the classrooms, offices and grounds of the College. In particular my heartfelt thanks to the executive team, being lumbered with a new Principal is difficult and I thank them for their very generous support of me, I also thank very sincerely the College Board and Fr Germano for their support throughout the year.

My remarks so far have formed something of a report and focused on the past, however, I would like to conclude with a brief look forward.

During the early part of 2005 I will ask the College community to contribute to the preparation of a new 5 year Development Plan. Students, staff, parents and all stakeholders in this enterprise will be consulted in the process of preparing the plan. This process will help shape various aspects of the way forward from a variety of perspectives and will be an interesting and informative exercise. Whilst this will certainly be an important process and something that all schools do in the course of normal business, it is only a part of what guides this College forward.

There is an overriding purpose that gives Xavier College very clear direction. I think this a good opportunity to reiterate our mission.

We live in a world that sends confusing and contradictory messages, particularly to the young. Many entities within the educational sector drift between the whims of Government policy and social pressures. Xavier College however, is a Catholic school, Christian values guide our way forward and the inspiration of St John Bosco and the Salesian traditions, alinate that pathway very clearly.
The following students sat for their AMEB piano exams and achieved excellent results.

Emma Stacey received a B+ for AMEB Grade 4
Victoria Lewis received a B for AMEB Grade 3
Amelia Mitchell received a B+ for AMEB Grade 3
Melissa Barker received an A for AMEB Preliminary Grade.

CONGRATULATIONS
Two Students from Xavier College attended the Rage Cage at Elizabeth Tafe during 2004. Out of the 10 participants in the course both of our student received awards - Jack Brown received best welder and team player and Ben Dunk received most improved and best attitude. The boys have also both got apprenticeships - Ben is an apprentice boiler maker/welder for the Submarine Corp and Jack has an apprenticeship with Completed Additions as a carpenter.

THE CHOOK HOUSE

Behind shadowed door and ancient iron
She sheltered from frenzied wind in flight.
Beneath her coarsely threaded coat, precious
Warmth tight in arms and folds of wool, cradled
In the dank, invading darkness. Watching,
Fearful, electric flashes streak blackness.
Oppressive silence enclosed whispered words
Lost beyond slanting framework and grimy
Walls. Cobwebs and feathers fly off with gust.
Floating. The slight, cloaked girl huddled, clutching
The plum, white bantam to her chest with care.
Rough hair tangled upon face and smudged cheeks.
Heavily first drops fell, turning rich brown
The desiccated soil. Soaking down.

Karlee Taylor

From the Principal Cont

The Charter for Salesian schools is as simple as it is profound; Xavier College is called to be: a home that welcomes; a parish that evangelises; a school that prepares for life; a playground where friends meet. These metaphors are intended to reflect an environment where young people are nurtured to be resilient adults. This means to understand that success in life will certainly be measured by how well we use and developed those God given gifts that were spoken of in our opening reading. But, to also understand that deep centred spiritual yearnings are part of the human condition and give rise to a better appreciation of the reality that living is a relational experience. If this inspires them to devote their passion and energy to enabling people to achieve great things, then they will be healthy in mind and spirit, able to endure any hardships that they confront in life and to truly appreciate the successes.

Mr Lynn Martin
Principal

XAVIER COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY

A new Uniform Policy has been approved by the College Board and will be phased into use from the beginning of 2005. Most notably a College blazer, school tie and monogrammed short-sleeve shirt will be included as part of the College uniform. All Year 8 students will be required to meet all requirements from the beginning of the 2005 school year. For all other students the College blazer, school tie and monogrammed short-sleeve shirt will be optional, however the uniform must be worn correctly at all times.

Please note, that all students at the College must have a full College PE Uniform at the beginning of the school year. A rugby top will also become available as an optional item to purchase from the Uniform Shop early in 2005. This will not replace the normal school jumper, but will form an accepted part of the PE Uniform.

The Uniform Shop is currently taking orders for the new garments (please refer to the Uniform Shop opening times published earlier in the newsletter).
**Xavier College 2004 Yearbook**

Special 10th Anniversary Edition of the College Magazine. Features the highlights of the 2004 school year, as well as photographs and articles that delve back into the history of the College. We reflect on the life and great vision of Fr Dennis Handley, founding Principal of Xavier College.

All the major events of the year will be covered, including Sports Day, Yr 8 Camp, Xavier Day, year 12 formal, retreat and graduation, just to name a few!

There will only be one 10th Anniversary, make sure you have a copy of this special edition yearbook.

If you wish to purchase a copy, you are invited to pre order this year. The cost will be $36, which will include 100 pages of photos and articles. (including 12 great colour pages!) Limited copies, guarantee yours now!

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NAME: ...........................................TUTOR GROUP: ...........................................
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I would like to order 1 copy of the 2004 Xavier College Magazine. I have enclosed my payment of $36. (Payable at the bookroom)

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Amy Earl and Ashleigh Wardle at work in the kitchen.

Alden Pascua, Josh Halls and Louis Nikolic slaving over a hot stove!

Guests enjoying the final product and setting.
**TUITION FEES - 2005**

**PAYMENT TERMS**
Unless an alternative arrangement has been made with the school or fees are being paid by direct debit, fee accounts for each Term are due and payable by the end of Week 4 of the Term. If you are experiencing difficulties with payment, please contact the College Administration - 85214529.

**PAYMENT METHODS**
Eftpos, Cash, Cheque Money Order or Credit Card
Direct Debit of a nominated bank account on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. For further information regarding this payment method, please contact the College Administration.

**SCHOOL CARD**
A substantial reduction in fees is available to School Card recipients (Refer table below). For further details, please contact the College Administration.

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| 2 students                | 8 & 9      | 8 & 10     | 9 & 10     | 8 & 11     | 8 & 12     |
| Fee per annum             | 2,552      | $ 2,552    | $ 2,552    | 2,664      | $ 2,664    |
| Fee per Term              | $ 638      | $ 638      | $ 638      | $ 666      | $ 666      |

| 2 students                | 9 & 11     | 9 & 12     | 10 & 11    | 10 & 12    | 11 & 12    |
| Fee per annum             | 2,664      | $ 2,664    | $ 2,664    | 2,664      | $ 2,720    |
| Fee per Term              | $ 666      | $ 666      | $ 666      | $ 666      | $ 680      |

3 or more students
There is no Tuition Fee charge for the 3rd or subsequent child.
Subject Achievement medals – Year 12 - 2004

Subject Achievement medals were presented at the Year 12 Graduation Assembly on Friday October 29th. There is one medal awarded in each of the Year 12 subjects studied by Year 12 students. The medal goes to the student who has proven, over the course of the year, to be the most outstanding student in that subject.

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Robyn Williamson

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Vincent Brown
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Caitlin Hennessy
Rebecca Pierotti
Amy Songer
Kimberley Tauchnitz
Natalie Whittaker

Polding Year 10’s
Samantha Kondraciuk
Heather Lee
Courtenay Trainor

Polding Year 11’s
Lauren Calandro
Prue Gale-Cairns
Hannah Murdoch
Kassie Pogas

Polding Year 12’s
Lauren Barker
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MacKillop Year 8’s
Cassie Bolland
Becky Couzner
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Jessica James
Brett Lange
Kia-Lee Llewellyn
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MacKillop Year 9’s
Rebecca Butcher
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