



# ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE NEWS

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Educating Young Men and Women Since 1873

## Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 8 of Term 2.

Last week, I had the pleasure of being in the audience when the TASC Drama class performed their mid-year exam. The students presented the comedic drama *You Still Here?* by Playwright Patricia Cornelius, which explores what life is like for youth in Tasmania and challenges the belief that they have to leave to be successful.

This theme could be further explored in a future newsletter, however, for this week I want to focus on the joy and benefits of embracing the College's Performing and Visual Arts program. This is certainly at the forefront of my mind at the moment, due to current discussions regarding the 2023 Production, which will be announced later in the year.

I am certainly in awe of performers who can deliver a 5 - 10 minute monologue; artists who use their imagination and talent to produce amazing, creative works; or musicians who can play a solo and then a vital note in the ensemble. These are opportunities that the students avail themselves of while at St Patrick's College.

The Creative Arts contribute to the fabric of the College and cultural, visual, performing and musical co-curricular programs all play a vital role in creating opportunities for our students that extend well beyond their years at the College.

One such opportunity is the Bay of Fires Youth Art Prize competition. Coordinated by Mrs Jill Crawford, many of our students enter this competition every year and achieve excellent praise for their entries. More details about them are included later in the newsletter.

Students also have the opportunity to join the Art and Drama Clubs, where they are able to participate in a non-assessed, fun environment after school.

Another activity students have excelled in this year is Debating. Our senior team won the Parliamentary Shield, while the Year 10 team will compete in the final next week of the Senior Division of the Northern Junior Debating Round. I wish them all the best in this competition.

At St Patrick's College, we are blessed with so many teachers who are leaders in their chosen artistic field and motivated to teach our students the very disciplines that they themselves excel in. They provide unique experiences for students to learn and grow, and for this, we are truly thankful.

God Bless.

Mr Tony Daley  
Principal





Our mission is to be a school of faith, learning, respect and service in the Catholic tradition.

## OUR VALUES

### Social Justice:

We value a school where we grow in awareness and respond to the needs of others in a spirit of service.

## REFLECTION

"Never bend your head.  
Hold it high. Look the world  
straight in the eye."  
Helen Keller

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JUNE

- 24-28 TASC Mid-year Exams
- 27 NSATIS Badminton Final
- 27-1 Year 10 Camps
- 28 All Schools Cross Country
- 28 Children's Theatre, Croagh Patrick, 6:00pm – 7:30pm
- 29-1 AY11 Base Camp

### JULY

- 2 SATIS Football Grand Finals
- 3-5 Senior Dance Mid-year Exams
- 3-10 NAIDOC Week
- 4-6 Year 10 Camps
- 5 Friends of Music, A2 Music Room, 7:00pm
- 6 Hospitality Showcase Excursion Year 10
- 6 Future Sounds Student Showcase 2 ft Scott Darlow, Guilford Theatre, 7:00pm
- 7 Year 10 Futures Day
- 8 **Term 2 Ends**
- 25 Staff Spirituality Day, Student-free Day. Front Office Closed
- 25 Parent Teacher Evening, 3.30pm-8.00pm Main Campus
- 26 **Term 3 Commences**

## COLLEGE APP UPDATE

The St Patrick's College app has recently been updated and has a range of performance, design and feature improvements. Parents can now access an improved absence notification form, view continuous feedback and manage notifications.

## Schoolbox Help for Parents/Guardians

If you require assistance with the Schoolbox login process, in the first instance please visit the **Parent Help Centre** on our website or contact us by phone on 03 6341 9988 or email [contact@stpatricks.tas.edu.au](mailto:contact@stpatricks.tas.edu.au)

## Has your email address changed?

If your email address has changed recently, please advise the College as soon as possible. Please call the College on 6341 9988 or email [registrar@stpatricks.tas.edu.au](mailto:registrar@stpatricks.tas.edu.au)

## The Catholic Standard

The Catholic Standard is the official print publication of the Catholic Church in Tasmania. Produced monthly, the Catholic Standard reports on local, national, and international issues of importance to the Catholic Church and community.

### View the Latest Issue Online

<https://en.calameo.com/read/0026287800547c8eafb29>

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Best of luck to Rowan Sharpe and Matilda Bonner, who have been selected by the Northern Tasmanian Junior Soccer Association Soccer in the male and female Under 14 teams. They will compete in the Kanga Cup in Canberra in early July.



Following Dylan Samphier's win in the State U18 Lawn bowls singles in January, this week he has been competing in the Australian Open Lawn Bowls in Queensland. Well done, Dylan!



Ethan Arnott has been selected to play in the state Under 15 Indoor Cricket team which is travelling to Melbourne to compete in the National Carnival. Best of luck, Ethan!





## LEARNING AND ACHIEVEMENT

*By Mrs Alanna Stretton, Deputy Principal - Learning & Achievement*

### NAPLAN

NAPLAN tests were conducted for Year 7 and 9 students earlier this term. Many thanks to the Middle School Curriculum Director Miss Deb Cottle and Croagh Patrick Curriculum Director Ms Sally Angus for their leadership of these tests. A great deal of preparation was required this year to support online NAPLAN testing. The efficiency of the team managing the ICT delivery of this ensured NAPLAN testing ran smoothly at St Patrick's College.

### MID-YEAR EXAMINATIONS – YEARS 10, 11 & 12

Senior students, Years 10, 11 and 12 are currently undertaking their Mid-year Examinations. The Mid-year Examinations are an important aspect of Senior School learning. These examinations are vital in the preparation for the TASC end-of-year examinations as they enable students to learn study skills, time management skills and consolidate their learning, and reflect upon the areas which need to be further developed before the end of the year.

### MID-YEAR REPORT AND PARENT/STUDENT/TEACHER EVENING

Parents and students will receive a formal Mid-year Report in the last week of Term 2. The report format will include indicators against the Strands for Australian Curriculum subjects (Years 7 – 10), criterion ratings for TASC courses and Competency Ratings for Vocational Education courses. Attitude and Engagement to Learning have been removed from reports this year, and teachers are providing ratings on these each term on Schoolbox instead.

Teaching staff continue to provide online feedback throughout the term via Schoolbox and parents are encouraged to regularly look on Schoolbox to check their child's progress. If you are unable to access Schoolbox, please contact the College.

Students receive a Pastoral Report from their Tutors as part of the Mid-year Reporting process. Parent/Student/Teacher interviews will be held on Monday 25 July from 3.30 – 8.00pm (the first day of Term 3). These interviews will be held face-to-face at the College. Information regarding booking appointments is provided on page 4.

On Monday 25 July, staff will be participating in a spirituality day prior to students returning on Tuesday 26 July.

### PATHWAYS PLANNING AND SUBJECT SELECTIONS FOR 2023

#### Subject Information Evenings

In Week 4 of Term 3, the College is holding Subject Information Sessions to assist students in making informed subject selections for 2023. All students and parents are strongly encouraged to attend these information evenings

as it is an important part in the process of ensuring students select the most appropriate subjects to study in 2023. This is a wonderful opportunity to speak to subject Teachers and Heads of Learning. The Senior School Subject Information Evening is being held on Tuesday 16 August and the Croagh Patrick and Middle School Subject Information Evenings will be held on Thursday 18 August. We look forward to seeing you at the Information Evenings and more information will be provided closer to the evenings.

#### Year 10 Futures Day

Year 10 students also participate in a Futures Day on Thursday 7 July, the last week of Term 2. Futures Day is an opportunity for students to gather information to make informed decisions about school subjects, courses and careers in readiness for Year 11 subject selection. The day will include an interactive mini-expo where students have the opportunity to ask individual questions of staff and representatives from various education and training institutions, industry representatives and the Australian Defence Force. UTAS will also have student ambassadors from various faculties with interactive displays. The afternoon is dedicated to introducing students to the variety of Tasmanian Assessment, Standards and Certification (TASC) and Vocational Education and Training (VET) subjects offered in Years 11 and 12.

#### Year 10 Pathway Planning Interviews

The College will be inviting all Year 10 students and parents/guardians to make an appointment to attend a Year 10 Pathway Planning interview with their child. These interviews provide an opportunity to discuss career options and possible pathways, give a more detailed and personalised explanation of the Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE) and Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) and how each student can optimise their subject choices, including TASC subject choices and VET opportunities in Years 11 and 12. These interviews occur over the first three weeks of Term 3 in the lead-up to the Senior School Subject Information Session in Week 4 of Term 3. Parents/guardians will receive more information before the end of term about booking an interview time. You only need to book one appointment, as each staff member involved covers the same information.

#### Year 11 Pathway Planning Interviews

Year 11 students and parents/guardians will also be invited to make an appointment to attend a Year 11 Pathway Planning interview, either with their child after school or for Year 11 students on their own during the school day. These interviews are designed for Year 11 students who need some support and guidance with their subject selections.



## PTO BOOKING INFORMATION

As we come to the end of Term 2, we are preparing for our next formal Parent/Student/Teacher Evening which will be held at the College on Monday 25 July from 3.30pm until 8.00pm. Parents and guardians can use the feedback and assessments recorded on Schoolbox as a guide as to whether you need to book an interview.

Interviews can be booked online using the online booking system PTO from 7.00am Friday 8 July until midnight Saturday 23 July.

**Login details will be emailed to parents on Tuesday 28 June, but please note that you will not be able to login prior to 7.00am Friday 8 July.**

### PTO Website

The PTO website portal is available by clicking on or typing the following link in your web browser: <https://bookings.parentteacheronline.com.au?school=aprmz>

### PTO App

Bookings can also be made by using the PTO Mobile App. The app can be downloaded on the Apple App Store and Google Play Store.

**Find St Patrick's College using the code: aprmz**

### Assistance

If you encounter any problems using either the PTO website or app, please contact us at the College by emailing [contact@stpatricks.tas.edu.au](mailto:contact@stpatricks.tas.edu.au)

### PTO BOOKINGS OPEN

Friday 8 July at 7:00am

### PTO BOOKINGS CLOSE

Saturday 23 July at Midnight



## FOUNDERS' DAY RAFFLE APPEAL

*By Ms Kate Rockliffe, Director of Catholic Identity & Mission*

"Every rock, every leaf, every insect has something beautiful, nay, wonderful to tell.. tending to raise the mind to higher and nobler conceptions of what creation does to declare the glory of its author."  
– Fr Julian Tenison Woods

In the past 12 years, St Patrick's College has raised over \$123,000 for students in need throughout the world and on our own shores through our annual Founders' Day raffle appeal.

This year our fundraising efforts are focused on the values of social justice, stewardship and sustainability in the spirit of our nominated Founder for 2022, Fr Julian Tenison Woods. Tenison Woods' had a passion for

Catholic education, a commitment to the natural environment, and a strong admiration for the culture, practices and knowledge of our First Nations people. We are raising awareness and funds for three organisations which share similar guiding values and principles: the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, St Joseph's School Solar Panel Project, and Tamar Natural Resource Management educational programs, including 'Source to Sea'.

We are seeking the support of the St Patrick's College community for this initiative through the sponsorship of prizes, especially those community members who own or are involved in a business. Each St Patrick's College family who donates prizes

will receive acknowledgement of their contribution via social media platforms, as well as the school's website and newsletter, reaching the families of over 1500 students as well as the public.

We aim to finalise prizes by Thursday 4 July 2022. If you are able to provide a prize or discounted supply of goods or services, please contact Ms Nerida Green, Mission and Outreach Assistant, via email at [ngreen@stpatricks.tas.edu.au](mailto:ngreen@stpatricks.tas.edu.au).

Thank you in anticipation for your support for the Founders' Day Raffle Appeal.



## BAY OF FIRES YOUTH ART PRIZE 2022

By Mrs Jill Crawford, Art Teacher

Year 9 Art students start their year exploring a range of acrylic paint techniques and studying the works of 'Glover Art Prize' finalists. We then turn our attention to looking at the 'Bay of Fires Art Prize'. As there is a youth prize associated with the major prize, we take advantage of this opportunity and use it as our culminating performance by having all students submit a work to be exhibited. Over 340 entries were submitted this year from across Tasmania and the mainland. Our students were entered in the Year 9-12 category and I'm glad to share that we experienced considerable success. Well done to all students for meeting the deadline. You can all be very proud of what you achieved.

### FINALISTS

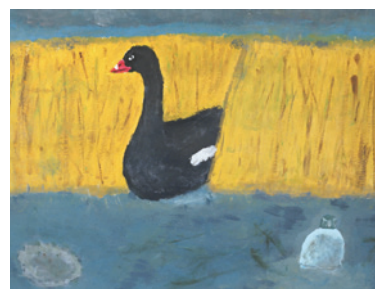
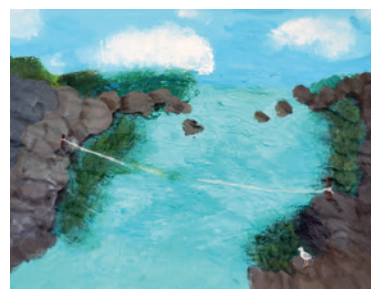
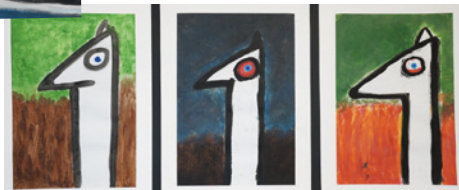
Olivia Logan  
Ashmitha Hendavitharana  
Mia Kay  
Brigid Connors  
Andrew Kingston  
Jasmine Cunningham

### AWARD WINNERS

Annabel Davis	Highly Commended
Allegra Surrall	Highly Commended
Emily Rogers	Emerging Artist
Harry Mckillop	Emerging Artist
Abbie Kingston	Indigenous Connections
Ruby Karas	People's Choice
	Secondary - 2nd Place

### PRIZE WINNERS

Ioan Hardy	Years 9-12 – 1st Place
Alfie Curtis	Years 9-12 – 2nd Place





# You Still Here?



Well done to our TASC 3 Performance students, who have entertained audiences with their mid-year examination work *You Still Here?*

Playwright Patricia Cornelius has explored what it's like for youth living in Tasmania. The desire, pressure and uncertainty of feeling drawn to the mainland. It looks at dreams, at the curse of history and explores the feeling of uncertainty in the future.

It was wonderful to see strong ensemble and solo performances. Well done to all performers and a special note of thanks to the tech crew: Amelia Bayes, Cameron Rae and Mr Harrison Mills.





## FUTURE PATHWAYS

*By Ms Jodie White, Future Pathways Coordinator*

### YEAR 10 FUTURES DAY

On Thursday 7 July, all Year 10 students will participate in the compulsory Futures Day. The main focus of the day is informing students about subjects offered in Years 11 and 12 and familiarising them with terminologies such as:

- Tasmanian Assessment, Standards and Certification (TASC)
- Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE)
- Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)
- Vocational Education and Training (VET)

Including prerequisite subjects for university and vocational pathways, apprenticeships, traineeships and Australian School-based Apprenticeships (ASbA).

The day will be fun, interactive and informative, consisting of guest speakers, subject information sessions and a mini-expo.

The mini-expo provides students with the opportunity to gather information and explore the various pathways and options available to them such as university, apprenticeships, work, VET and a gap year. A great range of organisations will be attending with displays, simulators and activities planned.

The organisations attending are:

- UTAS – a number of faculties represented along with interactive activities
- Australian Maritime College (AMC)
- TasTAFE – a number of faculties and course areas represented
- Australian Defence Force
- Tasmania Fire Service
- Arbre Hub Forestry Tasmania
- Hydro Tas
- Tasmanian Hospitality Association
- TasBGAS – Tasmanian Building Group Apprenticeship Scheme
- TACC – Tasmanian Automobile Association
- Mas National – apprenticeships, traineeships and ASbA
- Windeward Bound – youth and leadership sailing programs
- Royal Flying Doctors Australia
- Programmed Training Services
- Fairbrother

The Year 10 Futures Day is an opportunity for students to start to think, plan and ask questions as they prepare to make important decisions about their subject choices for Year 11 and 12.

### AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY – APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Australia's only military university, UNSW Canberra at the Australian Defence Force Academy, is now open for 2023 applications. Students are sure to be interested in world-class university education that:

- teaches management and leadership skills,
- pays a salary while they study for their degrees, and
- guarantees a job on graduation with no HELP debt.

Students will benefit from all that and more at the Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra.

Visit the Australian Defence Force Academy page for further information at:

<https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/students-and-education/australian-defence-force-academy>

### UTAS SCHOOL LEAVER EXPO – SATURDAY 2 JULY

10:00AM – 2:00PM at Inveresk

Register for the UTAS School Leaver Expo and to receive a merch pack on the day. You'll also go into the draw to win a Mac Book Air! [www.utas.edu.au/school-leaver-expo](http://www.utas.edu.au/school-leaver-expo)

UTAS 2023 Applications through the School Recommendation Program open on Thursday 30 June.

Further information and UTAS Course Guide: <https://www.utas.edu.au/study/schools-recommendation-program>



## FUTURE PATHWAYS EVENTS CALENDAR

### TERM 2

30 June	UTAS 2023 Applications Open	
30 June	Mainland University Information Session	Lunchtime
1 July	UCAT Testing Commences	
2 July	UTAS School Leaver Expo Launceston	Inveresk Library 10:00am – 2:00pm
5 July	UTAS School Recommendation Program Application Session	Lunchtime
7 July	Year 10 Futures Day	All Day

### TERM 3

26 July – 11 August	Year 10 Pathway Planning Interviews	Day/Evening
1 August	UTAS SRP Main Round Applications Close	
1 August	Mainland University Applications Open	
1 – 11 August	Year 11 Pathway Planning Interviews	Day/Evening
TBC	University of Melbourne – Newman College Session	Lunchtime
12 August	UCAT Testing Finishes	
16 August	Senior School Subject Information Evening	Evening
25-26 August	UTAS SRP Main Round Offers released	All day
TBC	UTAS Info Session – Scholarships and Accommodation	Lunchtime
11 September	UTAS Open Day Hobart	Hobart – All Day
25 September	UTAS Open Day Launceston	Launceston – All Day



## CO-CURRICULAR MUSIC UPDATE

By Ms Fiona Mowat, Instrumental Music Coordinator

Last Saturday 18 June, the St Patrick's College Big Band performed at the Wiggling It Benefit Gala, held at the Country Club Tasmania. The Gala was organised by a College parent, Mrs Hayley Luttrell, to raise money for the purchase of hair wigs for Launceston women undergoing cancer treatment and the event raised \$50,000 for this wonderful cause. The Big Band members dressed for the occasion with formal ball attire and enjoyed every moment of it.

Images courtesy of Mr Rod Thompson







## 2022 DEBATING

By Alexander Smith, Debating Captain

*"It is better to debate a question without settling it than to settle a question without debate."*

Joseph Joubert

These words aptly summarise why we engage in debating. This year, our College entered four junior sides and one senior team into the various debating rosters and competitions.

The Seniors started their regular-season roster with a handful of changes after the successes of last season. From the hunter, we became the hunted, and began our season in March, knowing we'd have to work as hard as last year if we wanted to taste success.

Senior debates are impromptu, meaning that we do not know the topic of our debate until an hour beforehand. When entering the preparation room, we are allowed up to three resources and last year, the team leant on creative writing skills to formulate matter. This year we collated our own factbook - A Compendium of Facts, Statistics and Data. Throughout the remainder of the season, the 40,000 word compendium, compiled over a series of intense days, enabled

us to easily navigate challenging topics, so the data that we did provide was backed up with relevant statistics and information.

After we finished second in the regular season, our attention turned to the annual Parliamentary Shield contest. This contest is an annual contest sponsored by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Debating Association, which this year was held here at St Patrick's College. We easily qualified for the final, winning two out of a possible three debates, but faced a rematch of last year's year against Scotch: it would be one of the hardest debates we'd ever participated in.

Our topic for the final was "That gambling advertising should be banned". We argued in favour of this motion; it was a close debate with both teams arguing strongly, but, after a nervous deliberation, St Patrick's College was again awarded the win, our first back-to-back Parliamentary Shield title since 1991. At the invitation of the Deputy Premier, Mr Michael Ferguson, our team will now travel to Parliament House in Hobart to witness a legislative debate and enjoy lunch with our State politicians.

Although there are no official debating awards, I would personally like to commend Kit Johnson for his efforts and resilience this season. Kit's journey with debating started as a fill-in three years ago and his final debate was a testament to his determination and endeavour to always succeed and do better. Gabriella Smith (Year 10) stepped up on numerous occasions when we needed an extra team member, and we thank her for her commitments to both junior and senior debating.

The juniors, too, have competed in many close debates and thrilling arguments. With many first-time debaters performing strongly, the future of our College's arguers is in safe hands.

The real winner this year was not St Patrick's College – nor any other school – it was debating itself. But debating could not happen without the efforts of Mr Joshua Martin and Miss Shanelle Spencer, who have worked tirelessly to round up members, organise rosters and make everything work out well for us. Thank you for your time. It is much appreciated.







## SPORTS REPORT

By Mr Craig Boon, Sports Coordinator

### BADMINTON

#### 1sts NSATIS Grand Final - Monday 27 June

Congratulations to our Badminton 1sts who have made the NSATIS Grand Final to be held at Scotch Oakburn College at 4:30pm on Monday. The team will be looking to defend their 2021 title. A win would be just our third in the last 16 years.

Thanks to Ms Cath McQuie and Mr Troy Ridgway for all their work this year with the 1sts and the 2nds who, unfortunately, bowed out after finishing on top of the regular rounds but lost their semi-final last Monday.



### FOOTBALL

#### SATIS State Grand Final Day - Saturday 2 July

Put this one in your diary. There will be a BBQ, coffee van and plenty of great footy action from some of the best young players in the state.

#### Boys 2nds – 10:30am - 12:15pm

St Patrick's College vs The Hutchins School

#### Girls 1sts – 12:30pm - 1:55pm

Scotch Oakburn College vs Guilford Young College

#### Boys 1sts – 2:10pm-3:55pm

St Patrick's College vs Guilford Young College



## 2ND XVIII BOYS FOOTBALL RESULTS

### ROUND 6

St Patrick's College 2nd XVIII 14.8.92 defeated Hutchins 5.8.38

**Goals:** Goals: Connor Wiggins 3, Lachie Shea 3, Brock Whitchurch 3, Lucas Sullivan 2, Seth Pfeiffer 1, Abdu Beshir 1, Xavier Barker 1.

**Best:** Tom Dwyer, Lucas Sullivan, Lenny Faulkner, Lachie Shea, Seth Pfeiffer, Will Fox, Lachie Colgrave, Hamish Bateman, Clark Williams

SATURDAY 18 JUNE





## YEAR 9 SPORTS GALA DAY

Yesterday we hosted Sacred Heart College and The Friends' School in various sports for our annual Year 9 Gala Sports Day. Despite my optimistic outlook about the weather, we still managed to get all the games completed and our visitors, students and staff, enjoyed themselves.

Friends were very strong in girls' footy and Sacred Heart impressively won all three boys' basketball games and both girls' soccer games. In the first of the boys' soccer games, Sacred Heart won comfortably but it was a tighter match in the second game.

SHC beat our girls in the first basketball match but the second game held in front of a big lunchtime crowd was a ripper with a come-from-behind victory by our girls. Paige O'Neill showed her sublime skills and all her teammates played well too.

It was great to see Old Collegians Harri Arnold and Hayden Neu back here refereeing the games and the boys provided their own highlights by dropping some long-range three-point shots during breaks in play.





# SPC'S FUTURE SOUNDS



## STUDENT SHOWCASE 2

FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST  
**SCOTT DARLOW**

SPC'S BEST CONTEMPORARY MUSICIANS

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**GOLD COIN  
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7:00PM

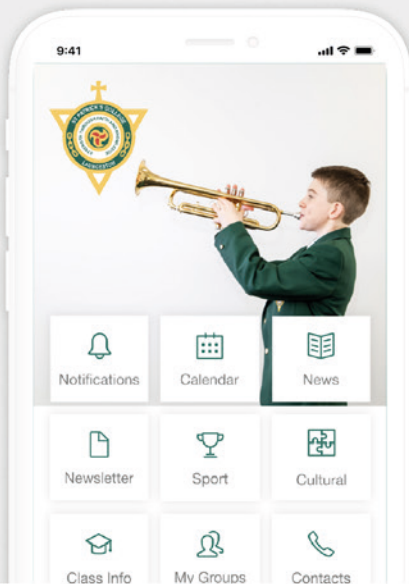
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Notification Settings



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