

John Paul International Newsletter

Edition 3 – June 2010



From the Director

We are very pleased to announce that John Paul College is taking part in the pilot of a national after-hours **Student Assistant Hotline** that will allow overseas students in Australia access to personal after-hours support regardless of whether they are on or off campus.

This is a first for the international education sector in Australia, and ten Australian educational institutions are participating including John Paul College.

Mondial Assistance will provide the professional call centre support based on John Paul College's protocols, which ensures that students are quickly linked into the support service they need whether that is practical, personal or medical-related.

The specific and dedicated number that our international students can call after hours, at night or on the weekends is **1800 024 157**. This is a free call from landlines anywhere in Australia and standard call rates will apply from mobile phones.

For the homestay family, in the case of an emergency/critical incident, the procedure remains as per the Homestay Orientation Booklet.

For any queries regarding homestay or our support service, please contact Diana Robertson during business hours on 3826 3478 between 8am and 4.30pm. **Please note:** After this time the phone will be redirected to the 1800 Student Assistant Hotline.

Russell Welch
Director

Dates to Note

Mon 14 Jun	Queen's Birthday Holiday	Mon 12 Jul	New student testing (JPIC)
Fri 18 Jun	Term 2 ends (JPC & JPIC)	Mon 12 Jul	Term 3 commences (JPC)
Fri 9 Jul	New student testing (JPIC)	Tue 13 Jul	Term 3 commences (JPIC)

Head of Campus

As another busy term draws closer, I'm sure both students and parents are looking forward to a well earned break. The reports that are the culmination of students' hard work this term will be on line for the students viewing in the first week of the holidays.

I would like to remind homestay families that while considering supervision appropriate to the age and maturity of the student, the issue of safety must be paramount. I seek your support in providing this safe and caring environment for our students. Please ensure that students keep you informed of their movements, especially those under 18. If staying overnight at another residence please ensure they are with a responsible adult in a place you are comfortable with and you have spoken to the family that they will be spending time with.

As the term concludes, John Paul International College and John Paul College students are going on vacation. The College is preparing for the start of the Study Tour season, commencing mid June. I would like to extend a special thank you to the homestay families who are welcoming these students into their homes for the upcoming weeks. Term 3 is shaping up to be a very busy term as we have the JPIC Expo and a number of short term Study Tour groups visiting in July and August. Therefore, I trust that you all have a refreshing break in the lead up to Term 3.

Finally, I would like to reiterate our expectations with respect to grooming and presentation and repeated below is the content of a letter recently distributed to our students, homestay parents and guardians.

"I am dismayed that the standard of grooming and presentation of some of our students falls below expectations.

In respect of grooming, students' hair styles and presentation should be neat, sensible and conservative in nature.

Girls' hair should be worn off the face and hair longer than the collar should be swept back, neatly, tightly and formed into a 'pony-tail' or plait at the back of the head, secured by burgundy ribbon, headband or scrunchie. As such, the wearing of hair loosely piled on the top of the head or in a bun of any form, is unacceptable. So too is the wearing of unfettered strands of hair on either side of the face. These must be secured with the application of bobby pins. Fringes should be clear of eyebrows.

Hair accessories must be purchased from the College Retail Centre to ensure consistency.

Boys' hair must be trimmed at reasonably frequent intervals, and must not be grown below the level of the collar, eyebrows or top of the ear. The volume of hair should be a consideration and must not impede the correct wearing of the academic uniform hat.

*Bleaching of hair is unacceptable, as is the use of gel, mousse or other substances that are clearly visible. Hair treatment must reflect the **natural** colour of a student's hair.*

The wearing of make-up continues to be prohibited. Clear nail polish may be worn.

Students who do not follow these directions, with total effect from Friday, 21 May, will face sanction and imposition, including a possible visit to the office of the Headmaster to explain why they feel they should be exempt from these expectations.

Should you have any concerns about this matter please do not hesitate to contact me."

Thank you for your ongoing support in this area.

Christopher Pietrobon
Head of Campus

From the Director of Studies

Academic life at JPIC has been busy. This term, JPIC has shifted to a continuous assessment approach. This has meant that every piece of work the students complete is assessable. Also, class activities and homework are assessable. This continuous assessment has reduced the pressure of the mid-term exams. We have really seen some good quality work through this continuous assessment approach and look forward to more good results in future.

Now that we have passed the middle of the term, Mid-term reports have been produced for each child. These reports were given to the students but are also available online through the Parent Portal. With a username and password, you can access these reports in the Report Archive. The office can assist you with any problems you might have.

In previous newsletters, we have mentioned the Certificate III and the opportunities it gives students. Many students are currently undertaking this course alongside their English language study. I am encouraged to report on the success of this certificate. We have seen many students successfully complete it and receive their nationally recognised qualification. This certificate study has also received high praise from JPC, with reports of strong English skills from those students transitioning into JPC.

We look forward to the end of this term and seeing students successfully graduating into JPC and JPIC's Certificate IV course.

Michael Bos
Director of Studies

WITHDRAWALS – REMINDER

If a student intends to withdraw from the College (for any reason), please note that written notification is required, *addressed to the Recruitment Manager, John Paul International*. May I also remind you that one term's written notice is required prior to withdrawing. In the absence of this notice, the following term's fees will be charged.

Notice Date: By 12th July 2010 (at the latest) for withdrawal on or after 17th September 2010.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further clarification, either at the International Services Centre, Bradley Building, or by email at jpic@jpc.qld.edu.au.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Karen Milburn
Recruitment Manager

Study Tour Homestay

We are hosting a study tour group in July and August and are looking for a homestay for a Chinese teacher from Yangjing Juyuan Experimental School in Shanghai for 6 weeks from 3 July to 14 Aug. We are paying \$45.00 per night each which includes three meals.

If you can possibly help, please contact our Study Tour Co-ordinator, Carole Wilson by phone on 3826 3474 or by email, studytour@jpc.qld.edu.au.

JPC Alumni named as part of South Korean World Cup Squad

With the announcement of the World Cup teams this week including the Soccerroos, two John Paul College Alumni have been named as part of the South Korean World Cup squad.

Sung Yong (David) Ki has been selected to play for South Korea and Jun Seob Song (Year 12 2007), has been selected as part of the support staff as an assistant trainer and interpreter for physical trainer Raymond Verheijen. We have included some photos of Jun Seob hard at work.

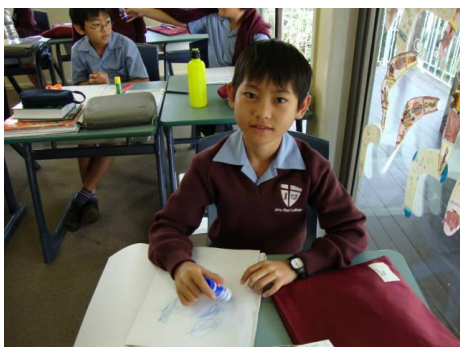
We are sure there is more of a reason to stay up late and watch some Football in June and July.



Student Profile

Nam Hoang Vo is one of our twelve Primary Preparation students at John Paul International College. He comes from Vietnam and is staying with an Australian Homestay family. His homestay brothers, Ryan and Sean take turns meeting him after school, ensuring that he gets home safely.

Nam has made many friends and loves to play games with them during our morning tea and lunch breaks. Nam tries hard to learn English and is beginning to make attempts at speaking a few words and phrases. He even attempts singing the John Paul College school song with the rest of the class. Nam's handwriting is always very neatly presented in his exercise books. He is beginning to read some take home class readers. He read one called "Baked Beans" but his homestay Mum commented that Nam wasn't too keen on eating them!!



Nam (Hoang) Vo



L-R: Shirley (Kim Han) Nguyen, David (Nghia Hieu) Tran, Nam (Hoang) Vo, Riko Soeda



John Paul International College Term Dates 2010

TERM 2, 2010

Tuesday 13 April – Friday 18 June
New students will be tested on 12 April

TERM 3, 2010

Tuesday 13 July – Friday 17 September
New students will be tested on 9 & 12 July

TERM 4, 2010

Monday 4 October – Friday 3 December
New students will be tested on 1 October

Please note the above, and that John Paul International College term dates may differ from John Paul College. Students must be present on the last day of term at John Paul International College and must return for the first day of the new term, if travelling overseas.

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TERM 2, 2010

Monday 12 April – Friday 18 June

TERM 3, 2010

Monday 12 July – Friday 17 September

TERM 4, 2010

Monday 4 October – Friday 26 November

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NEW!! International Student Assistance Hotline (at night or on weekends) – 1800 024 157

