

Parent Information Handbook 2024



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Principal's Welcome



Peter Houlihan
"Principal"

To all our new members of the De La Salle College Community, welcome to your new school.

Thank you for choosing De La Salle College, a Catholic school for boys in the Lasallian tradition.

I am writing to extend a formal greeting and to welcome you to our wonderful school. All of us at De La Salle, teaching and non-teaching staff, the student leaders and all students in Years 5 – 12 are glad to see your son here and we are all working together to make his transition from Primary School or his current Secondary School as easy as possible.

This Parent Handbook provides all the information new students and their families need for the first day. All aspects of beginning at a new school are covered, with dates and information about key events.

Each young man who comes to our school has his own unique talents, gifts and strengths and your son is no different. We believe in him and want to encourage him to find his strengths and use them to the best of his ability.

Our College values academic effort and achievement and we expect your son to approach all tasks with a positive attitude and a determination to achieve his personal best. Students will always be supported when they try to do their best in all they do.

Our collective emphasis is on producing quality young men, supporting their academic progress, wellbeing and spirituality to enable them to become the best version of themselves.

Once again, welcome to our great school. I'm sure your son will have a tremendous time with us.

We encourage students to make the most of their time because trust me – when they graduate, they will look back and wonder how those years went by so quickly. They will leave us at that time as a proud Old Collegian with great memories, great achievements and great friends for life.

Peter Houlihan
Principal

Key Information

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Term 2024 Dates

TERM 1	Wednesday 31 January – Thursday 28 March Wednesday 31 January – Years 5, 6, 7, 9 and 12 students commence
TERM 2	Thursday 1 February – All students commence
TERM 3	Tuesday 16 April – Friday 28 June
TERM 4	Wednesday 17 July – Friday 20 September Monday 7 October – Friday 6 December

For more information, please refer to the College website: www.delasalle.vic.edu.au.

Key Dates for Term 1 2024*

Wednesday 31 January	Years 5, 6, 7, 9 and 12 commence New Parent Welcome Morning Tea
Thursday 1 February	All students commence School Photo Day
Friday 2 February	Year 8 Parent Information Evening
Monday 5 February	DLS Athletics Carnival, Lakeside Stadium
Tuesday 6 February	Year 12 VCE Information Session
Wednesday 7 February	Year 7 Parent Information Night and Welcome Evening
Thursday 8 February	Primary Meet and Greet
Friday 9 February	Primary Welcome BBQ
Thursday 15 February	DLS House Invitational Swimming Carnival (Years 5 – 8 compulsory / Years 9 – 12 invitational)
Tuesday 5 March	Opening and Welcome Mass – St Patrick's Cathedral (Mandatory for Year 5 and 7 students)
Thursday 7 March	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews – Online 9:00am – 6:00pm – No Classes
Tuesday 19 March	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews – Online 2:30pm – 8:30pm. All students dismissed at 12:45pm
Monday 25 March	Year 7 Camp
Wed 15 – Fri 17 May	Mission Action Day (Last Day of Term 1)
Thursday 28 March	

For more information, please refer to the College website: www.delasalle.vic.edu.au.

*The College calendar is often fluid, please be aware that some of these dates may change.

School Photo Day Information

Student photos are compulsory for all students.

- School photos will be taken on Friday 2 February 2024
- Catch up day for absent students on Monday 12 February 2024

Years 5 – 7 students must wear their Summer uniform with blazer.

Years 8 – 12 must wear their full Winter uniform with tie and blazer.

This photo is used for your son's library card, as well as providing you with the opportunity to purchase a memento for the school year. Further information will be provided.

Bell Times

Tiverton (Year 5 – 8) and Kinnoull (Year 10 – 12)

First Bell	8.35am
Homeroom	8:40am - 8:55am
Period 1	8:55am - 9:45am
Period 2	9:45am - 10:35am
RECESS	10:35am - 11:00am
Period 3	11:05am - 11:55am
Period 4	11:55am - 12:45pm
LUNCH	12:45pm - 1:30pm
Period 5	1:35pm - 2:25pm
Period 6	2:25pm - 3:05pm / 3:15pm
Tiverton Dismissal	3:05pm
Kinnoull Dismissal	3:15pm

Holy Eucharist (Year 9)

Arrival	8:35am - 8:55am
Period 1	9:00am - 9:50am
Period 2	9:50am - 10:40am
RECESS	10:40am - 11:05am
Period 3	11:10am - 12:00pm
Period 4	12:00pm - 12:50pm
LUNCH	12:50pm - 1:35pm
Period 5	1:40pm - 2:30pm
Period 6	2:30pm - 3:20pm

Monday (only)

Period 5	1:40pm - 2:25pm
Period 6	2:25pm - 3:10pm

Timetable

The College operates on a 10-day cycle which means the timetable for the day will be dependent on the week of the cycle. Students can view their timetable on OLLIE. Please see page 14 for information about OLLIE

Lockers and Locks

All students in Year 5 and 7 will be allocated a locker to hold their bag, books and valuables. For OHS reasons, students are not permitted to bring their bags to class or leave them outside the classrooms. Keeping their personal belongings secure is in their best interests and their responsibility.

Mobile Phones

- Mobile phones are not to be seen or used on the school premises during school hours unless directed by a staff member for a specific purpose.
- It is expected that they are placed in a student's locker during the day, both for personal security and school etiquette.
- If required, parents/guardians/carers can contact students through the College office on 9508 2100.

The expectations around mobile phone use will be clearly explained to students. Please direct any queries regarding mobiles to the relevant Year Level/House Coordinator or Mentor/Class Teacher.

Student ID Cards

Student ID cards are issued at the commencement of the school year. Replacement ID Cards are available from the Tiverton helpdesk for a cost of \$5.00.

Student Printing

Students are allocated a reasonable printing quota each year. Students can monitor their usage through the College's print management software. When the quota has been exceeded, additional credit can be purchased at each campus reception. The minimum top-up amount is \$5.00.

Canteen

Canteen facilities are available on the Tiverton and Kinnoull Campuses. There are no canteen facilities at Holy Eucharist Campus.

Duce Newsletter

The College newsletter, Duce, is emailed to parents every month. Duce is an important link between the College and home. All parents are encouraged to read this.

Parent / Student / Teacher Interviews

Interviews are held twice per year i.e. once per Semester. They will be conducted online, using video conferencing software – Microsoft Teams. Students are required to attend all Parent/Student/Teacher interviews. Further details to follow closer to the time.



The College acknowledges the importance of mental health in adolescents. Our students have access to two psychologists:

Tiverton and Holy Eucharist Campus
Frances Kospetas
fkospetas@delasalle.vic.edu.au

Kinnoul Campus
Anthony Freeman
aafreeman@delasalle.vic.edu.au

Parents/guardians/carers can contact the College Psychologists with any concerns they have and to organise an appointment for their son to see a psychologist. Counselling is confidential as obligated by law and the ethical and professional dictates of their profession. The College Psychologists are bound by the College's Commitment to Child Safety and Wellbeing.

The Health Centre is open Monday – Friday from 8:00am – 3:30pm. It is staffed by highly skilled and experienced First Aiders who effectively meet the healthcare needs of our College community.

My son is unwell:

It is best for students to remain at home if they are clearly unwell in the morning. Students who arrive at school feeling unwell should report to the Health Centre prior to class commencing and parents/guardians/carers or the nominated emergency contact person will be contacted to collect the student, if necessary. Alternatively, students can wait and speak to their Class/House Mentor who will liaise directly with the Health Centre. Students are not permitted to call/text their parents themselves or leave the school without permission.

Medications:

If students require regular prescribed medication to be administered during school hours, parents/guardians/carers are requested to send this to the College in its original packaging, clearly labelled with dosage instructions including expiry date and it will be held at the Health Centre for use under the supervision of the First Aid Officer. A Medical Authority Form signed by a GP is required for the administration of medication onsite. Only Ventolin or similar medication for the relief of asthma are to be carried by the student. No other medication should be in the student's possession.

- All Medical information MUST be updated by parents/guardians/carers via Consent2Go. Parents/guardians/carers can do this at any time by requesting a profile update link through OLLIE. Parents/guardians/carers are also asked to confirm and update medical information every time they are asked for consent to an excursion.

Existing Medical Conditions:

It is a requirement of the College that any student identified as having a medical condition must provide a current Action Management Plan signed by a medical practitioner with a current photo attached. These must be submitted no later than the commencement of the school year.

Immunisations:

The College adheres to the Secondary School Vaccine Program as directed by DFFH. The immunisation date will be provided to you closer to the time.

Contact details:

The First Aid Officer can be contacted on healthcentre@delasalle.vic.edu.au or please contact the College on 9508 2100.

College Libraries

Libraries are located on the Tiverton and Kinnoull Campuses with a small satellite collection at the Holy Eucharist Campus.

Libraries provide a welcoming environment for study, research and reading including current collections of fiction and non-fiction resources for students at each level. There are extensive eResources available on the library website including an electronic encyclopedia, databases and curated resources. Students can access library resources when they are at home or in their classroom. Teacher Librarians work with teachers from Years 5 – 9 to encourage students to develop a love of reading. They work with all subject teachers to assist with research skills and resources.

Library Hours

Tiverton Campus Library	8:00am – 4:00pm daily
Kinnoull Campus Library	8:00am – 6:00pm, Monday to Thursday 8:00am – 5:00pm on Friday

Homework Requirements

The following are a set of expectations for time spent on homework each evening. Homework includes tasks set by the teacher, as well as independent revision and study.

Primary	½ hour or as required per night
Year 7	1 hour minimum per night
Year 8	1½ hours minimum per night
Year 9	1½ hours minimum per night
Year 10	2½ hours minimum per night
Years 11-12	3 hours minimum per night

Parent Network

The De La Salle Parent Network is a vibrant, energetic element of the College community. The Parent Network Committee is a representative group of parents, who meet monthly to plan and organise Parent Network events. All parents are warmly invited to become involved in the various activities throughout the year.

There is a strong social aspect to the Parent Network events aimed to help parents meet other parents and develop a real sense of connection within the College community.

Please email parentnetwork@delasalle.vic.edu.au if you're interested in becoming involved.



When enrolling your son/s at De La Salle College, you are making a commitment to agree to pay all fees associated with the cost of providing an education. Parents/guardians/carers are asked to familiarise themselves with the College Fee Schedule and the College Fee Policy. All incoming families must ensure that they have a payment arrangement in place prior to their son/s commencing at the College.

Families who are experiencing financial difficulty should contact Family Accounts (familyaccounts@delasalle.vic.edu.au) as soon as possible to discuss your situation.

Absences

Parents/guardians/carers must contact the College on (03) 9508 2100 or complete the Absentee Form via the OLLIE app by 9:00am on the day of the student's absence. If absent, parental notice via email is also required for the Class/House Mentor on the day the student is away.

Late arrivals

Where students arrive late, they must sign in using the terminal located at their respective campus reception. Parents/guardians/carers must contact the College via the absentee form on OLLIE to lodge reason for lateness before 9:00am.

Leaving early

Students who need to leave the College during normal school hours must have parental permission in all cases. Parents/guardians/carers must communicate with the Mentor Teacher via email and fill out the absentee form on OLLIE with the time of departure and reason for leaving early prior to the student departing the College. With approval from the Mentor, the student must then obtain an Early Leaver's Pass from their House or Year Level Coordinator. Students are required to present the Early Leaver's Pass at their respective campus reception and sign out before leaving the College grounds.

Extended leaves of absence

The College does not recommend extended absences for holidays during term time. Requests for an extended leave of absence must be made in writing to the relevant Director of Students or Head of Campus (Holy Eucharist).

Any student who has an unexplained absence when a formal assessment is being conducted will not be afforded the opportunity to re-sit.

All students using public transport are expected to travel to and from school in a manner that is both respectful to and mindful of other passengers and befitting of themselves as responsible young adults. A high standard of behaviour is expected of all students as the public image of De La Salle College is reflected in their behaviour.

Students should always stand for full fare paying passengers both as an obligation and out of respect. Care should be taken not to leave bags obstructing passageways and students should be mindful of allowing free access on and off public transport for other commuters.

De La Salle College students are eligible to travel on a Victorian Student Pass myki card. Student IDs can be used as a student travel concession card and students must carry their ID when they travel as proof of entitlement to access concession fares or to buy a student pass.

Excursion / Event Permissions

For a student to attend a scheduled excursion/event, parents/guardians/carers must provide electronic consent via the Consent2Go platform. For each excursion/event an email will be sent to each parent/guardian/carer in advance to provide consent. The email will contain all the relevant details including a description of the event purpose, transport arrangements and other related information. Only one parental consent is required. Unfortunately, permission by phone or parental note is not legally acceptable. Parents/guardians/carers are advised to save this email for reference as it contains all the details of the event/excursion.

Where parental permission has not been provided via the Consent2Go platform by the due date, students will not be permitted to attend the excursion/event and will be supervised on the College grounds.

Commitment to Child Safety and Wellbeing

De La Salle College is committed to child safety and wellbeing. We recognise the importance of student empowerment and participation and strive to develop the potential of those entrusted to our care. We challenge, nurture and respect all children/young people, as well as our staff, contractors and volunteers.

We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We have legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Please read our full Statement of Commitment to Child Safety and Wellbeing and our Child Safety Policies available on the College website.

Student Code of Conduct

All students must conduct themselves in such a way that they are always a credit to themselves, their families and De La Salle College. Students must read and acknowledge the Code of Conduct at the commencement of the school year.

Respect is one of the Five Core Principles of a Lasallian education. Building positive and respectful partnerships between students/staff/parents is fundamental in building a positive culture.

Wilful Damage / Vandalism

Wilful damage and vandalism is an unacceptable form of behaviour in any circumstances. Deliberate damage will incur replacement costs. Vandalism is a criminal offence and will be dealt with appropriately.



Our Learning Management System



Our Learning Management System - OLLIE

Our Learning Management System provides students and their families with an Online Learning Interactive Environment (OLLIE) that can be used to communicate, collaborate, learn, manage, integrate and create.

Benefits for Students and Parents

The students' use of technology is supported by our committed teaching staff and the delivery of curriculum through our eLearning platform, OLLIE. Our aim is to improve student engagement, independence and self-initiated learning. The goal is to develop active and passionate lifelong learners with contemporary skills, ready to take their place in a global community.

With eLearning, the curriculum is delivered in productive and creative ways. Students have 24/7 access to OLLIE, at school and at home. They can complete online assessment tasks and access further learning opportunities on demand. eLearning has become a powerful tool, enabling students to assume more responsibility for their own education. It provides a framework for ongoing, accessible assessment and reporting.

The OLLIE platform builds the partnership between parents/guardians/carers, students and teachers. Parents/guardians/carers can view the academic progress of their son/s through the OLLIE grade button on our cloud-based application – wherever they are – at the click of a button. Parents/guardians/carers are also able to obtain the most up to date and detailed information, such as the calendar and documents including policies and recent correspondence.

The De La Salle Community Portal allows parents/guardians/carers to view their current balance and all transactions on their account for their school fees. Parents/guardians/carers can also view and print PDF statements and receipts.

How Teachers and the College use OLLIE

OLLIE is used by the College to communicate with parents/guardians/carers and students. Students and parents/guardians/carers can access student timetables, course outline and resources for each academic subject, as well as information about other parts of College life. OLLIE is a platform where all assessment items and results can be viewed by parents/guardians/carers and students throughout the year, with a real-time channel of communication about how each student is progressing with their studies.

In OLLIE, students can submit assessments, set up collaborative groups, monitor and manage their own workload, view due work, and gather feedback about how they have performed and ways that they can improve.

College Expectations

College Uniform

The College uniform supplier is Dobsons. For a full price list please see the College website.

The traditional and distinctive De La Salle College uniform is designed to be contemporary, practical and worn with pride. There is flexibility and options depending on the time of year and timetabling schedule.

Students are expected to wear clothing which is clean, tidy and well maintained. Refer to the full Uniform Policy for further information.

- Footwear** All students are required to wear clean black leather school shoes with the College uniform (there are no exceptions).
- Hair** Hair must be well groomed, clean, neat and tidy. Hair must be off the face and above the eyebrows and collar. Extreme hairstyles, including colouring, will not be permitted.
- Accessories** Visible jewellery and tattoos are not permitted.
- Grooming** Facial hair is not permitted. Students are required to be clean shaven.

Students who fail to meet College expectations regarding appearance and uniform may be sent home by the Assistant Principal – Students or Directors of Students/Head of Campus.

All items of clothing should be clearly marked with the student's name.

Winter Uniform

The full school uniform is the winter uniform, which must be worn in Terms 2 and 3. Students have the option of wearing their winter shirt (tucked in), tie, jumper and blazer with shorts rather than trousers if they prefer. In Terms 1 and 4, students have the option of wearing the summer uniform.

- Shirt** White, long sleeve shirt. It is always to be worn with the College tie and tucked in.
- Trousers** Trousers must not be excessively baggy or oversized and should be worn with a black belt.
- Jumper** Navy blue monogrammed pullover. The College jumper may be worn in winter or summer however it is not to be worn as an outer garment.
- Blazer** The College blazer is the external garment to be worn to and from school and to all assemblies.
- Socks** Grey or black socks. Or blue marle socks if shorts are worn.
- Shoes** Black leather school shoes

Where students choose to wear shorts with the winter uniform, the following applies:

- Shorts** Navy blue walk shorts.
- Socks** Blue marle College socks.

NB. The spray jacket is part of the sports uniform and is not an alternative to the College blazer. It may only be worn over the blazer when travelling to and from school, when it is raining, and must be removed when the student is at school.



Summer Uniform

Shirt	Short sleeve, white monogrammed shirt. The short sleeve shirt may be worn outside the shorts. As an alternative, students are permitted to wear their winter shirt with tie and blazer, with the shirt tucked in.
Shorts	Navy blue walk shorts.
Jumper	Navy blue monogrammed pullover. The school jumper may be worn in winter or summer however it is not to be worn as an outer garment.
Socks	Blue marle College socks.
Shoes	Black leather school shoes.
Hat	Blue College cap or wide brimmed hat (compulsory for Primary students).
School Bag	Only the official De La Salle College bag is acceptable.

NB. The only garments that should be worn on the outside to and from school are either the short sleeve monogrammed shirt or the College blazer. The College spray jacket can be worn as stated on page 13.

Sports Uniform

The sports uniform consists of the following:

- College polo shirt
- Navy blue monogrammed shorts or tracksuit pants
- Monogrammed rugby top
- White socks
- Runners or cross-trainers (street, skate and casual shoes are not permitted)
- College spray jacket
- House T Shirt (only to be worn to special House events including carnivals)

Tiverton Campus

Students are only permitted to wear their sports uniform on days when they have timetabled PE classes.

Holy Eucharist Campus

Students are only permitted to wear the sports uniform on days when they have a double period of Discovery, which will be allocated to Physical Education.

Kinnoull

Year 10 students are only permitted to wear their sports uniform when they have their timetabled PE classes. Year 11 and 12 students are only permitted to wear their sports uniform on Wednesdays to attend Internal or ACC Sport. The sports uniform is not to be worn to or from school.

Hats

The College cap or wide brimmed hat is compulsory for Primary school students in Term 1 and Term 4 and is encouraged at all Year Levels. Beanie and Scarf - only the College branded beanie and scarf may be worn during Terms 2 and 3.

Uniform Pass

Students not wearing the correct uniform should have a note from a parent/guardian/carer and must obtain an Out of Uniform Pass from their Year Level/House Coordinator or Director of Students Head of Campus authorising incorrect attire for a specified period of time.

Music Tuition

The Music Department offers private lessons with specialist teachers for students in all Year Levels. Instruments include flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, viola, cello, double bass, trumpet, trombone, guitar, bass guitar, voice, piano and drumkit/percussion.

Students enrolled in private lessons are also involved in the extensive ensembles program. There is no extra cost for ensembles. This involvement provides further performance opportunities and accelerates learning in a group setting. Enrolments are accepted prior to the commencement of each new semester, but later enrolments mid-semester can also be facilitated.

For more information, please contact Susan Jost, Music Administration Officer on (03) 9508 2136 or by email, music@delasalle.vic.edu.au



Sport

As members of the Associated Catholic Colleges' (ACC) of Victoria competition, high quality inter-school competition is offered in major carnivals and weekly matches. These include swimming, athletics, cross country, tennis, cricket, football, soccer, hockey, basketball, golf, table tennis, volleyball, badminton, chess and debating. ACC matches are timetabled into the school week with no Saturday morning sport.

De La Salle College Primary students can represent the College in inter-school sport through their participation in the Dendy Sports Association competitions. These include swimming, athletics, cross country, football, cricket, netball and basketball.

Year 7 and 8 students have the opportunity to participate in the College's High Performance Sports Program. Applications are sought for high performing athletes in sports such as athletics, basketball, cricket, cross country, football, soccer and swimming. This program is external to the regular curriculum and ACC sport, students are chosen for the program through an application process.

Sport is played on the following days:

Years 9-10	Tuesday
Seniors	Wednesday
Years 7-8	Thursday
Primary	Friday



Our Lasallian Traditions

The House System

The House system at De La Salle College commenced in 1938 and after a hiatus was reintroduced in 2015. All students are allocated a House. Through the House system, each student experiences a sense of identity and belonging.

There are four Houses:



St Austin's House - Yellow

St Austin was sent by St Gregory (The Great Pope Gregory) to preach the Christian faith in England in 591AD. He travelled around England performing miracles and converting people to Christianity.



St Edwin's House - Green

St Edwin was the first Christian King of Northumbria, England and was born in 585AD. He was responsible for the conversion of many people to Christianity. He was martyred in 633AD defending the Christian faith.



St Leo's House - Blue

St Leo reigned as Pope between 440AD and 461AD. He is known for helping to curb the violence of invading armies to Rome and he developed a strong, unified Catholic church.



St Mark's House - Red

St Mark was one of Jesus' twelve disciples and was the writer of the second Gospel of the New Testament in approximately 60AD. Mark was a very influential figure in the early church.

At the Kinnoull Campus, students are grouped in vertical (Year 10 to Year 12) House based Mentor Groups. The House system incorporates all major elements of school life: academic, sporting, the arts and community.

At the Tiverton and Holy Eucharist Campuses, Class Mentor Groups are Year Level based.



Our Crest



The crest is made up of four elements: the motto, the cross, the star and the laurels.

The motto Deo Duce means With God as Leader. It was the original De La Salle College motto and although no longer used as our official motto, it is a reminder of College tradition and faith by which we live.

The cross is the Christian symbol of hope and new life.

The laurels are the sign of victory and a reminder to pursue excellence in everything we do.

Each point of the star represents one of the core principals set forth by St John Baptist de La Salle:

Respect for all people:

We honour and respect the dignity of all individuals.

Quality education:

Students and staff work together to develop curiosity, be creative, think critically and strive for personal best.

Inclusive community:

We celebrate diversity and welcome all members to our community.

Concern for the poor and social justice:

We are in solidarity with people experiencing social, economic and spiritual marginalisation and advocate for those without a voice.

Faith in the presence of God:

We believe in the living presence of God in our students, in our community and in our world.



The College Prayer

Let us remember we are in the Holy presence of God...

God, as our leader, and guided by the Lasallian Principles,
we commit ourselves to lives of faith
and excellence, compassion, courage and loyalty.
May we have a humble heart a generous spirit and a willingness
to serve our community.
In the likeness of the Founder, may we live with virtue and love.
Inspired by a burning zeal to do what is right and just,
we commit ourselves to the blue and gold
Deo Duce.

St John Baptist de La Salle – Pray for us
Live Jesus in our hearts – Forever!

The De La Salle College Prayer was written by the 2017 Student Leadership Team, in consultation with key staff and stakeholders, and presented at the Liturgy for the Feast of the Assumption, 15 August 2017.



Saint John Baptist de La Salle



Saint John Baptist de La Salle was the first of 11 children born in 1651 in the coronation city of Rheims in France. His mother, Nicole Moet de Brouillet, was of the nobility while his father Pierre's family had distinguished itself over many generations.

Having chosen to follow a priestly vocation, the young John Baptist became a Canon of the Rheims cathedral before his 16th birthday and was then sent to complete his studies at the seminary of Saint Sulpice in Paris. After two years, the death of both his parents obliged him to return to Rheims to take charge of his family and eventually continue his studies in his native city.

Unexpected events then led him to support a layman interested in founding schools for poor boys; this eventually saw him take responsibility for training teachers for a number of these schools by bringing them into his own home and living with them.

Following the advice of a saintly priest with whom he consulted, John Baptist eventually resigned his position as a Canon, gave his personal fortune to feed the poor in a time of famine, and became the founder of the first religious brotherhood devoted to the education of the poor. His insistence on the lay character of his community was not, at first, understood or appreciated by some church authorities, but at the time of his death in 1719 his Institute of the Brothers of Christian Schools had spread throughout France.

John Baptist's dedicated life to the educational service of the poor was recognised by his beatification by the Church in 1888 and his canonisation in 1900. In 1950, to commemorate the 300th year of his birth, he was named Patron of all Educators. His Institute has spread to over 80 countries of today's world with an ever-increasing number of lay people continuing the work which he began.

Saint John Baptist de La Salle's feast day is celebrated on 15 May.

YEARS 5-8 TIVERTON CAMPUS

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YEAR 9 HOLY EUCHARIST CAMPUS

1241 Dandenong Road, Malvern East

YEARS 10-12 KINNOULL CAMPUS

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