Do you know who Pat Cummins is? In most cases, I suggest the answer is, ‘no’.

And yet as I write this piece Pat is on the verge of achieving his life-long dream in front of millions of people on television and close to 100,000 live. He is about to achieve what only 30 other Australians have ever managed to achieve despite millions having tried.

At the same time Pat is about to achieve his dream, eleven other Australians are out on the field at the MCG just moments away from making their dream of winning the cricket world cup come true. It hasn’t happened without its challenges. The headlines have written almost all of them off in past 6 months...

- Warne tells Lehman to butt out
- The end for Haddin
- Finch feels the pinch
- Watson fails again
- Clarke’s time to quit
- Johnson to miss
- Warner out of touch
- Aussies Kiwi bunnies
- Clarke may never return

Like all aspects of life, cricket comes with its ebbs and flows. Games are won and lost in a moment of luck or a moment of lost concentration. There is always a winner and thus always a loser and in the case of the world cup, there are some 12 teams who didn’t even make the final. But they too have their little victories along the way.

Cricket fans will long savor Afghanistan’s first international victory. We will also long remember England’s demise and South Africa’s agonisingly close semi-final just missing out on the World Cup Final for the third time in a row.

And then there is Pat Cummins. The little known 12th man of the Australian World Cup winning side. Pat has been injured for three years and struggled to gain enough fitness to cement himself into the side. But he has kept persisting. He may not be a household name but he is certainly no failure. You may not even know who he is, but at the end of the day... Pat knows who he is.
Term 1

The focus for Term 1 was 'self'. Each member of the student/staff body has set themselves three main goals for their personal development this year. These were put up on the wall in dot point form. This process makes us accountable to our goals and helps us acknowledge when we are sabotaging our goals.

Goal setting can be hard. It is especially challenging when the goals address ingrained habits. Many adults never address the core issues that stop them achieving their goals, finding success or realising happiness. Setting these goals and recognising these habits takes courage and commitment.

As a group we have begun to recognise our own flaws and weaknesses. The next step is to turn these weaknesses into strengths in a supported environment.

DECV

Well done to all students this term. This term has been important in creating and maintaining positive work habits and building our relationship with DECV.

Please be aware we will be running a VCE catch up session in the holidays. Tutors will be available at the centre from Tuesday 14th of April to Thursday 16th April and will include an evening catch up on Wednesday.

Dates

Term 2

Tuesday 21st April
Saturday 25th April
Sunday 10th May
Wednesday 13th May

Term 2 Begins
ANZAC Day
Mothers Day
Gender Bender
QLD Camp (TBC)
Happy Easter!