

150th anniversary celebration commences at Don Bosco



Don Bosco Technical Institute, Henderson commenced its 3 day celebration today, 13th August, 2009, in honour of St John Bosco who began the Congregation of the Salesians of Don Bosco, 150 years ago. About 400 staff, students, parents and guests were part of the celebration at the Don Bosco campus.

“Solomon Islands is made up of different islands and cultures and it was acknowledged in the celebrations. Students danced in their different groups. The cultural dances were filled with energy and creativity and depicted the cultural life of the people – fishing, hunting, marriage and the different aspects of daily life. Dressed in their traditional costumes there was an array of colours, costumes, dances and unique songs. The dances were full of energy and vigor and everyone enjoyed themselves,” said Ms Camari Bainivalu, principal of the school.

A special magic show performed by Fr. Michael and Fr. Mickey held everyone spellbound. It was also an intercultural day with the Japanese volunteers together with the Tetere students performing in song and dance.

“Celebrating our diverse cultures is an occasion to build up unity, harmony, togetherness and friendship”, said Fr. Ambrose Pereira sdb, as he opened the celebrations.

The day was organized by Fr. Joseph Thanh sdb and the teachers. It ended with friendly games and a light lunch.



The entire Salesian Family awaits the presence of Fr. Klement Vaclav sdb, Councillor for the Missions to join in the celebrations.

Don Bosco started the congregation of Don Bosco in 1859 to cater to the young – that part of society so exposed to danger, yet so rich in promise. The congregation has institutions catering to youth in 130 countries of the world.

Six salesians run the two Institutions run by the Salesians of Don Bosco in the Solomon Islands.