MORE than 100 students from Victoria’s Parade College were enthusiastic participants in the World’s Greatest Shave in March. By shaving or colouring their hair, the participants raising a whopping $11,000 for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Over the past couple of years the school has lost two of its students to the disease, and music teacher Martin Macaulay, the driving force in organising Parade’s participation, also has a young son with leukaemia.

The 2011 total smashes the school’s impressive $7000 effort from last year.

Parade is an all-boys school, so the head-shaving wasn’t too traumatic.

“[My hair] was actually pretty long. Collar length, I think. So a lot of hair! But it was all right.

“It’s not really a big deal to me, I mean, I’ve had short hair before!” laughs Year 12 student Tim Kaussas, who raised around $250 for the cause.