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### *From the Principal*

As you know, Monday of this week was a Student Free Day. These days can be challenging for parents as you often need to make alternative arrangements for the care of your children, especially the younger ones. I want to assure you, however, that these days are extremely valuable and do, in fact, have a very positive impact on teaching and learning. Staff were involved in a variety of Professional Learning activities on Monday, some of which I will outline for you here.

Our Primary teachers attended a Consistency of Teacher Judgement (CTJ) day at St Joseph's in Murgon. CTJ is a key strategy used for implementing the Australian Curriculum in all Brisbane Catholic Education schools. The process supports student learning by building teacher capacity to engage with the curriculum, understand its intent, determine and develop appropriate teaching practices, and make decisions about student learning. On the CTJ day this year, teachers focused on achieving consistency, comparability and consensus about the standard of student work between and within our local Catholic schools. Our School Officers were also involved in Professional Learning at St Joseph's as they were given an opportunity to develop their understanding of the Brisbane Catholic Education *Excellent Learning and Teaching Strategies*.

Some of our Secondary teachers take part in QCAA Verification Meetings on this Student Free Day each year. These meetings provide an opportunity for Senior teachers to meet and externally moderate school-based assessment tasks from around the region. This is a crucial component of the processes used for quality assurance in our senior assessment system and provides an outstanding learning opportunity for those teachers involved.

Many of our other Secondary teachers spent the day working collaboratively to undertake planning from the Australian Curriculum. They analysed student data and discussed effective ways to differentiate learning and assessment for students with various needs and learning styles. They also had the opportunity to review and clarify some of their assessment tasks so that what is required of students could be made clear and the criteria for success could be well scaffolded.

Overall, this Student Free Day was a highly productive one, so I thank you for your support of the day and others like it. As you can see, they provide valuable opportunities for teachers to improve the core business of teaching and learning in our school and ensure that we can continue to provide a high quality education of your children.

God Bless

**Mrs Angela Myles**  
College Principal

## *Head of Secondary News*

### Presentation Night – Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October

The Annual Awards Night will be held on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October in the Maryknoll Centre from 6pm to 9pm.

Awards for Prep to Year 6 will be presented first followed by Year 7 to Year 12 Academic and Sporting Awards. Major Awards will be given, followed by a light supper.

All students receiving an award will receive an email informing parents that they are required to attend.

The details of the awards are not given as it dilutes the sense of expectation surrounding either Academic, Sporting or Major Awards.

If you have any queries or cannot attend, please inform the College office on 4160 0900.

Kind regards  
Mr Sean Erwin  
Head of Secondary

## *APRE News*

### Adore 24

As this goes to print the College has commenced a 24 hour adoration of the blessed sacrament. This gives all members of the college community and the parish the opportunity to be still and silent and reflect on their own faith. This is the first time most of our students and staff have experienced adoration and we look forward to the event.

Students will move down with their class to the Church and participate in about 30 mins of adoration. The younger students will be given some small tasks and scripture reflections; the older students will get the opportunity to sit quietly and be with their own thoughts and feelings. It will be a great opportunity for students to also be detached from all external influences including technology. I know that this will be very challenging yet rewarding for some.

All family members of the College are welcome to join the students during Wednesday and or Thursday during school hours or in the after hours shift that goes all night. Come down tonight or in the morning at any time if you would like to be involved.

### Study of Religion Excursion

Last week students in the Year 11 SOR class travelled to Brisbane to learn more about some of the major world religions. The senior syllabus is heavy in the study of other religions as well as our own Christian tradition, so the trip is designed to bring some of the theory about these religions alive.

We visited a Buddhist temple, a Hare Krishna place of worship, the Holland Park Islamic Mosque and Saint Stephen's Cathedral. It became a genuine road trip because of the short time frame and the large distances we had to cover, however the students were extremely respectful and asked very good questions of the facilitators. I am aware of the trepidation with which society treats some religions at present and I believe the excursion went a long way to debunking myths and opening our eyes to some deeper truths about humanity's search for answers to some of the big questions.

Kind regards  
Mr Martin Perrett  
APRE

## *Campus Minister News*

### Coming up in Campus Ministry

- **Mass** – 8.15am every Wednesday morning in the College library (parents and students welcome)
- **Adore 24** – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>
- **Youth Group** – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm please remember permission forms
- **Girls Group** – Every Monday at lunch
- **Orana** – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm pick up between 4pm and 4.15pm
- **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Sleepout and Christmas events**– COMING SOON

### Children and Youth St Mary's 10am Mass

- 23rd October - Children's MASS, Band & Choir
- 6th November - Children's Liturgy

- 20th November - Children's Liturgy
- 26th November (SATURDAY) - Light Up Advent Mass & Party: Combined Children's & Youth Band
- 4th December - Children's Liturgy
- 11th December - Youth Music Band

**We need you:**

**Children's Band & Choir** are looking for Prep to Year 10 to play or support. Any instrument or skill level. Casual commitment is fine. No practices required. Music and support is provided.

**Youth Music Band** is looking for Year 10 to Year 12 students who enjoy modern church music to play or sing. Any instrument or skill level.

See Miss Schick for more details

God Bless,  
Miss Megan Schick  
Campus Minister



*Library News*

**Returns Process**

This term is perhaps the busiest one for the library! During this term, retrieving all take-home readers, textbooks and library books becomes critically important as we get ready for end-of-year finalisation. All students will be given printed records of all their current loans and overdues in a systematic way this term. As usual, they will receive first, second and final reminders followed by a letter posted home and finally invoicing by the office failing return of overdues. **Please note that no refunds can be given once invoiced, even if the books are found.**

***Please note***, Years 9-11 students do not need to return their laptop at the end of the term (it appears on their list for their information only). Year 12 students will be notified of the end-of-year laptop processes by the IT technician.

For your information, here are the dates when everything is due back this term:

**Friday, 4th November** – Prep-Yr 6, Yr 10-12

**Friday, 11th November** – Yr 7-9

I have informed students that it is very important to:

- notify library staff immediately if their books are lost or damaged.
- ensure they are returning the exact textbook they were given at the beginning of the year by checking the details recorded in their diaries.

We thank you for any support you can give us with the return of resources.

Yours in reading  
Mrs Katie Mangan  
Teacher Librarian

*Indigenous News*

Congratulations to Rahab Murray who attended the BCE Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Graduation last Friday at St Stephen's Cathedral. Rahab was one of 150 Indigenous students who attended the ceremony.

Kind regards  
Mrs Amanda Erwin, Mrs Karen Bond, Miss Niketa Law  
Indigenous Department



## Prep to Year 6 Teaching and Learning Leader News

Cooper Moller has successfully auditioned and been selected into the West Moreton Youth Ballet's production of Snow White in 2017. He will be performing at the Empire Theatre in Toowoomba in April next year. This is a wonderful accomplishment

Well done Cooper.

Ms Celia King

Prep to Year 6 Teaching and Learning Leader



## Music News

### Approaching Events

- Thursday, 20th October at 6pm - Music Tuition Program Evening (Maryknoll Centre)
- Friday, 21st October at 7pm - Topology/The Australian Voices/SMCC production: "The Singing Politician" (Maryknoll Centre)
- Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October, 6.15am - "Singin' in the Rain" excursion (Year 10 and 11 Elective Music)
- Thursday, 27th October at 6pm - Annual Presentation Evening (Senior Vocal Ensemble, College Orchestra (not String Immersion, as previously stated))
- Thursday, 3rd November at 5:30pm - Annual Celebration of the Arts (Maryknoll Centre) (selected soloists, Senior Vocal Ensemble, Senior Primary Choir, College Orchestra, String Immersion, Year 10 Rock Band)
- Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2017 - South Burnett Regional Australia Day Awards Evening (Senior Primary Choir)

### Topology and The Australian Voices! - \*\*\*Only 2 days to Go! Get Your Tickets Now!\*\*\*

"The Singing Politician" is a fabulous professional QPAC-style show, full of political commentary communicated through amazing music. It is sure to be the basis for much discussion afterwards! Kingaroy concert-goers will have the rare chance to hear professional musicians from contemporary chamber group, *Topology*, as well as *The Australian Voices* (directed by Gordon Hamilton) - one of Australia's only professional choirs. The performance of "The Singing Politician" will be held in the Maryknoll Centre on Friday 21 October, 7pm. The visiting musicians will be workshoping student compositions this week as part of their "Top Up" program in preparation for the combined Topology/TAV/SMCC Show. This is such a coup for a regional school of our size. Don't miss out! You can book tickets at [topologymusic.com](http://topologymusic.com) or purchase them at the door on the night. Quote "CHOIR" to receive a \$10 discount on tickets.

**THE SINGING POLITICIAN**

FRI 21 OCT 7PM  
ST MARY'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE HALL  
10 Kent St Kingaroy QLD 4610  
BOOKINGS: trybooking.com/MNRM

ALL TICKETS \$20 TILL 18 SEP ONLY!  
Full \$30  
Concession/Student \$27  
Group of 2 \$50  
Group of 4 \$96

"A fascinating and artistically absorbing musico-political event"  
Limelight Magazine

"It is simultaneously quite serious, quite moving and absolutely hilarious."  
James Morrison

**TOPOLOGY & THE AUSTRALIAN VOICES**

A musical narrative inspired by famous speeches

Prime Ministerial speeches - set to music. ARIA nominated Topology and The Australian Voices bring iconic speeches and exceptional musicianship together to celebrate pivotal moments in Australian history.

The Singing Politician takes the words right out of our Prime Ministers' mouths - from Robert Menzies to Gough Whitlam, Malcolm Fraser to Paul Keating, Bob Hawke to Tony Abbott - and marries them seamlessly to an overlay of stirring music and choral work.

### Topology Workshops

Last week, the Senior Music students and the College Orchestra had the privilege to work with professional musicians and composers, Mr Jon Babbage and Dr Rob Davidson, to explore a variety of music composition techniques. On his saxophone, Jon showed the students the many ways in which repetition, tempo and tone colour can be used to create different musical effects, and assisted students to create a range of mini-compositions which they shared with the group. Our workshop with Dr Rob Davidson (Senior Lecturer in Composition at the University of Queensland) was held via Skype, linking his office in the UQ Music Faculty with our Music Centre. As can be seen in the photo, the students were able to talk directly with the composer, and simultaneously watch him using music notation software to



write music for the students to sing and play. I would count this workshop as one of the highlights of my year; seeing the tyranny of distance overcome by the latest technology was a wonderful experience for these rural music students.

### Music Tuition Program Evening – Thursday 20 October

A reminder to performers that they may wear good casual clothing to this College event. Best wishes to all performers as they prepare for this very special evening.

### Celebration of the Arts – Thursday 3 November

All of the major music ensembles are performing at this showcase event, including the Senior Primary Choir, Secondary Vocal Ensemble, String Immersion students, the College Orchestra and the Year 10 Rock Band. Selected students will be performing outstanding items from assessments completed throughout the year. Please bring family and friends to our “night of nights” – they are sure to be entertained!



Yours in music  
Mrs Jane Iszlaub  
Music Coordinator

## *Tuckshop News*

### Friday Specials

Available both Morning Tea and Lunch

- ☺ Hot Dogs with Sauce and Cheese - \$3.50
- ☺ Party Pies - \$1.20
- ☺ Party Sausage Rolls - \$1.20
- ☺ Sausage Rolls - \$2.50
- ☺ Pies - \$4.00

**Please note:** Due to supplier issues some stock will not be available for purchase. We will substitute where necessary.

Thank you for your understanding.

### Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer in the tuckshop, you can do so by calling Monday, Wednesday and Friday to discuss how to volunteer.

**Please ensure that you have the current 2016 Menu.** If you have misplaced your menu, they are available from the College office.

### Donation of Goods

If you are able to donate any of the following items during the year, it would be greatly appreciated. Below are the main ingredients we use, however, any donations are more than welcome.

Self Raising Flour  
Desiccated Coconut  
Plain Flour  
Brown Sugar  
Caster Sugar  
Small Tinned Pineapple Slices  
Small Tinned Corn

These can be dropped into the tuckshop on Monday, Wednesday, Friday or to the College office.

### Ordering and Payment

We now have two options for ordering: online and the paper bag system. For Prep to Year 5 students it is recommended that you use either of these systems.

**Online Ordering System QKR (Quicker):** Your child’s online order will be sent to the tuckshop where it will be printed out. The orders are filled and placed in the class baskets. Their baskets are collected at morning tea and lunch. You are not required to send in a paper bag once you have ordered online.

**Paper Bag System:** Your child's order will be placed in the tuckshop baskets in their classroom in the mornings. The baskets are delivered to the tuckshop and orders are filled. Their baskets are collected at morning tea and lunch. Please do not use sticky tape or staples when using paper bags for ordering. It makes it difficult to get the bags undone without tearing. Plastic bags are not suitable for ordering as it is very difficult to place your child's order inside them. Bags can be purchased from the tuckshop for .05c each.

Year 6 to Year 12 students are more than welcome to use either system. If using the paper bag system, students place their bag orders at the tuckshop before school.

**Do you know....**

That you can now order online using QKR! QKR (Quicker) is an app that you can use on your phone, iPad or computer. If you would like assistance to use our online ordering system, call into the College office and see Briony Hoare or pop into the tuckshop and I will be able to assist you.

Regards  
Mrs Michelle Davis  
Tuckshop Convenor

## *Chess News*

### **St. Columban's Inter-school Chess Tournament**

Our school was energetically represented by 16 students who made the bus journey to Caboolture for this much anticipated Chess competition. These students, ranging in age from Year 3 to Year 11, each played 7 games throughout the day against students from a variety of schools. Saint Mary's fielded 2 senior and 2 junior teams and our players were (in order of ranking): Robbie Veivers, Sajeewa Ranasinghe, Jim Corbet, Sam McCarthy, Sydney Poore, Tom and Cooper Pennell, Olivia Davis, Ryan Maudsley, Rosie Clancy, Rupa Tamang, Miranda Zelinski, Sam Erwin, Harry Pace, Kimberly Haydon and Hayden Watson.

Their results were mixed, with most students winning at least half of their matches. The members of our first Senior team were each awarded third-place medals while Robbie Veivers achieved the medal for second place overall in the individual category. It was a highlight to note that Sam McCarthy actually defeated the overall individual winner in his first match of the day.

All students agreed that, win lose or draw, they were able to learn some useful strategies that will be remembered for their Chess futures.

Well done to all who attended.  
Mr Gary Allan

## *Australia Day Awards 2017*

South Burnett Regional Council has opened the region's annual Australia Day Awards for 2017.

These awards provide the community with an opportunity to acknowledge and reward outstanding groups and individuals in our community. Whether it be in community service, sporting achievements, arts and culture, young achievers, community events, contributions from groups and clubs, it is important to take this opportunity to have the achievements of our local people recognised.

Nominations close on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

The award categories are as follows:

- South Burnett Citizen of the Year
- South Burnett Young Citizen of the Year
- South Burnett Community Organisation of the Year
- South Burnett Lifetime Achievement of the Year
- South Burnett Volunteer of the Year
- South Burnett Cultural (Junior)



- South Burnett Cultural (Senior)
- South Burnett Junior Sports Person of the Year (the recipient of this award also received the Matthew Hayden Bursary)
- South Burnett Sports Person of the Year
- South Burnett Sports Person (Coach/Official or Administration)

A nomination for an award should be accompanied by as much supporting information as possible. Accurate and comprehensive information will assist the assessment panel in selecting the most appropriate awardees.

Nomination forms can be downloaded from our website at <http://www.southburnett.qld.gov.au/web/guest/australia-day>. Alternatively you can pick up a copy from and Council Customer Service centre.

Yours faithfully  
Mr Keith Campbell  
Mayor





*Saint Mary's  
Catholic College*

*Celebration  
of the Arts*



*2016*



**Thursday, 3 November 2016  
Maryknoll Centre 5.30pm  
Saint Mary's Catholic College**

**Sausage sizzle from 5pm**

## *Dates to Remember*

### **Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> October**

Domestic Violence Presentation Year 11 & 12

Music Tuition Program Evening 6pm

### **Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> October**

Whip Cracking Demonstration

### **Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> October**

Prep A Excursion

### **Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> October**

Immunisation Clinic

Board Meeting 5.30pm

### **Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October**

Annual Awards Ceremony 6pm

### **Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> October**

Prep B Excursion

### **Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Whole School Assembly

### **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

Prep 2017 Orientation Day 1 Group A

Celebration of the Arts 5.30pm in Maryknoll Centre

### **Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November**

Indigenous Graduation

Community BBQ 5.30pm

### **Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> November**

Prep 2017 Orientation Day 1 Group B

### **Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Family Mass

Year 12 Valedictory Dinner 5pm Kingaroy Town Hall

P&F Meeting 7pm

### **Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> November**

Prep 2017 Orientation Day 2 Group A

### **Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November**

Year 12 Last Day

### **Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> November**

Year 11 Work Experience All Week

### **Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

Year 7 Orientation Day

Whole School Assembly

### **Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

Board Meeting 5.30pm

### **Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> November**

2017 Prep Orientation Day 2 Group B

### **Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> November**

Year 10 and Year 11 Last Day

Blue Light Disco

### **Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> November**

Rites of Passage 6pm

### **Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> November**

Carols Night 6pm

### **Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December**

Prep to Year 6 Swimming Carnival

### **Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

[Term 4 Completed. School finishes at 12.30pm](#)

**Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

[Term 1 Commences](#)