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NEWSLETTER *Term 01 Week 02*

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From the Principal

Parent Information Evening

A general information evening for parents and carers is being held on **Tuesday 6 February**, commencing at 6pm in Room 85. The purpose of this information night is to outline the College's strategic directions for 2018, and also to discuss some important operational changes taking place this year. The evening will also provide a forum for parents and carers to ask questions of the senior leadership team. I strongly encourage you to come along to this event.

Parents & Friends Association - Family Fun Day

A great social event is being held at the College on **Saturday 3 February from 3pm until 6pm**. The P&F Family Fun Day is a wonderful opportunity to welcome everyone back for the new school year and enjoy an enjoyable afternoon with friends. Whether you are new to the college, or have been part of our community for some time, you are invited to bring your whole family to Saint Mary's on Saturday for an entertaining afternoon. There will be loads of free family games, face painting, sausage sizzle, drinks and snacks for sale. We are hoping for a beautiful sunny afternoon, so come along and join in the fun!

Information Technology at Saint Mary's

Saint Mary's Catholic College provides a variety of technology services and resources for students, including a 1:1 laptop program for students in Years 9 to 12. Access to this program and our other technology services is intended to facilitate improved learning opportunities for students. The presence of technology does not automatically lead to better learning. Rather, access to devices should enhance the quality learning and teaching that already occurs in classroom, as teachers and students leverage the power of these technologies as tools for learning.

Some of you may be aware that we have, at times, experienced challenges with the management of information technology at Saint Mary's. Towards the end of last year a new IT technician commenced at the College. Farhad Kamal has significant experience providing support for IT in the education sector. He is currently working hard to put effective systems in place and is assessing the status of all our technology resources. Although it may take Farhad a little while to resolve our existing issues, we are confident that we will soon be working at full capacity in this area. If you have any concerns or queries regarding the provision of IT resources for your child, please don't hesitate to contact us at the College.

God bless

Mrs Angela Myles
College Principal



P & F Family Fun Day

Strengthening our SMCC community.

Sat 3rd Feb 3—6pm 2018

All activities & games FREE.
PLUS free raffles!

Plus free ice blocks, sausage sizzle and watermelon.

Soft drinks \$1.50; other snacks 50c- \$1.

3PM:
WATER GAMES : -BUCKET CHALLENGE -ICE FEET -RED ROVER - WATER GUNS

4PM:
-TEACHERS VS STUDENT :HIGH SCHOOLERS NETBALL BRING SPORTS SHOES!

4.30:
-LIMBO -TUG OF WAR - 3 LEGGED RACE

5PM:
-LAMINGTON EATING COMP

5:30:
-SPONGE SPLAT YR 12S RAFFLE DRAW

ALL DAY:
-JUMPING CASTLE -FISHING GAME -FACE PAINTING -PAPER PLANE COMPETITION -PINGPONG PLOP. AND MUCH MORE.....






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Head of Primary News

Welcome parents and carers of our students in Prep to Year 6. The time goes by so quickly as we watch our little ones grow up!

There are a few changes this year with some administration so please keep an eye on the calendar and the newsletter sections from all staff in Middle Leadership for information updates.

Just a reminder that **our Family Fun Day is on this Saturday from 3.00pm to 6.00pm**. Our enthusiastic Year 12s will be here helping, supporting the littlies and the older students in the fun and games. It's a great opportunity to meet up with friends and meet the parents of your child's 'best friend' if you haven't met them already! It's a time to make all families feel welcome especially the new families who have joined our College community.

Tuesday evening next week the 6 March is the parent information evening at 6.00pm in Room 85. It is one of the rooms on the bottom floor of our double storey building. This is accessible from the road in Kent Street. The Principal Mrs Myles and various other staff in Leadership will be there to answer any questions about the college and to present the Strategic Plan that we began in 2017 and continues into 2020. It's an important evening that answers many questions about our three big areas – Catholic Identity, Excellent learning and teaching and Building a sustainable future.

Our first **P-6 Assembly will be Friday 16 February at 2.30pm in the lower courtyard**. There is teacher consultation underway to determine if there is a better time for the P-6 weekly assembly. I'll keep you posted. Year 6 will run the assembly. Miss Thomas and Mr Harrington will be working together to present the assemblies.

So again, I welcome you all back to 2018. Remember, if you have any questions or queries regarding your child, please contact the class teacher as your first port of call.

God bless

Ms Pam Radcliffe

Head of Primary

APA News

School Photos - 23 February 2018 - [Advanced Life Photography Link](#)

Dear Parents,

School photography day is coming up very soon. Group and portrait photographs can be purchased by following the link above or by using the envelopes that were distributed last week.

Important Information:

- School photos purchased online DO NOT require envelopes returned to school.*
- Don't forget to order your sibling photos now.
- **Late fees/additional charges will be applied for purchases after photo day.**
- Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after photos are taken.
- Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups available at school's **advancedlife** & your **advancedyou** photo sites (follow the link above).

*Sibling photographs must be ordered either online or by order envelope prior to the day of photography. A photograph will not be taken without an order. Sibling photographs only apply to children enrolled at the school.

advancedlife would like to express our appreciation to SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE for placing your trust in us. Please remember we offer a 100% money back guarantee on our products to ensure your peace of mind. We would also love to receive your feedback or resolve any issues you may experience as fast as possible, to ensure your satisfaction. If you have any questions, comments or feedback relating to your advancedlife experience please contact us at enquiries@advancedlife.com.au

Thank you

Mr John Dalton

APA

Office News

2018 College Fees and Levies

Term 1 College fee statements will be processed within the next week and emailed out to all families. Statements will be emailed to families who have provided a valid email to the College. If you have not provided an email address, statements will be posted. If you wish to check your details or update your email, please log onto the School Portal or contact the College office. Families are welcome to contact the office to make payment earlier should they wish, however issuing of Term 1 statements will be delayed until secondary student electives and College bus rolls are finalised.

We would ask any families who wish to receive the 5% early payment discount on tuition fees, for paying the full year's fees in advance, to ensure payment is received by the College by 31 January 2018. Do not wait for your Term Fee statement - you must make the yearly payment before the due date to be eligible for the discount. Please contact the Finance Secretary, Briony Hoare, if you need assistance calculating the yearly payment amount. Payment can be made by BPay or to the office by cash, cheque or EFTPOS.

Families without a direct debit in place and wishing to use this payment method should contact the office immediately to start instalments now. The longer the period over which instalments are spread, the smaller the instalment amount. While the College will accept payments by instalment, we do need to know the amount and timing of these payments and our preferred payment method is BPay or Direct Debit.

Bus Travel

All users of the buses are asked to complete a Bus Travel form (attached to this newsletter) and available for download from the College website and return it to the office. Families who regularly use the College buses will be charged on their Term Fee Statement.

Casual Bus Users – Any students needing to travel on the Saint Mary's buses on a casual basis and who are not eligible for the Bus Fare Assistance Program (BFAP), which sees bus travel charges added to school fee accounts, will require a casual bus pass. 10 Trip Casual Bus Passes are available for purchase at the College office (except for the Blackbutt Bus Run – families will need to speak to the Purser's bus driver). Purser's Bus company has asked if we could advise parents that if your child doesn't have a pass by the end of Week 2 the drivers will not allow your child to travel on the bus. This ensures all children are accounted for. All users of the buses are asked to complete a Bus Travel form (attached to this newsletter) and available for download from the College website, and return it to the office.

Kind regards

Miss Kym Schultz

Business Manager

Campus Minister News

2018 - The Year of the Youth

I am very excited that the Church has declared 2018 as a Year of Youth. This year Campus Ministry at Saint Mary's will respond to this invitation by providing opportunities for students to respond to the church's invitation to engage in this Year of Youth. To read Pope Francis's letter to young people please visit <https://firepityouth.weebly.com/blog>

Firepit Youth Music Ministry Team

Our Firepit music ministry team is made up of students from Year 7- Year 12 who lead music at our Firepit Youth Mass. If your child would like to join the music ministry team please come see me at school. You can also contact me at the College. We practise fortnightly on Thursday afternoons.

Firepit Youth Mass is on once a month (the second Sunday of the month) at 5.30pm at St Mary's Church on Albert St. The Mass is aimed at high school students (although all are welcome) with contemporary songs and videos. You are welcome to come, receive and then eat pizza and enjoy friendship. The first Mass is on 11 February.

Sparks Primary Music Ministry Team

This year we are starting a music ministry team for those in primary school. Practices will be at morning tea or lunch during the school week. More information to come.

Firepit Youth Group

Youth group is on again this year. We have changed our afternoon to Monday fortnightly. DATES AND PERMISSION FORMS TO COME.

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Outreach Opportunities

- Orana aged care visits (Year 6 - Year 12)
- Meals on Wheels (Year 9 - Year 12)
- Community BBQ (Year 12)

Dates and permission forms to come

God bless

Miss Megan Schick

Campus Minister

Music Notes

Music Dates

Term 1

- Saturday 3 – Sunday 4 February
Julee-anne Bell Vocal Studio (lessons sold out)
- Saturday 3 February
6:30 - 7:30pm Masterclass: "Twice as Nice!" \$10pp, all welcome. Located in the Music Centre
- Wednesday 14 February
Commencement Mass: all Yr 9 - 12 Music classes plus Secondary Vocal Ensemble
- Saturday 24 - Sunday 25 February
Julee-anne Bell Vocal Studio (places available)
- Thursday 1 March
Kingaroy Eisteddfod entries close

Term 2

- Monday 7 – Wednesday 9 March
Kingaroy Eisteddfod (involves all students Yrs 1 - 6 and elective Music Yrs 9 - 12).

Music Tuition Program – commences this week

Our Music Tutors are scheduling lessons for current and new students. Please be aware that places are VERY limited, and are allocated on a "first come, first served" basis. Enrolment forms are available from Student Services. A copy of the form is also attached to this newsletter.

Enrolment: Please send the following information to the College – pskingaroy@bne.catholic.edu.au:

Student name
Standard/Years learning
Instrument/Voice
Preferred Ensemble

Ensemble	Ages	Time	Directors	Cost
College Orchestra **new**	Yrs 5 - 12	Wednesday 7:45 – 8:40am	Mrs Jo Kennedy Mrs Suzanne Mungall (Assistant)	\$40/term (payable to Mrs Kennedy)
Grant's Junior Guitars **new**	All ages	Tuesday morning tea	Mr Grant Jeppesen Mr Marty Perrett (Assistant)	\$40/term (payable to Mr Jeppesen)
Grant's Senior Guitars	All ages	Tuesday morning tea	Mr Grant Jeppesen	\$40/term (payable to Mr Jeppesen)
Advanced Primary Choir **new**	Yrs 4-6	Wednesday lunch	Mrs Jane Iszlaub	No cost
Secondary Vocal Ensemble	Yrs 7-12	Thursday lunch	Mrs Jane Iszlaub	No cost
Firepit Youth Liturgy Rock Band	All ages	Thursday 3:00-4:00pm (at specific times)	Miss Megan Schick Mr Bill Mulcahy	No cost
Sparks Youth Liturgy Rock Band **new**	All ages	TBA	Miss Megan Schick Mrs Jane Iszlaub	No cost
Senior Rock Band **new**	Secondary	TBA	Student led Mrs Jane Iszlaub (Supervisor)	No cost

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College Co-curricular Activities

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the Co-curricular Activities offered by various staff members to Primary and/or Secondary students. Involvement in co-curricular activities is a great way to encourage personal growth through involvement with people with similar interests. Doing so also assists with the development of “soft skills” such as teamwork, patience and commitment – plus, they’re a lot of fun. To involve your son or daughter in an activity or to find out more information, please contact the College Office.

“Les Miserables” Auditions

Congratulations to all of the students family members, and staff at the College who auditioned for the South Burnett Musical Comedy Society’s concert production of the classic musical, Les Miserables. Auditions can be very challenging and I was so pleased to see so many people from Saint Mary’s give it a shot. Well done, everyone!

Mrs Jane Iszlaub

Middle Leader - Co-Curricular Arts and Culture

From the Tuckshop

Friday Green Board Specials

Available both Morning Tea and Lunch

- Hot Dogs with Sauce and Cheese - \$4.00 each
- Chicken Rice Noodle Salad - \$4.00 each

QKR

QKR (our online ordering system) closes at **9am** every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

If your child is away the day of your order, you can cancel your order online up until 9am of that day.

Ice Blocks

If your child has ordered a ice block either through the online system or the bag system, s/he needs to come up to the tuckshop to collect the ice block after the 10 minute bell. They must have their bag with them. **Please remember that Years Prep to 3 may only order 1 ice block at a time.**

Volunteers

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

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
Caster or Brown Sugar
Tinned Pineapple Slices
Small Tinned Corn
Beetroot

These can be dropped into the Tuckshop on Monday, Wednesday, Friday or to the College Office.

New Item

Please note we now sell Peckish Plain Rice Crackers. These are gluten free and will replace the Red Rock Plain Chips. They are \$1.50 and are able to be ordered on QKR now!

Have great week!

Mrs Michelle Davis

Tuckshop Convenor

Whip Cracking News

Whip Cracking Practice

Starting Week 3 - Term 1 on Thursday Afternoons from 3pm - 4pm on the Primary Oval.

Kind regards

Mrs Lauren Arrell

Whip Cracking Coordinator

P&F News

There will be a lot of information being pumped out over the next few weeks for everyone to take on board so please make sure you follow the official Saint Mary's Catholic College [Facebook page](#) or the official [P&F engagement](#) page.

Don't forget the Family Fun Day will be on Sunday 3 February, 3pm to 6pm in front of the Maryknoll. Come along and meet new and old families and enjoy some fun with friends.

The first P&F meeting is scheduled for 20 February in the college board room. I urge all new and old families to come along to a few meetings during the year. I promise you they do not drag on all night long. Meetings run from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

If anyone would like to contact me please feel free to email me at drbmartoo@gmail.com or you can call me on 0408068485.

Blessings

Mr Damien Martoo

P&F President

Grant's Guitar Students

Grant's guitar students from last year, your lessons start this week. New students, your lessons will start next week.

Regards

Mr Grant Jeppesen

Guitar Tutor



Me, Myselfie and I Kids on Tour 2018 – FREE Family Fun Day

Choose your day: ON TOUR
Sunday 18 February, 2018 from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm or
Sunday 18 March, 2018 from 12.30 pm to 3.30 pm or
Sunday 22 April, 2018 from 9.30 am 12.30 pm

at 'The Studio', Wondai Regional Art Gallery, On the Roundabout, Wondai
Workshop is open to all children aged from 6 to 11 years

*All material & equipment is provided. *Morning Tea will be provided.
*Parents are encouraged to attend *Bookings are preferred

To register please call in at the Wondai Regional Art Gallery
or phone 4168 5926 with your children's names, ages and contact number

This project is supported by Gira Fairfax through the Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art Foundation
Presented in association with the 'Me, Myselfie and I' exhibition at the Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane.

WAGOMA TOURING Queensland Government
The Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art provides a program of touring exhibitions and related services to regional Queensland.

We are currently hiring new crew – are you interested?

Maccas Kingaroy are looking for highly motivated people to join the team. If you are looking for a job that is a fun way to earn money and work with your friends, along with flexible hours and heaps of opportunities, apply at <https://mcdonalds.com.au/learn/careers>



Play netball in QUEENSLAND

HAVE FUN. MAKE FRIENDS. GET ACTIVE.

Kingaroy Netball Association
Sign up Information

Ages 5 - 17 years
At the courts
Friday 9th February
3.30 - 5.30pm

Or Email kingaroynetball@yahoo.com.au
For an information pack.

All registrations are completed online
at kingaroy.qld.netball.com.au

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Kingaroy Junior Redbacks

“On-line” Registration is **NOW OPEN** for ALL re-registering and new players.

Go to www.myfootballclub.com.au and follow the prompts.

REDBACKS 2018 Season Launch- Thursday February 15th, from 4:00pm

This is a great opportunity to ask any questions and to try on / purchase any gear required at great prices. This will also be our first pre-season training session. So if you are unsure, come down and have a run, and ask any questions you might have. The Junior Redbacks committee will be on hand to help with any inquiry. The Launch will be held at the Junior Clubhouse located at Oliver-Bond Street (off Youngman Street).

Both boys and girls (turning 5 to 16 years) of any playing ability are encouraged to join the REDBACKS club.

For more information please don't hesitate to contact the club via email on kingaroyjuniorredbacks@gmail.com or via Facebook.

Both returning & new players are to “Register On-line” as early as possible so that organising of teams can commence.

Please also checkout our Website or Facebook for more details.

Calendar of Events

Thursday 1 February

College Swimming Carnival

Saturday 3 February

P&F Family Fun Day 3pm to 6pm

Tuesday 6 February

General Parent Information Evening 6pm

Wednesday 7 February

Year 7 Camp

StartSmart Financial Literacy Commonwealth Bank Prep-Year 6

Thursday 8 February

Year 7 Camp

StartSmart Financial Literacy Commonwealth Bank Prep-Year 6

Friday 9 February

Year 7 Camp

Wednesday 14 February

Opening School Mass 9am

Please note the office will be closed for Opening Mass

Tuesday 20 February

P&F Meeting 5.30pm

Friday 23 February

College Photo Day

Tuesday 27 February

Year 10 Information Night - Senior School Changes 6pm

Wednesday 28 February

College Board Meeting 5.30pm

Monday 5 March

Year 9 Reflection Day - Girls TBA

Wednesday 7 March

Year 9 Reflection Day - Girls TBA

Thursday 8 March

Choiez Media Presentation

Year 9 Reflection Day - Boys

Friday 9 March

Benedictine Awards 9am

Wednesday 14 March

Prep-Year 6 Arts Council Mathy Math Presentation 9.30am

Friday 16 March - Friday 23 March

Year 11-12 Exam Block

Tuesday 20 March

P&F Meeting 5.30pm

Wednesday 28 March

College Board Meeting 5.30pm

Thursday 29 March

Term 1 Completed

Monday 16 April

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 17 April

Term 2 Commences

P&F Meeting 5.30pm

Tuesday 24 April

ANZAC Day Liturgy 9am - 10.30am

Please note the office will be closed for the ANZAC Day Liturgy

Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30pm to 8pm

Wednesday 25 April

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Thursday 26 April

Musical Rehearsal 3pm - 4pm

College Board Meeting 5.30pm

Saturday 28 April

Rock and Roll Trivia Night 6.30pm

Monday 30 April

Year 12 Retreat

Tuesday 1 May

Year 12 Retreat

Year 7 and 10 Immunisations 11am

Wednesday 2 May

Year 12 Retreat

Thursday 3 May

Musical Rehearsal 3pm - 4pm

Friday 4 May

College Cross Country

Monday 7 May

Labour Day Public Holiday

Kingaroy Eisteddfod

Tuesday 8 May

Kingaroy Eisteddfod

Wednesday 9 May

Kingaroy Eisteddfod

Thursday 10 May

Musical Rehearsal 3pm - 4pm

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