



Saint Mary's Catholic College

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NEWSLETTER *Term 02 Week 01*

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From the Principal

Welcome back! I hope you had an enjoyable Easter break and that students feel refreshed and re-energized for the 11 week term ahead. It will certainly be a busy one, with lots of important events occurring. Term 2 includes the College Cross Country, ANZAC day services, the Kingaroy Eisteddfod, NAPLAN testing, our Year 12 Retreat, the College Musical and the College Athletics Carnival... just to name a few. With such a busy term ahead, I encourage you to keep an eye on our newsletters and our College Facebook page for information about what is happening. As parents, carers and friends of the College, you are most welcome to come along to events and support your child. In many cases, there are also opportunities to assist the organisers, so you are encouraged to contact the College if you are able to offer any help.

On Tuesday, we were privileged to have John Coutis present to all our students from Years 4 to 12. John's message is a truly powerful one. He speaks of courage, resilience, determination and joy and has turned his own personal challenges into an opportunity to empower others. John has an amazing view on life and presents in a way that is engaging and humorous. I encourage you to speak to your children about what they heard and learnt from John's presentation. You may also want to check out his website <http://www.johncoutis.com>

We welcome Mr Collier back from leave this term. He and Mr Freeman have the College Cross Country all organised for this Friday. Please come and join us if you can, and make sure you read the sports section of the newsletter for more information.

I would also like to warmly welcome two new teachers to Saint Mary's; Mr Peter Howard-Bain who will be replacing Mrs Tara Dunn while she is on Maternity Leave and Mr Ian Hall, who is our new INTAD teacher replacing Mr Mark Richard. Mr Hall joined us towards the end of last term and Mr Howard-Bain commences this term. I am sure you will make them feel very welcome.

All the best for the term ahead.

God bless

Mrs Angela Myles
 College Principal

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Rock and Roll Trivia Night



Saturday, 28th April 2018
 6.30pm for 7pm start
 at SMCC Maryknoll Centre.

\$80 per table (8 team members)
 Minimum contestant age is 18 years.

Bar and light snacks available.

Tickets available from SMCC College Office.



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Head of Primary News

Welcome back everyone! And welcome to our new students in Year 1 and 2 and welcome back to our returning students. I hope you had a restful break and the children are ready to go again for Term 2. It was lovely catching up with the children first day back and seeing the eager faces.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN is not about passing or failing, but about assessing learning progress. At the classroom level it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress.

Preparing for NAPLAN

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are already learning through the school curriculum. Teachers will ensure that students are familiar with the test formats and will provide appropriate support and guidance. Excessive preparation is not useful and can lead to unnecessary anxiety. If you have any questions about your child's preparation for NAPLAN, you are encouraged to make a time to speak with their teacher.

NAPLAN tests are constructed to give students an opportunity to demonstrate skills they have learned over time through the school curriculum, and NAPLAN test days should be treated as just another routine event on the school calendar. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to reassure them that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day.

ACARA does not recommend the use of commercial products, such as booklets and practice tests, to help your child prepare for NAPLAN tests. None of the commercial products currently on the market are endorsed by ACARA. The use of services by coaching providers is not recommended.

If you are concerned about your child sitting NAPLAN for any reason, please contact Ms Radcliffe Head of Primary, Mrs Sullivan Head of Secondary or Miss Kennedy Support Teacher Inclusive Education (STIE) to discuss how best we can support your child. If you have philosophical concerns or objections about NAPLAN please speak with Ms Radcliffe, Mrs Sullivan or Miss Kennedy.

Good luck with the Cross Country.

God bless

Ms Pam Radcliffe

Head of Primary

APRE News

Easter Liturgy

This Thursday the College will complete the Paschal mystery by celebrating Jesus' resurrection with a small liturgical drama. On the last day of term, Holy Thursday, we journeyed the Stations of the Cross together in a moving ceremony, with actors, dancers and narrators. We pick up this week with station 13 and 14 where Jesus is taken down from the cross and then laid in the tomb and most importantly we will portray symbolically His victory over death.

The message of Easter, the season we are now in, is one of hope and inclusivity. At His most vulnerable and in the darkest place a human could go, Jesus forgave all His persecutors, doubters and even those who may have been neutral bystanders. This, in itself, is a message of hope for **all**. It reminds us of our weakness as humans but the power we have to be forgiven and to forgive, and that these gifts are graced to us by God.

I would like to invite all members of our community to come and celebrate this special occasion with us. It will start at about 12.20 pm on Thursday in the Maryknoll Centre.



Kind regards

Mr Martin Perrett

APRE

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Office News

Term 2 Fee Statements will be issued to families this week and will be due for payment in full by Friday, 4 May unless you have a formal payment arrangement in place with the College. Your Fees Statement will be emailed to you if you have provided a valid email address, otherwise it will be posted. You can update your email address via the Parent Portal. If you have any concerns regarding your account, including instalment payments, please contact Finance Secretary, Briony Hoare in the office. While the College will accept payments by instalments, we do need to know the amount and timing of these payments and it's preferred that these instalments be done via Direct Debit or BPay.

Kind regards
Miss Kym Schultz
Business Manager

Campus Minister News

Firepit Youth Camp

Friday, 27 April – Saturday, 28 April we are heading to the Sunshine Coast for our next Firepit youth camp. On Friday night we will attend a youth event called "Activating Joy", with Fr Rob Galea (*x factor* contestant) and Emmanuel Worship (a well known Catholic contemporary band). We will stay the night at St John's College in Nambour, cook up a good breakfast and then head to the beach. Permission forms and information can be collected from me, Miss Megan Schick.

Youth Group

Youth Group is on every second Wednesday from 3pm-5pm. We meet at school and walk over to the Church Hall where we eat afternoon tea, play games and learn about the Catholic Faith. At 4.30pm we have Adoration of the Blessed sacrament. The students spend this time receiving and being still. Our Youth Group is growing in size. We enjoy each others company and grow in faith and love for others.

Every second Wednesday from 3-5pm starting Wednesday, 18 April – permission form

Firepit Youth Mass

The second Sunday of every month during term time at 5.30pm at St Mary's Church on Albert Street starting **Sunday, 13 May**. The Mass is aimed at high school students with contemporary songs led by our Firepit music ministry. Students and families are welcome to come, receive and then eat pizza and enjoy friendship. If you would like to join the music ministry team we practise fortnightly on Thursdays.

Firepit Youth Music Ministry Year 7 – Year 12

This term we will be practising every second Thursday afternoon from 3pm to 4.30pm in the music room. Our first practice is on Thursday, 3 May.

Outreach opportunities for students

We believe our students have the capacity to help others to "realise their dignity" so we give them opportunities to put faith into action and to have a voice in the community.

- Orana Aged Care: Year 6 - Year 12

Every second Thursday from 3-4.15pm starting **Thursday, 26 April – permission form required**

- Meals on Wheels: Year 9 - Year 12

Once a month on Friday – permission form

- Community BBQ: Year 12 only – permission form

God Bless
Miss Megan Schick
Campus Minister

Sports News

Welcome back to Term 2! We have a busy schedule of sporting carnivals and representative events coming up this term for both primary and secondary students. The first College carnival fast approaching is the Cross Country which will be held this Friday, 20 April. Please see the attached schedule for times and distances of events.

Primary students will be allowed to come to school in their house colours in attire appropriate for running, including joggers.

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Secondary students must come to school in their College sport uniform and are welcome to get changed into their house colours at lunch time. Please remember that it is an expectation at both the representative and school level that all athletes must have a hat.

To avoid disappointment for your child can you please assist by supporting they have a hat on the day.

Saint Mary's Cross Country - Friday 20 April 2018

Students who are 5-13 year olds will be given coloured wrist bands to wear on the day to assist with identification at the finish line (10-year-old students will not wear one).

TIME	AGE GROUP	DISTANCE
11:45-11:55am	Assemble on the large soccer field, end of Primary buildings	
11:55am	5 Years (born 2013) Orange	750m
12:00pm	6 Years (born 2012) Yellow	750m
12:05pm	7 Years (born 2011) Blue	750m
12:15pm	8 Years (born 2010) Red	750m
12:20pm	9 Years (born 2009) Green	750m
12.45-1.15pm	LUNCH	LUNCH
1.15-1.30pm	All 10-Opens Meet in the MKC ASAP	
1:35pm	16 Years, 17 Years & opens BOYS **	6 000 m
1:40pm	13 Years (born 2005) Orange	3 000 m
1:45pm	12 Years (born 2006) Yellow	3 000 m
1:50pm	11 Years (born 2007) Blue	3 000 m
2.05pm	16 Years girls & Opens GIRLS (and 16 years & open boys who did not nominate for 6km)	4 000 m
2.10pm	15 Years (born 2003)	4 000 m
2:15pm	14 Years (born 2004)	4 000 m
2:20pm	10 Years (born 2008)	2 000 m
2:45-2:55pm	Pack Up & Regular Period 6 class	

**** 16 Years & Opens boys must nominate to run the 6 000 m distance**

Times and distances are indicative only

Yours in sport

Mr Scott Collier and Mrs Isaac Freeman

Sports Coordinators

Music Notes

Upcoming Dates:

- Monday, 7 May - Wednesday, 9 May 2018
Kingaroy Eisteddfod (involves all students Years 1-6 and Elective Music Years 9-12)
- Sunday, 13 May 2018
Firepit Youth Mass from 5.30pm

New Music Tutors: Mr Madden and Mrs Bell

I would like to start this week's Music Notes by welcoming Mr Greg Madden and Mrs Julee-anne Bell to our Music Tuition Program. Mr Madden is teaching Drum Kit and Mrs Bell is teaching Singing. Both of our new tutors are professional musicians and have extensive experience in the music industry. Mrs Bell has been teaching at the College once a month on weekends for the past year and is commencing lessons on Fridays this term.

To enrol in lessons, please collect an enrolment form from the College office. The appropriate tutor will contact you once your form is submitted.

Music Tuition Program Update

Please note the following information:

- lessons commence this week
- although this week includes several variations to normal routine (guest speakers, Cross Country etc.), lessons will continue as scheduled. Please remind your child to bring his/her instrument and music.
- a new Music Information Booklet is available from the College Office. Please collect a copy if you would like to know more about this important College program.

New Sound Equipment

I am so grateful to the College P&F for funding the purchase of eight new wireless headset mics and other sound equipment. These will be used in the forthcoming production of Peter Pan Jr.

Kingaroy Eisteddfod Dates

- Monday, 7 May
Instrumental and vocal solos, duets and trios. (Please note that this day is a public holiday.)

- Tuesday, 8 May
 - Grant's Senior Guitars
 - Firepit Youth Rock Band
 - Secondary Vocal Ensemble
 - Secondary Vocal Ensemble (Hymns)
- Wednesday, 9 May
 - Year 4 String Immersion Class Orchestra
 - Primary String Quartet
 - Grant's Junior Guitars
 - Year 5/6 Choir (dressed in pirate costumes)
 - Advanced Primary Choir
 - Year 1-3 Primary Choir
 - Guitar solos (after school)

A program with greater detail will be released next week. Please remember that the Eisteddfod is very flexible, and if parents/carers are rearranging work commitments to attend, it is advised to allow extra time before and after the scheduled performance time. All students except for the Year 5/6 Choir are to wear full formal College uniform.

State Honours Band

Congratulations to Trinity Miller (flute) and Oliver Rees (trombone) who were selected to attend the State Honours Band in Toowoomba this weekend. Have a wonderful time performing really difficult music with other advanced musicians.

Yours in music

Mrs Jane Iszlaub

Middle Leader - Co-Curricular Arts and Culture

Saint Mary's ANZAC Liturgy

If any College families have photos of family members who have served in the Defence Forces, we would love to include them in our annual ANZAC liturgy.

Please send your photo as an email to Mrs Bron Martoo, blangford@bne.catholic.edu.au and then add a description with the names of anyone in the picture and a brief service record.

I will print them up and have them on display at our liturgy. This is a special tradition that we have here at Saint Mary's and the students really love seeing their own family members on display.

Kind regards

Mrs Bronwyn Martoo

Secondary Teacher

From the Tuckshop

Friday Green Board Specials

Available both Morning Tea and Lunch

Taco Boat - \$4.00 each

Chicken & Gravy Roll - \$4.00 each

QKR

Please ensure you have updated your child's class and year level on 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.

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

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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.

Item Unavailable

If an item your child has ordered is not available we will substitute, after consultation with your child, with an item of equal value.

Have great week!

Mrs Michelle Davis

Tuckshop Convenor

Sacramental Program

If your child has received the sacrament of Confirmation in 2017 or earlier, the celebration of **First Eucharist** is happening in the first two weekends of June 2018. There is a **parent information session for Eucharist on Thursday 26 April at 2.00pm in the boardroom of Saint Mary's Catholic College and repeated in the parish hall of St Mary's church that same evening at 6.00pm**. Please come along to receive more detailed information, the books and to register your child. There is a \$30 fee to cover the cost of the books, medals and certificate.

If your child (9 years or older) wishes to receive the **sacrament of Confirmation** this year 2018, the Bishop will be celebrating the Mass and sacrament in **Our Lady Help of Christians church in Nanango on Sunday 24 June 2018**. Father Chukwudi Chinaka would like to share the celebration between the two churches. It was in Saint Mary's church in 2017. **The parent information session for Confirmation is Thursday 3 May at 2.00pm in the boardroom of Saint Mary's Catholic College and repeated in the parish hall of St Mary's church that same evening at 6.00pm**.

Please come along to receive more detailed information, the children's books and to register your child. There is a \$30 fee to cover the cost of the books, medals and certificate. There will be quite a lot of information at the meetings, about the expectations of parents to assist their children to prepare and participate in the respective activity sessions (once on a Saturday) and weekly Masses over that time.

From the Parish

Especially for Kids

St Mary's 10am Mass

Children's Liturgy - Every Sunday

Children/Family Mass - Sunday, 20 May

Love kinds and want to help them understand the Gospel? Why not join our Children's liturgy team?

Chat to Suzanne on 0499 527 830, Marty or the Parish Office on 4162 5121.

Fire Pit Youth Mass

Held the second Sunday of each month from 5.30pm at St Mary's Church Kingaroy. Pizza and drinks available for gold coin donation.

Next Mass - Friday, 13 May.

St Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul are in need of casual volunteer truck drive for small deliveries. Please contact Heather at the Vinnies shop on 4162 5099 for further details.

Parenting Seminar

South Burnett Ministries extend an invitation to all for a free **Parenting Seminar**.

When: Saturday, 28 April from 9am - 12.30pm and Sunday, 29 April from 10am.

Where: 2 Ivans Street, Kingaroy.

For more information please call SB Ministries on 4162 5824.

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Fortnight at a Glance

Thursday, 19 April

Musical rehearsal - 3pm to 4pm

Friday, 20 April

Cross Country

Monday, 23 April

Parent Teacher Interviews - Kingaroy - 3.20pm to 8pm

Tuesday, 24 April

ANZAC Day Liturgy - 9am - **Please note that they office will be closed from 9am to 10.30am for this event.**

Wednesday, 25 April

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Thursday, 26 April

Musical rehearsal - 3pm to 4pm

Parent Teacher Interviews - Murgon - 4pm to 6pm

College Board Meeting - 5.30pm

Friday, 27 April

Prep excursion to Barambah Environmental Centre

Friday, 27 April - Saturday, 28 April

Firepit Youth Camp

Saturday, 28 April

Rock and Roll Trivia Night - 6.30pm

Tuesday, 1 May

Year 7 and Year 10 Immunisations

Community Notices

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APRIL 20

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6PM START
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Sales in Sync
School Chaplaincy Fundraising event
24th April
Kingaroy Satellite Cinema
Drinks & Nibbles 6:00pm Movie 7:00pm
Adults \$18 Children (12 & Under) \$13
Tickets available from Elroy Jewellers

Friday the 4th May 6pm till 9pm

Friday Night Live

Activities
Sandbox Games
Xbox
Gymnastics
Pool Table

Activities
Table Tennis
Jumping Castles
and Much More

Canteen
Drinks
Hot Food
and more

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Drop off 7pm
Wamboina: 5:30pm drop off
7:15pm

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