



# Saint Mary's Catholic College

SOUTH BURNETT

## NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 5

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### *Dates to Remember*

**Thursday, 6th November**

- Orana Visit  
3.15pm to 4.15pm
- Chess Club  
3.15pm to 4.15pm
- Tutoring  
3.15pm to 4.15pm
- Celebration of the Arts 6pm

**Friday, 7th November**

- Senior Arts & Modern History  
Excursion - Brisbane

**Sunday, 9th November**

- P&F Working Bee 7am

**Wednesday, 12th November**

- Mass 8.15am  
Multi Media Room
- Year 6 Camp  
Emu Gully

**Thursday, 13th November**

- Orana Visit  
3.15pm to 4.15pm
- Chess Club  
3.15pm to 4.15pm
- Tutoring  
3.15pm to 4.15pm
- Year 6 Camp  
Emu Gully

**Friday, 14th November**

- Year 6 Camp  
Emu Gully

- Year 4 Excursion

**Tuesday, 18th November**

- P&F Meeting 7pm

**Wednesday, 19th November**

- Year 3 Violin Concert  
12.40pm Maryknoll Centre
- Year 12 Valedictory  
5pm at Kingaroy RSL

**Friday, 21st November**

- Year 12 Valedictory Mass  
9am Maryknoll Centre

**Tuesday, 25th November**

- Peace Child Performance  
6pm Maryknoll Centre

### *From the Principal*



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Saint Mary's,

Last weekend, I popped in to see Sr Dolores (Dolly) Carroll who was the first secondary Principal of Saint Mary's back in 1965. **Sr Dolly celebrated her 101st birthday** on Tuesday, November 4. Many past and present staff, parents and students have wished Sr Dolly a happy birthday on our Facebook page. Last year, when Sr Dolly turned 100, we celebrated her birthday by naming the Sr Dolores Carroll Trade Training Centre in her honour. In her time as Principal, Saint Mary's students had to go to Kingaroy SHS to access Manual Arts. Sr Dolly fought hard to try and get a Manual Arts facility for Saint Mary's.

*May Saint Mary, Help of Christians and St Benedict's blessings be with Sr Dolly as she celebrates her 101st birthday. We pray with thanks for Sr Dolly's contribution to our College community. Amen.*

I would like to congratulate all of the students who were recognised at last week's Presentation Night. It was a wonderful evening. I was extremely pleased to see the breadth of our students' talents. Thank you to Mr Erwin, Mr Dalton, Mrs Hauritz and all of the staff who assisted in setting up, preparing and supervising this important evening.

I would like to congratulate all of our Major Award winners:

P&F Academic Competition Awards P-6  
Junior Sportsperson of the Year  
ADF Long Tan Leadership & Team Work Year 10  
ADF Long Tan Leadership & Team Work Year 12  
P&F Academic Competition Awards Years 7-10  
P&F Academic Competition Awards Year 11-12  
P&F Academic House Award  
USQ Citizenship Award  
USQ Year 10 Academic Excellence Awards  
USQ Year 11 Academic Excellence Awards  
Duke of Edinburgh Award  
College Board All Rounder Award  
Carroll Award for Diligence Winner  
Lions Trainee of the Year  
Aunty Daisy Deadly Achievement Award  
Sportsman of the Year  
Sportswoman of the Year  
South Burnett Regional Council Dux of the College  
Tom Lambert Award for Excellence in the Arts  
Mary MacKilliop Award  
College Christian Living Winner

Emily-Rose Clancy  
Ned Madden  
Alexander Firman  
Gabriel Crane  
Lachlan Dolzan  
Thilini Ranasinghe  
Quinn  
Emma Howley  
Alexander Firman  
Kyle Raabe  
Richelle Bethke & Anekah Hinchliff  
Cassandra Firman  
Bridget McDonald & Madison Crane  
Stephanie Ross  
Nakita Kirby  
Ryan Jacobs  
Clare Adcock and Jayde Novak  
Thilini Ranasinghe  
Brittani Merton  
Cooper Pennell  
Thomas Carney



On Saturday, I joined our Whip Cracking team as they marched in the G20 Cultural Parade at Southbank. It was wonderful to see our students demonstrating our rural culture in front of thousands of people. We marched with the fabulous Crackup Sisters who entertained the crowd en route. I was glad to reach the end of the parade with the only casualty being Elke Frecklington's hat which decided to take a swim in the Brisbane river. Thanks to Mrs Arrell and all of our parent supporters who made this event possible.

At Tuesday's assembly, we welcomed Snr Constable Todd Armstrong as our College's new Adopt-a-Cop. Acting Inspector Lance Guteridge represented the Qld Police Service and witnessed Snr Constable Armstrong's oath to be a good Adopt-a-Cop by taking the time to both educate and listen to the students he is serving.

Thank you to all of our parents and carers who joined us for our *Understanding Child and Youth Sexuality* parent evening. It was an extremely enlightening and sometimes challenging evening, but I am certain that all of the parents and carers left better able to deal with this sometimes tricky but important topic.

We will hold our annual *Celebration of the Arts* evening at 6pm, this Thursday in the College's Maryknoll centre. I would encourage all parents, carers and staff to come along and join in this celebration of our talented students. At this week's assembly, we recognised the many students who have been awarded Visual Arts prizes through exhibitions at many universities and galleries. I am always amazed at our students' incredible depth of talent.

At our assembly, we also had a sneak peek at a song from the upcoming *Peace Child* production. I am very grateful to Mrs Collins and staff members who are putting on this production for our Prep – Year 6 students. *Peace Child* will be performed at 6pm on Tuesday, November 25.

Yours in Christ

*M. Nayler*  
Mr Michael Nayler  
Principal

### *Deputy News*

#### Being Respectful-Social Media

Students need to be aware that the language we use towards our colleagues is very hurtful or helpful. Most students speak to each other in a friendly manner at school.

It has come to my attention over the past couple of weeks there have been various social media conversations that are definitely in the harmful area.

I urge students to once again be aware that your "digital footprint" is NEVER erased and can be accessed by employers, etc at any time if needed.

If a social media argument spills over in to the school arena I will apply normal school rules to deal with the issue, even though it had nothing to do with school!!

I urge parents to monitor conversations that their children are having with their school mates, particularly those students in Years 8 and 9.

Students in these year levels need a break from day to day issues and unfortunately this does not happen if we engage in social media conversations after 3pm until late in the night. Parents need to take phones/iPads/laptops away from students at an appropriate time (9pm or earlier), as we are told by Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) experts that 2 hours is needed for the electronic stimulus to be negated. Being a young teenager can be highly confusing and emotional. Having an argument on social media is completely inappropriate and causes great stress to all concerned and also causes loss of valuable sleep time, something teenagers need more than ever.

Please discuss this important issue with your child and monitor his/her internet/social media usage.

#### Presentation Night

Congratulations to all the awardees who received certificates, trophies and medallions last Thursday night.

I would like to extend a special vote of thanks to Father Nigel for his excellent speech and words of wisdom regarding the value of a good education.

Any students who were absent on the night can see Mr Dalton to collect their awards. Most were given out after assembly yesterday.

#### Celebration of the Arts

Please come along and support this wonderful night of celebration. The talent on show will totally surprise you and the entertainment will be "A standard".

See you there at 6pm in the Maryknoll Centre.

God Bless

Mr Sean Erwin  
Deputy Principal



## *APA News*

Parents and Students should note that as of next week, we are in the serious exam and reporting period of the semester.

### Exams

Most Year 7-12 exams will take place over the next two weeks. Students have now received their exam timetable, which allows students to plan for the best use of their time to do revision and general exam preparation. During the next few weeks, the College has imposed restrictions on other events during the school day. This obviously provides a period of stability for students and teachers.

### Semester 2 Reporting and Year 12 Documents

Students in Prep to Year 11 will receive a Semester 2 report in December this year. This report will be of the usual format, and contain a Semester 2 academic result for each subject, and also a description of the student's effort. Report comments also describe the student's academic attributes, include some affirmations or recommendations, and also describe the student's classroom behaviour.

Year 12 students will receive their Senior Education Profile (SEP) in late December. This will come directly from the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) and will contain a Statement of Attainment (a list results for each subject), an OP score and QCS result (for OP eligible students only) and also a Qld Certificate of Education (if the student has fulfilled all the eligibility requirements).

Regards

Mr John Dalton

APA

## *APRE News*

### The challenge in our motto

I believe we owe a great deal of gratitude for the wise person or persons who decided on our college maxim – Realise Your Dignity. The more experiences I have in education and in life, the more challenged yet intrigued I become with the concept of dignity. It is underwritten by an equally difficult fact: God's humanity. The fact that Jesus was fully human and fully divine is a very inclusive concept that invites us all to a form of communion.

Yesterday Year 9 launched the Saint Vincent De Paul Christmas appeal. Vincentians believe that they have to leave God to help God and that God exists in the here and now, in the everyday, especially in the poor and marginalised. The winning prize in a past Vinnies Art Competition was the picture of a face and the saying, "How can we worship God on Sunday and ignore him on Monday?". This sentiment supports the revelation that God exists in the people and opportunities around us.

Last night the staff attended a very insightful presentation by Brisbane Catholic Education on the sexuality of students. The very challenging content was really about 'the human condition'. I wonder how much of the human feelings and issues that we spoke about last night would have also challenged Jesus. Sitting in the audience and looking up at the motto that covers the wall in our hall, 'Realise your Dignity', I was reminded that we need a deep understanding of own humanity, our motives, fears, strengths and flaws to get any glimpse of the dignity of others. The fact that Jesus led a human life and triumphed over evil, the most influential person in the history of the world, is a huge invitation to us to look for the good, or the 'God' in ourselves and in others.

Regards

Mr Martin Perrett

APRE

## *Counsellor News*

This will be my last newsletter contribution for this year as I will be on long service leave for the rest of 2104. While I am quite excited at the prospect of extended holidays (yes even longer than usual) I have some regrets at missing the end of the year with all the students, especially the year 12s many of whom I have known for 10 years. I wish all students and families much peace and happiness for the rest of the school year and the holiday break. While I am away I will be replaced by Brian Bird. He has worked in Catholic Schools both locally and in Brisbane and comes highly recommended. If you need to contact him please do so through the College office.

I hope you have enjoyed and been challenged by some of the items I have put in the newsletter. I highly recommend any articles or books written by Fr Richard Rohr, Mark Nepo, and Brené Brown.

I will leave you with an article I gave you in July by Brené Brown.

She describes "wholehearted" families where each of us can continually learn and grow as we reach our full potential, including:

- Cultivating worthiness in families – the knowledge that we are each always worthy of love and belonging
- Vulnerability – the key to true connection
- Engaging in creativity and play as a family
- Practising gratitude and joy in the home
- Respect and hard work in a culture of "fun, fast, and easy"

*realise your dignity*

"It's actually our ability to embrace imperfection that will help us teach our children to have the courage to be authentic, the compassion to love themselves and others, and the sense of connection that gives true purpose and meaning to life."

With sincere kindness  
Mr Graham Turnbull  
Guidance Counsellor

## *Curriculum News*

### **Primary Swimming**

A reminder to all parents that all students need to wear a swim shirt (rashie) for sun protection. Students should have some footwear to wear to and from the pool for safety and comfort (hot bitumen and stones) reasons.

A big thank you to Jenny Lutz our swimming coach who is braving the water for the whole day as the classes come through. The little breaks between classes and her lunch break seem inadequate at times to deal with the cold and chlorine. So thank you Jenny for your commitment to the swim program for our Preps to Year 6. We appreciate your professionalism and care with all the children.

Regards  
Ms Pam Radcliffe  
Early Years Coordinator

## *Classroom News*

### **Year 8 Home Economics**

This week is a cooking demonstration. Students need to bring their workbooks to class.

Next week is a practical cooking lesson. Students need to bring their recipe planners, workbooks and a plastic container to bring their food home in.

Thank you  
Mrs Angelique Arden  
Classroom Teacher

## *Music News*

Come along and support music, drama, dance and art students this Thursday night at the Celebration of the Arts in the Maryknoll Centre starting at 6pm.

Regards  
Mr Michael Scanlan  
Music Teacher

## *St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal*

*It's almost Christmas and Saint Vinnies' Christmas appeal is on once again! Collection baskets have been placed in each of your children's classrooms, so if you have any spare non-perishable items or want to donate Christmas presents or decorations, you'll be helping over 2,000 Australian households that will be doing it tough this Christmas. Christmas presents however cannot be wrapped. Thank you in advance from the year 9s. No one should have to miss out on Christmas!*

## *The Peace Child*

### **Rehearsals**

Monday, 10th November - All cast members - 3.10pm to 4.30pm  
Wednesday, 12th November - All cast members - 3.10pm to 4.30pm

It is important that all attend.

Regards  
Mrs Tamara Collins  
Performing Arts Teacher

## *Tuckshop News*

### **Friday specials are as follows:**

Morning Tea & Lunch  
Roast Beef and Gravy Roll \$3.50

Lunch Only  
Macaroni Cheese \$3.50

There are NO pies, party pies or sausage rolls sold on Fridays.

***realise your dignity***

Students are asked not to bring \$50 notes to the tuckshop, as we don't always have enough change.

### Volunteer

Friday, 7th November - Jessica Langley

Monday, 10th November - Volunteers needed

Wednesday, 12th November - Volunteers needed

### Tuckshop Orders

Paper bags are available from the tuckshop for 5c. It is not ideal to put tuckshop orders into plastic bags, as the hot food could melt the bags. If possible please do not sticky tape or staple your orders as it is difficult to remove them from bags without tearing them.

### Donated Items

Donations of self raising flour, castor sugar or beetroot would be greatly appreciated. Thanks to everyone for their kind donations of food and time.

Regards

Mrs Michelle Davis

Tuckshop Convenor

## *Whip Cracking News*

South Bank River Boardwalk in Brisbane was the stage for the Saint Mary's Whip Cracking Team last Saturday afternoon as part of the G20 Cultural Celebrations Parade. The team was kindly invited by the "Crackup Sisters" (Amanda-Lyn, Alyssa and Katie) to be a part of their comedy whip cracking act at the parade. The team of 10 students proudly showcased their whip cracking talents alongside the hilarious "Crackup Sisters". Thousand of people lined the boardwalk to watch the parade and were impressed with the students' unique performing arts and sporting talent. What an amazing event to end the whip cracking calendar year.

This will be the last whip cracking event for the year, and wow what a year it has been (considering this team only started 12 months ago). They certainly have packed a lot into their year. The students were opening act in the Main Arena at Rural Discovery Day (RNA Grounds), EKKA Stockman's Bar and Grill as a Full Day Performance and Competition, Pumpkin Festival Competition, Jandowae Timber Festival, Jondaryan Wool-Shed, Jackie Howe Festival Performance, Totally Wild Television Show, Nanango Music Muster, Chinchilla Grandfather Clock Campdraft Performance, SMCC Rock ON Stage. Many thanks to all the students involved who have given up numerous lunchtimes and weekends for practices and performances this year and are such a fantastic group of students who have represented our school with so much talent and pride. Thankyou to Mr Paul Sims who gives his time and talents so generously. To the parents who have given so generously to bake stalls and transporting your children to events on weekends and to Mr Erwin and Mr Naylor who have supported the Whip Cracking Team in their ventures. Thankyou.

Looking forward to more exciting events next year,

Kind Regards

Mrs Lauren Arrell

Whip Cracking Coordinator

## *P&F News*

Hi everyone. Just a quick reminder that this Sunday, 9th November the P&F will be holding its last working Bee of the year. Please come along and support it as many hands make light work. With the weather warming up we will start at 7am and finish at 11am with morning tea provided.

Blessings

Mr Damien Martoo

President

# Annual Presentation Ceremony



*realise your dignity*



# G20

# Whipcracking Performance



# Celebration of the Arts



Nibbles served from 6pm

Thursday

# NOVEMBER 6 2014

6pm - 8:30pm

Saint Mary's Catholic College - Mary Knoll Centre



6pm Doors open  
6-6:30pm Art Gallery Display  
6:30-8:30pm Music, Drama & Dance Performances

Come along and support the amazing talent on showcase at Saint Mary's!

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# BLACK AND WHITE

Quiz  
Night

Proudly brought to you by  
**ST PATRICK'S NANANGO**

**15 NOVEMBER 2014**

**6.30 PM**

The most colourful thing in the world is  
black and white,  
it contains all colours and  
at the same time excludes all.

*Intrigued?*

FOR INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM CONTACT OUR OFFICE  
4163 1555

Kingaroy Netball Association

Born 2000 to 2004?

Interested in trialling for a 2015 Rep Team?

Squad training starts Sunday, 9th November

2.30pm to 4.00pm

at

Kingaroy Courts

No need to nominate, just turn up!

See our facebook page for more details.



## LOST



Missing from  
Hodgeleigh (Nanango)  
Desexed female  
dalmation, no collar  
or chip.  
Please phone Graham if  
you find her  
on 0427 140 619

# Kingaroy Christmas Carnival



**Sponsorship and  
Volunteers needed**

The Kingaroy Christmas Carnival is on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014** from **5pm to 9pm**.

It costs just over \$20,000 each year to run the carnival and believe it or not, on the night, we generally have between 50-60 helpers.

This includes the committee (12), SES staff on rotating shifts (up to 15), ticket stall helpers (8), raffle ticket sellers (6), costume helpers (6). We have volunteers who blow up our balloons, members and other volunteers who help with setup and pack-up, all our entertainers are volunteers.

If you are interested in **volunteering**, please give our Project Coordinator **Will Johnson** a call on **0408 644 460** or email the committee [sbyoungleaders@live.com.au](mailto:sbyoungleaders@live.com.au)

If you can **assist with sponsorship** by way on monetary donations, gift vouchers, products or know someone who can help, please call **Tina Torrens** on **0417 010 292**. More details on our website.

We meet the second Tuesday of every month. The next meeting is on at the Carrollee at 6pm -9pm, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014 in the meeting room.

Visit our website for further information [www.kingaroychristmascarnival.com](http://www.kingaroychristmascarnival.com)