National Child Protection Week
The following information was accessed from http://napcan.org.au/ncpw/

National Child Protection Week invites all Australians to play their part to promote the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. “Protecting children is everyone’s business.” Launching on Father’s Day every year National Child Protection Week, now in its 26th year, supports and encourages the safety and wellbeing of Australian children and families through the Play Your Part Awards, events, programs and resources.

NAPCAN’s campaign aims to provide communities and individuals with practical information on how to ‘Play Your Part’ and to embed primary prevention messages into social discourse. It also provides a platform for communities to be empowered, resourced and mobilised to take action at a local level.

One of the key things we can do to Play our Part, is to build communities in which children are seen and heard, where their participation is valued and where their families can get the support they need. Stronger families and communities contribute to keeping children safe and well.

There are lots of supportive resources available on the NAPCAN website. The following tips come from one of their many brochures designed to help families navigate the challenges of parenting.

Ways to Boost a Child’s Confidence:
• Spend time talking about everyday things. Have family meals
• Exercise outdoors together
• Watch your child as they participate in sport, concerts etc.
• Encourage your children to see mistakes as part of growing up
• Avoid arguing with your partner in front of the children.

And as they become teenagers:
• Don’t ‘impose’ your opinions on your teenagers. Be interested in their different ideas, even if you don’t agree
• Young people need space and time alone, so allow your teenager to have some privacy
• Remember that adolescence is an emotional rollercoaster... encourage them to talk about their worries
• Talk with your teenagers about personal safety, like how to say ‘no’ to anyone who suggests abusive or unsafe behaviour. Teach them about internet safety
• Let them know that if they get into trouble or tricky situations, you will support them to do what’s best
• Let your child know that you are interested and available whenever they need you. No matter how independent they may seem, adolescents still need their parent’s support and understanding

And don’t forget to give yourself a pat on the back for being a great parent!
This week, many students will be knee deep in assessments and exams. As the anxiety levels rise, remind them to carefully plan how they use their time, seek help when they need it, and also ensure that they eat a healthy diet and get plenty of sleep.

God Bless
Mrs Angela Myles
College Principal
As we draw near the end of term three, I pray for the staff in P-6 who have been unwell this term. Mrs. Greenslade is still unwell and won’t be returning for the remainder of the term. Mrs. Delvyn Poweys will be teaching the two days a week in Year 6A and Year 6B. Mrs. Katie Mangan our Year 5 teacher while on the mend, will not be returning for the rest of Term 3. Miss Emily Jarrett will be joining us as the Year 5 teacher for these last two weeks of Term 3. It has indeed been an unusual Term. Ms. Celia King and Mrs. Leesa Johnston will be returning in Term 4.

Under 8s Day
Our Under 8s day is Thursday 15th September. We have the police, SES and this year the Rural Fire Brigade coming to speak with the children about the roles of these community agencies and how they help the community. This will be from 9.00am to 10.30.

Term 4 will be busy with various events. Check the calendar for dates. We have final assessments and report cards, music tuition program evening, the awards night P-12, Year 6/Year 7 Orientation Day, Prep Orientation days, Year 6 Rite of Passage evening, the revised swim program, and our Christmas Concert and Cent Raffle in the last week of Term 4.

Parent volunteer child safety induction.
On 13th September 9.00am there is a parent volunteer child safety induction session here at Saint Mary’s College. Any parents who wish to volunteer at the school need to participate in a parent volunteer child safety induction session. This will be run by Mr. Graham Turnbull our Guidance Counsellor. This is necessary for any classroom work or working with children e.g. the pool.

Swimming
Swimming has been revised for a number of reasons. It has been cut down from two weeks to one week and the focus is on water safety rather than swimming lessons. More information will follow early in Term 4. Parent volunteers will be called for to help out in the water. There will be a volunteer form for the pool going home in Term 4. Swimming will be in week 5.

Kind regards
Ms Pam Radcliffe
Head of Primary

Head of Secondary News

Prayer for Preparation to Study
Lord, I know you are with me and love me.
Give me peace of mind as I prepare for this time of study.
Help me to focus on my books and notes,
keep me from all distractions so that I will make the best use of this time that is available to me.

Give me insight that I might understand what I am studying,
and help me to remember it when the time comes.
Above all, I thank you for the ability to be able to study and for the many gifts and talents you have given me.
Help me always to use them in such a way that they honour you and do justice to myself.
Amen

I would like to wish all students in Year7 to Year 12 best of luck in their exams this week.

Congratulations to Sajeewa Ranasinghe who has been accepted into the 2016-2017 Young Scholars Program at the University of Queensland. This program will assist Sajeewa in gaining acceptance for University in 2018. As a school we can be very proud that a student in Year 11 has achieved such consistently excellent grades to gain acceptance into this program.

God bless
Mr Sean Erwin
Head of Secondary

APRE News

Mother Teresa - ‘Saint of the gutters’
Mother Teresa, a Catholic nun who devoted her life to helping India’s poor, has been declared a saint in a canonization Mass held by Pope Francis in the Vatican.

When I was going to school in the late 70’s and 80’s Mother Teresa was probably the most famous Catholic I knew of. In fact she came to Brisbane when I was in grade 6 and I remember being extremely jealous a student from my class was picked to fly down to meet her. I knew that she dedicated her life to the destitute of Calcutta, but what resonated with me was she actually worked for a time with people with leprosy. I knew this was a horrible disease and I remember the word was outlawed in many places because of the stigma attached to it. If it became socially unacceptable to talk about, imagine actually having it.

Mother Teresa said that being ‘unwanted’ is a far more serious condition than having leprosy and in the face of the current global refugee crisis and increasing domestic homeless figures her sentiment rings true. If we are to ‘think global but act local’ I wonder who the ‘leppers’ of our community are and what contemporary solutions there maybe to this scourge.

The following is a list of paradoxical commandments and this version was found on the wall of one of Mother Teresa’s homes, often referred to as the ‘anyway’ poem.

**People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered.**  *Forgive them anyway.*  
If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives.  *Be kind anyway.*  
If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies.  *Succeed anyway.*  
If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you.  *Be honest and sincere anyway.*  
What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight.  *Create anyway.*  
If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous.  *Be happy anyway.*  
The good you do today, will often be forgotten.  *Do good anyway.*  
Give the best you have, and it will never be enough.  *Give your best anyway.*  
In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

Kind regards  
Mr Martin Perrett  
APRE

**Campus Minister News**

**NET team visit** on Friday night went really well, the team facilitated a mini retreat session giving us a taste of what they do on NET and also why they have given a year to mission in the church. This included a skit and drama, games and a faith sharing and time for reflection. The students really enjoyed the night and the community was greatly encouraged.

**Youth Group** is on next Tuesday afternoon at 3pm until 5pm, if your son or daughter want to attend please hand in permission forms.

**Samoan Youth** will be running a camp through St Mary’s Church from the 16th – 18th of September. They are visiting from Brisbane and staying to experience the faith life in the country. Young people are invited to attend if they want to. More information to come.

**Ignite Conference** is on these school holidays 22nd – 25th in Brisbane. Registrations close on Friday. Visit [www.igniteconference.com.au](http://www.igniteconference.com.au)

God bless  
Miss Megan Schick  
Campus Minister

**Counsellor News**

Our next Parent Volunteer Course will be held on Tuesday, 13th September from 9am in the College Boardroom.

Regards  
Mr Graham Tumbull  
Guidance Counsellor

**Uniform Shop News**

With swimming starting soon don’t forget we have swimming caps in the Uniform shop for $7.50. If you are unable to make the opening times we have our new ordering system QKR. QKR 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 or into the Uniform shop and I can assist you. Uniform Shop opening hours are Wednesday 8am to 11am and Thursday 1pm to 4pm.

Kind regards
Mrs Joanne Bellert
Uniform Shop Convenor

Library News

Access to thousands of free E-books and Audio Books
An email was sent to all families last week with important information about how to access the Brisbane Catholic Education Digital library. Through this, your child has access to thousands of free e-books and audiobooks. All you need to do is download the Overdrive-Library eBooks and Audiobooks app on your mobile device. (iPads, phones, tablets etc.) Included in the email was your child’s school email address and password. However, it is only the first part of this that is needed eg. bhope in bhope@mybce.bne.catholic.edu.au, for your child to take advantage of the wealth of resources via Overdrive. E-Books/audio books can be downloaded (at a very minimal usage) on devices. Many of these resources are a part of the Accelerated Reader program too! The email address and password are useful to use the school portal and Oliver (our own library system) to search for resources as required.

Please see me in the library if you require any extra help with this amazing resource!

A thank-you Book Fair
Next term, in Week 2 there will be a promotional Book Fair to say thank-you to all the families and staff who have so wonderfully supported us each year. This Book Fair is a “Buy One Get One Free” promotion. It is great timing coming up to Christmas for you to be able to get presents or grab a bargain. Whilst families/staff are able to donate the second book to the library as an option, I am more than happy for this Fair to be for your family and friends. The Book Fair will be in Room 23 (behind the library) each morning and afternoon in Week 2 (10th-14th October).

2016 SMCC Chess Competition
This week, over 50 students will compete against each other in the Saint Mary’s Chess competition. The competition is open for Year 3-12 students and will be held in Room 23 at morning tea. A roster of the games has been posted up on the library windows and students are also being notified about their upcoming games through daily notices. The competition will result in a Primary School and Secondary School winner.

Yours in reading
Mrs Melanie Burr
Teacher Librarian

Music News

Approaching Events
- Thursday, 8th September – Kingaroy Art Gallery Opening (special guest Mr Michael Bryce AM AE), selected student performers
- Friday, 30th September at 5:30pm – Wondai Art Gallery Opening Night (part of Cherbourg & South Burnett On Show), selected students
- 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)
- Thursday, 27th October at 6pm - Annual Presentation Evening (Senior Vocal Ensemble, Senior Chamber Orchestra, String Immersion)
- Thursday 3rd November at 5:30pm - Annual Celebration of the Arts (Maryknoll Centre)

Art Gallery Performances – Kingaroy and Wondai
A merry band of Music students will be performing at the opening of the Bryce Exhibition at the Kingaroy Art Gallery on Thursday. This includes the College Senior Orchestra and selected students from Years 10-12. The students will have a second opportunity to perform at the Wondai Gallery on Friday 30 September. Students can nominate to participate in this event by speaking to me directly.

‘Little Shop of Horrors’ Update
It was wonderful to see so many Saint Mary’s families in the audience at the Little Shop of Horrors performances over the weekend. The entire set, cast and crew relocates to the Brolga Theatre in Maryborough for one final matinee show on Saturday, 10 September, which will be a great learning experience for our young (and not-so-young) performers. Next year’s Musical is The Wizard of Oz. I will let our Saint Mary’s community know the date for auditions as soon as it is set.

**Topology and The Australian Voices**

Saint Mary’s Music students will have the rare chance to work with professional musicians from contemporary chamber group, Topology, as well as Gordon Hamilton and The Australian Voices - one of Australia’s only professional choirs. The visiting musicians will be workshopping student compositions as part of their ‘Top Up’ program in preparation for the combined Topology/TAV/SMCC Show, ‘The Singing Politician’, to be held in the Maryknoll Centre on Friday, 21 October, 7pm. This is such a coup for a regional school of our size. You can find out more and book tickets at topologymusic.com

**Year 3 Music**

The students of Year 3 have been learning a new language in Music – Latin! We have a new song entitled, “Light of Light”, which the class is learning in preparation for Christmas. (Yes, we’re starting even earlier than the shops) The song includes three Latin phrases – Adoramus te (‘We adore you’), Benedictimus te (‘We honour you’), and Laudamus te (‘We praise you’). Our pronunciation sounds so authentic now that we could possibly be mistaken for Ancient Romans. We hope families and friends get to hear the result of our hard work a little closer to Christmas.

Yours in music
Mrs Jane Iszlaub
Music Coordinator

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**Tuckshop News**

**Friday Specials**
Available both Morning Tea and Lunch

- Pasta Bake - $3.50
- Savoury Mince Rolls - $3.50

**Price Rise and Discontinued Stock**
Grainwaves are no longer available.

**PRICE RISE:** Frozen Jewels (Grapes) are now $1.00 effective immediately

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

***There are NO Pies or Sausage Rolls sold on Fridays.***

**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.

**Tuckshop Menu**
Please ensure that you have the current 2016 Menu. If you have misplaced your menu, they are available from the 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 or pop into the tuckshop and I will be able to assist you.

Have great week!
Mrs Michelle Davis
Tuckshop Convenor

**Adopt-A-Cop News**

Some of you may be wondering what is an Adopt-A-Cop? What do they do? Why is there a police presence at Saint Mary’s Catholic College?

One of the roles of the Adopt-A-Cop is to support, strengthen and develop positive relationships between police and members of the school community.

Primarily police are on site to:
- Assist in relevant classroom presentations (in partnership with teachers)
- Attend key college events
- Address the College assembly (on invitation)
- Attend graduations and presentation nights
- ‘Drop In’ visits at morning tea/lunch breaks
- Attend meetings when required.

Please feel free to say hello if you see me around the college grounds at any time.
If any member of the school community would like to contact me, they can do so through the College office or telephoning the Kingaroy Police Station on 4160 4900.

Warm regards
Senior Constable Todd Armstrong

Year 7 & 8 Mathematics Challenge

Last Thursday night nine selected students from Year 7 and 8 competed in the South Burnett Mathematics Challenge. Both teams displayed a wide range of problem solving strategies and higher order thinking skills. Overall our teams came third in both divisions and represented our school with pride and dignity.

I would like to thank all of our competitors and their parents for coming along on the night and our wonderful Mathematics teachers Ms Joanna Dunn and Mr Julian Connelly for preparing the students.

Kind regards
Mrs Angelique Arden
Year 7 to Year 9 Teaching and Learning Leader

Leadership Camp News

I am so grateful to be able to work with a professional team of colleagues who can take up the challenge and run with it. The benefit that was imparted to the YR 11 students from this solid commitment from staff was invaluable. It was great to see students preparing for their final year at St Mary's and taking the lead last Tuesday and Wednesday at Camp Duckadang.

FR Nigel was able to openly share his life, faith and understanding on spiritual leadership while being open to accepting students for where they were at. FR Nigel celebrated Mass with students after they completed a range of activities that focused on collaborative communication and team building.

Students appreciated a wealth of professional knowledge and skills shared by Ms Angela Myles, Mr Marty Perrett and Ms Megan Schick. Ms Ellen Inwood couldn’t have picked a better group of students to share her birthday with. She delighted in FR Nigel’s spontaneity (acting as a dumb mute) in throwing the rope back to the students who were in pursuit of crossing the gorge during the afternoon activities.

Ms Rachel McNamara offered her time at late notice when she could see that there was a need to be met in supervising the girls overnight. She took special pleasure in participating in the Drum Beat program. Nathaniel from Rhythm Culture kept the camp site alive on Wednesday with collaborative rhythms that integrated beat with team spirit.

The privilege of working with such a team is so reassuring and professionally stimulating. Lookout, the YR 11’s are raring to take up the challenge.

Kind regards
Mr Paul Fomiatti
Year 10 to Year 12 Student Wellbeing Leader

Career and Employment Transition Coach News

AgConnect Field Day for Year 9 & 10 students

The College has received an invitation for students to attend an AgConnect Field Day at the Kingaroy Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Kingaroy Research Station, 214 Kingaroy-Cooyar Road on Friday, 9 September from 9.30am to 2pm. The focus is on years 9 & 10 students, however other year level students may also attend.

What is an AgConnect Field Day?
The AgForce School to Industry Partnership Program (SIPP) runs AgConnect opportunities which bring secondary school students together with specific local agricultural and related industries. On an AgConnect field day, students are exposed to a range of local industries and given an overview of the industry and how it fits in to the wider scope of agri-business. On the day there are a variety of presentations, interactions and opportunities for students to be engaged with the wide variety of agricultural industries in our region. This allows students a glimpse of industry, conditions and a range of careers, and the opportunity to talk to employees and employers; which can lead to further discussion in class and with careers counsellors.

If students are interested to attend then parents and carers need to make their own arrangements for travel to and from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Kingaroy Research Station as the College is not running this as an official excursion. Students still need to wear their full college uniform as many other students from other schools will be attending.

* Important: Parents and carers please contact Stephanie Denman directly at the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Kingaroy via the following contact options: Telephone 4160 0725 / mobile 0431 862 373 / or email stephaniedenman@daf.qld.gov.au

Kind regards
Ms Trudy Byrnes
Careers and Employment Transition Coach

**Year 12 Mums**

Year 12 mums are invited to “Drinks and a Chat” at the Kingaroy Motel this Friday between 5pm and 7pm (Haly Street entrance bar area). Please phone Anna Patroni on 4163 5180 for more information.
Thursday, 8th September  
Lunchtime Chess in Library

Friday, 9th September  
Lunchtime Chess in Library

Saturday, 10th September  
12yrs Girls WB Cricket Trials
Trivia Night 6.30pm at SMCC Maryknoll Centre

Sunday, 11th September  
12yrs Girls and Boys WB Cricket Trials

Monday, 12th September  
WB Athletics
12yrs Girls and Boys WB Cricket Trials
13-19yrs WB Track and Field Trials
Lunchtime Chess in Library

Tuesday, 13th September  
Year 6 Reflection Day
Year 12 Valedictory Sausage Sizzle, Lunch time from Maryknoll Canteen
13-19yrs WB Track and Field Trials
WB Athletics
12yrs Boys Cricket Trials
Lunchtime Chess in Library
Community BBQ 5.30pm

Wednesday, 14th September  
Lunchtime Chess in Library
U15 T20 Cricket

Thursday, 15th September  
Under 8s Day – Emergency Services visit Period 1 & 2
Lunchtime Chess in Library

Friday, 16th September  
Benedictine Awards 2pm

Term 3 Completed

Monday, 19th October  
Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday, 20th October  
Book Fair Starts

Wednesday, 21st October  
Book Fair
Whole School Assembly
Community BBQ

Thursday, 22nd October  
Year 9 Arts Excursion to QPAC
Book Fair Finishes

Friday, 23rd October  
ASTI Graduation Mass
Kingaroy Blue Light Disco

Monday, 26th October  
Pupil Free Day – No School

Tuesday, 27th October  
P&F Meeting 7.00pm

Wednesday, 28th October  
Domestic Violence Presentation Year 11 & 12

Thursday, 29th October  
Music Tuition Program Evening 6pm

Friday, 30th October  
Prep to Year 6 Swimming Carnival

Monday, 2nd November  
Term 4 Completed. School finishes at 12.30pm
The Rotary Club of Taabinga is conducting its **ANNUAL BOOKARAMA** sale of second hand books on 17th and 18th September in the Kingaroy Town Hall. We would love to see you there. Prices start from $2 to $5. Special rates apply to children’s books.

We are looking for donations of quality books in good condition. These can be delivered to J.A. Carroll Solicitors, Elders, Ken Mills Toyota and the box outside Big W or you can phone Graham Jenkins on 0417 070 141 for pick up after 29th August. We find it difficult to sell magazines, readers digest and old school text books. Unfortunately we are forced to dump many of these.
Kingaroy Blue Light Association

The scariest ever...

Blue Light Disco
14th October 2016

Entry Free
Kingaroy Town Hall
6:30pm to 9:30pm

Registration – Saturday 17 September 2016
3:00pm to 10:00am at Kingaroy Golf Club

Miscellaneous:
- Free sausage sizzle during registration
- $5.00 per junior to register
- Certificates and prizes awarded to all participants on the final day.

Clink commences
Saturday 24 September 2016 8:00am - 9:30am
then every fortnight Saturday to 17th December 2016.

Please feel free to use the following contact details for further information

Junior Coordinator: Kieran Carney 0437 131 577
Email: kingaroyjuniorgolf@yahoo.com

Facebook: Kingaroy Junior Golf
Kingaroy Golf Club: Judy – 4162 1720

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Kingaroy Junior Golf

Get your kids the best start in junior golf. The Kingaroy Junior Program is for boys and girls under 18 years of age. The clinic will run on a Saturday morning each fortnight from 8:00am – 9:30am and will include learning the following skills:

- Hitting balls on the range
- Putting
- Short game
- Playing holes

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 Thịnlye Community Orchestra

presents....

10th Anniversary Concert
"Music from Stage & Screen"

Featuring:
SBCO members past & present
Chinchilla Concert Band & Strings

6.30PM
SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER
KINGAROY TOWN HALL
SAUSAGE SIZZLE IN FORECOURT FROM 5.30PM
TEA & COFFEE AVAILABLE AT INTERVAL
Raffles

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