

Newsletter

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From the Principal

BUSY TIME

I have often thought that St Joseph's College is the school that never sleeps. There are always activities available that engage our students. While I am always grateful when parents comment on the quality of our facilities, I think the best aspect of our school is the quality of our staff and the rapport they have with their students. St Joseph's staff have great aspirations for their students and rejoice in their progress. They are generous with their time and energy and are always striving to improve their students and their own teaching skills.

As an example of this generosity, consider the activities that took place this week. One of our Netball students dominated the game. This was no accident, but due to the many hours of pre-school training that our Head of Sport, Debbie Newton, has provided. She and Karin McKenzie manage these girls to a high level of commitment and performance. Our staff also spends long hours tutoring, coaching, supporting and inspiring students.

We are all blessed to live and work in a community with so much generous good will. It is the people that make any organisation. It is our village that raises our children.

PLANNING TIME

Our College Leadership team worked with our facilitator, Ken Averell, on Monday and Tuesday to begin to formulate our new Plan for 2018. Members of the College Leadership Team have contributed to a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats analysis which will assist us in our planning.

More of this will become evident over the next term as our planning for 2018 becomes more robust and concrete.

QUIET TIME

Nowadays many people have discovered the benefits of mindfulness or meditation. It is so refreshing to empty your mind of worries or distractions. A.A. Milne said: *"Sometimes I sits and thinks and other times I just sits!"*

None of us can work every hour of every day without having an impact on other parts of our lives. We know that we need to sleep well, eat well and socialise well if we are to maintain a healthy lifestyle. People who have balance in their lives are more productive and happier. Steven Covey in '7 Habits of Highly Effective People' tells us to "sharpen the saw". We need to continually renew our energy if we want to create a productive, long-term lifestyle. Covey talks about exercise for physical renewal, prayer or meditation and good reading for mental renewal and service to society for spiritual renewal.

This week's reflection:

"Be still, and know that I am God."

Yours sincerely,

Nicholas Lynch, Principal

COLLEGE BOARD MEMBERS WANTED

A number of vacancies have arisen on the College Board, and applications are sought for parents to join this valued group. If you have an interest as a parent in joining the College Board, please contact Ms Cleary (4631 8502) for information and paperwork.

GRANDPARENTS DAY



Thursday 27th July
Mass, morning tea and concert beginning at 9.35am
RSVP: 21st July, including dietary and mobility needs





Breakfast Club

Thank you to Mrs Billingham and our wonderful Year 11s for their support of Breakfast Club. Our last Breakfast Club for the term is next Wednesday. Thank you to A5 in anticipation of your support and attendance next week.



Grandparents

On Thursday 27th July, the College community will celebrate Grandparents Day with a Mass, morning tea and concert. Please RSVP to jramage@sjc.qld.edu.au or call 4631 8500 with numbers, dietary and/or mobility needs.

Rosies

Inspired by the Gospel, Rosies reaches out to be present with those most abandoned. Earlier this term, Rosies changed the design of the t-shirts and jumpers that are worn by the volunteers. So, as a way of recycling this fabric, we will make teddy bears to donate back to Rosies. Interested Year 11 students can collect a letter from Mrs Marshall or me on Monday and bring the permission note with them on Tuesday. **Practicalities of the Activity:**

- Tuesday 20th June 2017 from 3.15pm – 5.00pm
- Home Ec. Rooms; BYO shared afternoon tea

Rosies Urgent Requests

- Family Assorted Biscuits
- Cordial – preferably no added sugar
- Cup of soup and noodles
- Paper towels



Lantern Parade

The spectacular LUMINOUS Lantern Parade lit up South Bank on Friday 9th June with a dazzling array of over 400 lanterns, many of which were made by community groups and schools. Students and staff from St Joseph's College attended this event as a show of welcome for new Queenslanders, including refugees, international students, people seeking asylum and migrants.

The parade wound its way through South Bank Parklands where our small but energetic groups received supportive comments and cheers. We were delighted to hear a proud voice from the crowd proclaim "Hey St Joseph's I am an old girl of Joeys". There were hugs and exclamations when she realised that her former teacher Mr Saide was present.



Some of our students were also involved in carrying the Rainbow Serpent Lantern for MDA (Multicultural Diversity



Australia) Toowoomba.

Plans are underway for next year's event including a huge lantern; maybe not as big as the pictured elephant but still as impressive.

Thank you to Megan Pretorius, Chelsea Low, Dayna Southam, Isabelle Gates, Lachlan Brown, Eleanor Anderssen, Brent Pedernal, Megan Fanning, Mahala Pemberton and Skye Burey and to our dedicated and generous staff Heather Hagemann, Chris Fitzpatrick,

Winnie Atzeni, Gerard Saide, Beth Moloney, Megan Puhakka and Kellie Ford. Thank you to Mr Saide for our fantastic photographs. As always thanks must go to our Office staff for their work behind the scenes with first aid, risk assessments and excursion details. I would especially like to thank the staff from Toowoomba office for their offer of seats on their hired bus. Without the support of all these people, events like this would be impossible to offer to our students.



Winter Appeal

Just a reminder to bring along winter clothes and/or blankets for our Winter Appeal. Our SVDP bin will be with us until the end of July. Let's make an effort to fill every couple of days. So far, donations have been limited so I am hoping next week and in the first couple of weeks of next term, we can show our SJC spirit of 'serving Him in others'.

(Julianne Rasmussen, AP – Mission)

Curriculum Matters

Year 9 and 10 Electives for Semester Two

All Year 9 and 10 students have received a note outlining their electives for Semester Two.



Please Note:

- If you wish to make a change to these subjects, students you must see Mrs Fellenberg with a NOTE from their parents. Parents can also email Mrs Fellenberg (kfellenberg@sjc.qld.edu.au).
- No changes will be made without parental approval.
- Changing into other subjects will depend upon class sizes.
- Students can only study ONE subject on any given line as classes on the same line run concurrently.
- All Year 10 students will study three electives in Semester 2, 2017.
- All Year 9 students will study two electives in Semester 2, 2017.

All requests for changes to electives must be finalised by **Monday 19th June**.

If you have any questions please contact me at the College.

Report Cards

Please note, Semester 1 report cards will be posted during the holidays, with information provided about upcoming Parent Teacher interviews. These interviews will be held on Tuesday 18th July from 3.30 – 6.00pm, as per the College Calendar.

(Kerrie-Anne Fellenberg, AP – Curriculum)

The Diary

Day	Date	Event
Friday	16 th June	Exam Block concludes
Monday	19 th June	Year 11 Kitchen Operations Course
Tuesday	20 th June	Year 11 Kitchen Operations Course
Tuesday	20 th June	Board Meeting 7.00pm
Tuesday	20 th June	Tara Visit
Wednesday	21 st June	Tara Visit
Wednesday	21 st June	Year 7 and 8 Shake n' Stir 9.00am – 10.00am
Wednesday	21 st June	Year 9 and 10 Shake n' Stir 10.00am – 11.00am
Wednesday	21 st June	Boys Choir/Junior Band/String Ensemble Community Performances
Wednesday	21 st June	Biology Camp departs
Thursday	22 nd June	Year 10 Retreat
Thursday	22 nd June	Year 12 Geography Field Trip
Thursday	22 nd June	Year 12 Kitchen Operations Excursion
Thursday	22 nd June	Biology Camp returns
Thursday	22 nd June	Semester 1 concludes 3.00pm
Friday	23 rd June	Student Free Day

Tuckshop Roster June

Monday	19 th June	→	No help required
Tuesday	20 th June	→	No help required
Wednesday	21 st June	→	No help required
Thursday	22 nd June	→	No help required
Friday	23 rd June	→	Student Free Day

DO YOU NEED EXTRA HELP? DEPARTMENT TUTORIALS

SUBJECT	DAY	TIME	PLACE
English	Mondays	3.15 – 4.00pm	Reading Area - Library
Mathematics	Wednesdays	3.00 – 4.00pm	Library
Science	Tuesdays (except when there is a Science staff meeting – students are notified via the morning notices).	3.20 – 4.30pm	Room 23
Japanese	Day 2 and Day 8 (not Wednesdays)	Lunch time	Room 5
Arts – Music (Music Theory tutorial)	Wednesdays (and also upon request)	7.30am	
Arts – Drama, Arts – Visual Art, French, Geography, Physical Education, Legal Studies	On request		

SAFE DRIVE TRAINING

Each year we organise participation in a Driver Safety Program through Safe Drive Training at their training venue at Willowbank. The course aims to improve driving skills and teaches how not to become part of someone else's accident. It will run on Sunday 8th October at a cost of \$195.00, which includes bus transport to/from Willowbank, departing St Joseph's at around 7.00am and returning approximately 5.00pm.

To participate, students need to hold either a Learners Permit or Provisional Licence by that date. Enrolment forms are available from the Front Office.

To avoid disappointment in not being part of this great opportunity, forms and payment must be received by **Wednesday 13th September**. No forms will be accepted after that date. We are also looking for at least two parents to volunteer their time to accompany the students. This could be a lifesaving opportunity.

If you would like your son/daughter to participate and/or are interested in helping with supervision, please contact Jodie Ramage on 4631 8506.



Uniform Shop 4631 8514

UNIFORM SHOP TRADING TIMES:

- » Tuesday - 7.30am – 10.30am
- » Wednesday - 1.00pm – 4.00pm
- » Thursday - 7.30am – 10.30am

Uniform Shop Winter Holiday Trading Times

- Monday 3rd July 10.00am – 3.00pm
- Tuesday 4th July 10.00am – 3.00pm



School-based Apprenticeships/ Traineeships

Please see Ms Masters in the Voc. Ed. room if you wish to apply for any of these positions. Work experience may be required before a successful applicant is selected. Please ensure that an opening letter is attached to your resume when applying for these positions.



- **Certificate III in Hospitality.** Qi'Lin Restaurant Toowoomba has two positions available for enthusiastic and reliable students with good people skills. Applications close 16th June.
- **Certificate III in Hospitality.** Ooh La Latte at Withcott is seeking a friendly, customer-focused student who is willing to learn about the hospitality industry. Applications close 16th June.
- **Certificate III in Hospitality.** Subway Toowoomba has four positions available for students who have great customer service skills and are committed to self-improvement, to experience a fast-paced, service-focused position. Applications close 16th June.
- **Certificate III in Hospitality or Business (including Retail Packages).** Helidon Spar Supermarket is seeking two motivated and well-presented students who have good people skills and are interested in customer service. Applications close 16th June.
- **Certificate III in Hospitality or Business (including Retail Packages).** Seafood and Pizza Café at Withcott has two positions available for motivated, friendly and customer-focused students to join them in a new business venture. Applications close 16th June.
- **Certificate III in Hospitality or Business (including Retail Packages).** Moreton and Cootes Pharmacy is seeking two reliable, customer-focused students interested in working in a busy Pharmacy to work on a Friday and Saturday. Applications close 16th June.
- **Certificate III in Business.** A local gift shop has a vacancy for a Year 10 or 11 school-based trainee to work one day per week. Applicants should be interested in a business career path, have a positive attitude, and also be reliable, punctual and a quick learner. The successful applicant will learn customer service techniques, product recommendations, point of sales systems, effective communications, teamwork and workplace health and safety practices. Applications close 21st June.
- **Certificate III in Business Administration.** Drayton Medical Centre has a vacancy for a Year 11 school-based trainee to work one day per week. The successful applicant's responsibilities will include: data entry, customer service through phone, email, fax and in person, mail collection and distribution, following company policies, diary management, ordering and maintaining stationery and kitchen supplies, filing, photocopying and maintaining the office. Successful applicants must have excellent communication skills, understand confidentiality, have intermediate computer skills, be able to use MS Office and be efficient in typing. Applications close 21st June.

Careers in Disability Expo

The South West WorkAbility Queensland working group is holding a Careers in Disability Expo on Friday 15th September from 10.00am – 2.00pm at the Clive Berghofer Pavilion at the Toowoomba Showgrounds. This will incorporate Toowoomba Fresh Futures Market. All welcome.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Traineeship

Family members, please be aware of the below traineeship opportunity for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged between 21-24 years of age:

Certificate III in Business Administration Traineeship (12 Months)

Working for the Indigenous Youth Mobility Pathways Project, you will be a mature-minded, reliable and conscientious person who will assist the Co-ordinator with the day-to-day running of the office situated in Toowoomba. A car licence would be highly regarded. Please email a cover letter and your resume to tanyam@ceagroup.com.au or phone 0401 326 668 for further details.

New SBA Sign-ups



Pictured above is Alexandria Humphries with Mary Tanous from Moreton and Cootes Pharmacy. Below is Ambreen Muhammad Musa with Leigh-Ann Geddes from Aurora Training Institute.



(Angela Masters, Voc. Ed. Coordinator)

FROM THE CAREERS COUNSELLOR

Careers Event	When	Who
Bond University Information Evening	Tuesday 11 th July	Interested students
TSXPO - Brisbane Showgrounds	15 th and 16 th July	General public
Bond University Twilight Open Day – Gold Coast Campus	Saturday 22 nd July	Open to all
Australian Catholic University Open Day – Brisbane	Saturday 22 nd July	All welcome
Griffith University Open Day (Gold Coast, Nathan and South Bank)	Sunday 23 rd July	Open to all
QUT Open Day – Gardens Point Campus	Saturday 30 th July	Open to all
USQ Indigenous Connections – Toowoomba Campus	Tuesday 10 th October	TBC

(Fabiana Wilson, Careers Counsellor)



Music Notes

Opera at the Empire

Have you ever thought you'd like to see an opera or take your children to one?

***The Marriage of Figaro* is coming to the Empire Theatre on Tuesday 18th July at 7:30pm.**



The Empire Theatre and Opera Australia is offering the College tickets for \$8.00 and these are available for any staff, parents, students and friends.

One of our own students, has gained a place in the Opera Australia Toowoomba Children's Chorus and will appear on the Empire Theatre stage in *The Marriage of Figaro* with professional opera singers at this performance. Aylish Ryan auditioned and gained a place in the 24-strong choir.



The Marriage of Figaro is lots of FUN! It is being sung in English and tells a wicked and cheeky story of mischief and love.

Mozart's brilliant opera *The Marriage of Figaro* follows the adventures of a household over one crazy day. Masters are lusting over their servants, servants are outwitting their masters - Figaro is the Downton Abbey of opera, but a whole lot more fun!



Award-winning creative duo Michael Gow and Robert Kemp have created a brand new production, featuring stunning period costumes and a clever set. A talented chamber orchestra and chorus of local children will accompany some of Opera Australia's finest singers performing Mozart's beautiful music.

In a wealthy household in Seville, Figaro is marrying Susanna, but the Count wants to seduce her first. Marcellina wants Figaro and the Countess just wants her husband back. But Susanna is smarter than all of them. After a crazy day of disguise and duplicity, will she get her happily ever after? Find out when Mozart's comic masterpiece comes to Toowoomba. It's a delightful night out at the theatre!

It's easy to book: simply pay your \$8.00 directly to the Front Office (or buy more tickets if you like) and the school will organise a large group booking. All are welcome.

Recommendation: Personally, I love the opera, *Marriage of Figaro*. It is perhaps my favourite of operas. I teach it in the classroom too, as I find it's easy for the students to understand and has a fun story.

(Madeleine Minns, Performance Leader)



Sports News

New Zealand Hockey

Congratulations to Will Coll, who is no



longer a shadow umpire but has been invited to tour New Zealand as an umpire with the Queensland team.



This is fantastic news and great to see umpires recognised for all their hard work.

Primary Range Athletics

The primary Range athletics trials take place on 14th August. Nominations have now been called through me so any student wishing to nominate may do so. There are limited positions available.

Events include 80m, 100/200m 800m, long and high jumps, shot put and discus and the multi event. You cannot be turning 13 this year to compete.

(Debbie Newton, Sports Leader)



Manual Arts Department

Examples of Design work in Graphics and Shop A

Pictured below are some completed student projects from Years 10, 11 and 12 students in the Graphics Department: Infant's play toy, scale model of a ute, redesign of an existing product (desk), and personalised design of a phone case.



Students use the schools' 3D printers as a prototyping tool, which enables students to see and touch their completed design.



Above are some completed design projects from Year 9 TWA (Shop A).

(John Hodges, Manual Technology Leader)