Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!
Welcome to Term 2! I hope that the school holidays gave all students a chance to rest, re-energise and spend time with both family and friends. I also trust that the Easter Season presented us with the opportunity to visit our local parishes for prayer, reflection and celebration.

Official announcement from Mr Stephen Gough - Mission, Vision, Motto & House Patrons
Please see the newsletter item and announcement below from Mr Stephen Gough, Executive Principal of the All Saints Precinct Project. The Mission, Vision, Motto and House Patrons of All Saints Catholic College (K-12) have been confirmed for 2020!

Staff Development Day - Monday 29 April
Term Two commenced for staff last Monday with professional learning focused on improving student writing. During the day, we looked at literacy being a collective responsibility across all Key Learning Areas, as well as concentrating on the writing process. In all, it was a productive and worthwhile day that was very well facilitated and organised by Ms Samantha Marshall (Leader of Teaching and Learning) and Ms Grace Pilkington (Literacy Coordinator).

At All Saints, we show up!
About twelve months ago, I wrote in this newsletter about student attendance, with particular attention given to the end of term. While we’re not quite there yet, we’re certainly moving in the right direction. In 2018, our attendance rate on the last day of Term 1 was just over 73%, while it was up to 83% this year. Thank you to the students, teachers and families who have supported my stance in this area, and I look forward to further improvement as the year progresses. Rest assured that the absences from the last day of Term 1 this year are all being followed up.

ANZAC Day Dawn Service - Bigge Park
The three All Saints schools were once again represented at this year’s ANZAC Day Dawn Service in Bigge Park, Liverpool. Various members of our Student Representative Council (SRC) combined with students from the primary school and Senior College at 5.00am that day. The students were well dressed in their Winter Uniform and represented our community with distinction, particularly when they laid a wreath in honour of those who have served our country in times of war. Their presence at this important community event was greatly appreciated.
Project Compassion Fundraising
Congratulations to the entire school community for raising $4419.80 for Project Compassion this year. That is $1192.10 more than last year! The money will be donated to Caritas Australia to continue this organisation’s valuable work in helping to end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. Well done to Year 10 (under Ms Riga’s and Mr Silva’s leadership) for leading and promoting this traditional fundraising initiative. The Student Representative Council deserves special mention for their creativity, enthusiasm, hard work and promotion of various activities. They set a target of $4000 and managed to go well past this with the school community’s support. Well done!

NAPLAN & Semester One Examinations
The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests for Years 7 and 9 commence next week on Tuesday 14 May and extend through until Wednesday 22 May. Please note that ours is one of many schools that will be conducting these tests in an online format in 2019; thus, there is greater flexibility around the schedule than in previous years. I would like to wish all Year 7 and Year 9 students the very best for these important diagnostic tests; they provide valuable information in relation to students’ learning progress, particularly in the areas of reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. More detailed information about NAPLAN has already been sent home with each Year 7 and Year 9 student. Year 9 families should note that NAPLAN tests are not linked to the minimum standard of literacy and numeracy for the Higher School Certificate (HSC). All HSC students will now meet the minimum standard through short online tests in reading, writing and numeracy, and these tests can be taken in Years 10, 11 or 12.

The Semester One Exam Timetable has been published and shared with students in Years 9 and 10. While there might not be an official examination period for students in Years 7 and 8, there are still formal assessments (in-class or hand-in) scheduled in the weeks ahead. The next few weeks in the classroom will be crucial for all students to adequately prepare themselves for these tasks.

Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea - Wednesday 22 May
By now, all College families should have received a letter in relation to the second instalment of an All Saints community event - Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea. While the All Saints Parish will host and drive much of the organisation of this event, the three All Saints schools will also be closely involved. Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea is Cancer Council’s most popular fundraising event and moves into its 26th year in 2019. The All Saints community’s involvement in hosting a morning tea is seen as a wonderful opportunity to bring people together, while recognising and raising money for a cause that affects many families.

The All Saints version of Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea will be held in the Parish Hall (48 George Street, Liverpool) from 10.00am-1.00pm on Wednesday 22 May. If you can help out in any way, it would be greatly appreciated. Ways of contributing include cooking a sweet or savoury treat, serving at a food or drink stall, making a donation to http://nsw.cancercouncilfundraising.org.au/PaulMonkerud or simply by attending. It is also likely that we will run a raffle on the day if enough donated or discounted prizes are collected; helping out in this regard provides another option.

Mother’s Day - Sunday 12 May
Happy Mother’s Day to all of the mums in our community for Sunday 12 May! I hope your families take the time to remind you of how important and loved you are.

Dr Chris Seton Parent Presentations - Term Two
Off the back of the Parent Information Evening conducted by Dr Wayne Warburton on Screen Overuse/Addiction in Children and Teens at the Senior College last term, Dr Chris Seton will be delivering talks on Sleep Problems in Teens and Tweens . . . and how to fix them! These are open to parents of any student in our system, with the one at Good Samaritan Catholic College, Hinchinbrook on Monday 20 May probably the closest one to our area. A flyer with some more details is contained in this newsletter.

Together we’re All Saints.
Michael Hollis
Principal
May 2019

All Saints K-12 schools

Dear Parents, Staff and Parishioners of the All Saints schools community,

I take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all who have contributed to the All Saints K-12 school community consultation process to date. On behalf of Mrs Scanlon, Mr. Hollis, Mr. Forrester and Fr. Paul, I am very pleased to confirm the Mission, Vision, Values and motto for the combined All Saints K-12 Catholic College.

The development of a K-12 Mission and Vision has involved the following community consultation process:
- Formal staff consultation (Combined K-12 Staff Development Day)
- Synthesis of the feedback (Executive Principal)
- Feedback from the respective Leadership Teams (ASCPS, ASCC, ASSC)
- Synthesis of the feedback by the Executive Planning Team (Principals & Parish Priest)
- K-12 Student Leader consultation (ASCPS, ASCC, ASSC)
- SCS Steering Committee feedback
- An online survey for the All Saints community (Parents, Staff and Parishioners)

As a result of this extensive process, the SCS Steering Committee have endorsed the Mission, Vision, Values and motto for the combined All Saints K-12 Catholic College. The newly adopted Mission and Vision will inform the current and ongoing development of K-12 learning principles within the continual formation of the College’s Catholic life and culture.

On behalf of the Leadership Teams from each of the All Saints schools, I wish to acknowledge the privilege of collaborating and co-constructing a newly consolidated vision for the future of the All Saints community.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Gough
Executive Principal
ASCC Mission Statement

**INSPIRED - HOPE-FILLED - UNITED**

Inspired by the person, life and teachings of Jesus Christ, we are a diverse and hope-filled Catholic community, united in our commitment to foster excellence in education where Gospel values are central.

ASCC Vision Statement

**As a Catholic learning community we are committed to:**
- Giving expression to the example and teachings of Jesus Christ that uphold mutual respect
- Developing innovative and collaborative practices that enable lifelong learners
- Nurturing acceptance, belonging and pride in the College
- Strengthening community links within the context of a K-12 College, particularly with the wider All Saints Parish

ASCC School Motto

‘Inspired by Christ’

ASCC House Patrons

- **Cahill** (Lay founder of the Primary school)
- **Marum** (Foundation Parish Priest of Liverpool)
- **Aikenhead** (Foundress of the Sisters of Charity)
- **Patrick** (Patron Saint of the Patrician Brothers)
- **Teresa** (Patron Saint of All Saints Senior College)
- **Romero** (Patron Saint of All Saints Senior College)

ASCC School Song

‘Together we’re All Saints’
Welcome back to Term 2! I hope you enjoyed a Holy Easter and were able to spend some time relaxing and catching up on yourselves. Additionally, I hope the break provided some time for our students to reflect on Term 1 celebrating their achievements and planning for ways to address the things that didn’t go as well as they’d hoped.

At the start of last term, I spoke about setting some S.M.A.R.T. (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely or Time-related) goals at the outset of each term. These goals can be informed just as readily by the things that haven’t ‘gone to plan’ as by the successes we have experienced. S.M.A.R.T. goals require us to move beyond an evaluation of our performance - what has happened, and challenge us to think about strategies we need to employ to make necessary changes - how we are going to do this. This ‘fine-tuning’ often requires a good deal of stamina and perseverance as some habits or patterns of behaviour are hard to break.

A story that reminds me of the importance of not giving up, is about the staff of a small company called Rocket Chemical Company. In 1953, they set out to make a line of rust-prevention solvents and degreasers for use in the aerospace industry. It took them 40 attempts to get the water displacing formula right. I’m sure they had many moments when they felt like giving up, when they thought that their goal was unattainable. Fortunately, for them and for many stubborn hinges, they didn’t! They recognised this incredible feat of determination and perseverance in the name of their product, WD-40. Perhaps this term, it may take us 4, 14 or 40 attempts to make some changes to our behaviour, our study routines or even to our attitude. Whatever the number, I hope that we are able to remember that nothing is insurmountable with a positive attitude and perseverance.

It was great to see so many students in their full Winter Uniform to mark the new term. We understand that there has been a short delay with some uniform items from Lowes, in which case, we would ask students to wear their summer uniform in the interim. A reminder that boys need to wear a belt - they can be purchased at Lowes or K-mart for a reasonable cost. I would like to congratulate the majority of our students for their excellent presentation and adherence to our policy.

Mr Hollis clarified the College’s expectations about Westfields at the end of last term and I’d like to thank the students and parents who have followed our procedures. I have included an excerpt of Mr Hollis’ message as a reminder: If students are found in this area without a note from their parents, their consequence will be an afternoon detention. If there is a specific reason why your daughter or son needs to access Westfield, e.g. as a thoroughfare to get home, to run an errand or to meet a parent, then I would ask you to write a note to that effect. During the school day, this is to be shown to the relevant Leader of Wellbeing (or Assistant) so that it can be sighted and signed. If one of our staff members then questions your child at the shopping centre, the note can be produced to explain their presence there. Your cooperation with, and reinforcement of, this expectation would be appreciated.

I look forward to the term ahead and the challenges it brings. I encourage all students to approach the term with the ‘slogan’ we have on display in every classroom - “Respect yourself, respect others, respect the All Saints Community”.

Assistant Principal

Ms Jennifer Keys
Easter Liturgy

This was the last week of Jesus’ life. This year our Easter Liturgy presentation took a slightly different approach. Even though we recounted the final days of Jesus’ life, the presentation was a dialogue between Jesus and humanity.

Our talented drama, musicians and dancers worked creatively and collaboratively to produce an excellent quality representation.

I am grateful to be a part of a wonderful team of colleagues who are driven and focused. I thank Mr Vaiotu, Mrs Curran, Ms Feil, Mrs Dean, Mr Buttigieg and their respective teams.

I look forward to creating even more beautiful and poignant presentations which draw us in to the suffering, life and mission of Jesus.

Fundraising

We all have responsibilities as Catholics to respond to the call of Catholic Social Teaching. I have written about fundraising in the past, however I am continuously humbled by the efforts of my colleagues and students and parents in our care.

This term alone, students in Year Ten and the wider All Saints community have raised $4,419 which will go towards Project Compassion. So driven were this particular group that they have forged ahead with the ‘Caritas Cut’ which will occur this Wednesday. This event will see staff come together for the ‘biggest shave.’

Again I wish to thank Ms Riga and Mr Silva for their leadership and inspiration. To the SRC and student community I wish to quote the words of Saint Mary of the Cross Mackillop which you have definitely fulfilled: Never see a need without doing something about it.
Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea

1 in 2 Australians are diagnosed with cancer before the age of 85.

This year the staff, students and wider community will celebrate Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea on Wednesday May 22. Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea is the easiest way to bring people together to raise funds that will make a big difference to those impacted by cancer. The idea is simple, to get your friends, colleagues or community together over some tea and treats, and help fund Cancer Council’s life-saving research, prevention, support programs and information.

There will be good food, good friends and local entertainment. If you are able to support this Parish based event, please contact the office.

Mass Celebrating Mothers

Many people appreciate their mothers or mother figures, which include stepmothers, relatives, guardians (eg. foster mothers), and close family friends. Some organisations have Mother’s Day patrons who work together with the media and general community to raise awareness on Mother’s Day events that aim to raise funds for charitable or non-profit causes.

Mothers, carers and students are invited to celebrate mass for Mothers with the parish mass on Friday May 10th at 9.15am, followed by morning tea in the Delany courtyard.

Notes have been made available from the office and should be returned to the office prior to the day.

All are welcome.

Let me take this opportunity to wish all our mothers, grandmothers and carers a joyous day with their family.

Father Lewi

Father Lewi has now commenced his service to Saint Mary’s Cathedral and the Archbishop of Sydney, Archbishop Anthony Fisher in his official capacity as Master of Ceremony.

We wish him all the best as he dedicates his life to service.

Father Paul

On behalf of the All Saints Community we take the opportunity to wish Father Paul many happy returns for his birthday that was celebrated on the weekend.

We thank him for his continued service to this community and congratulate him for the many initiatives which have enriched the lives of both staff, students and parishioners. We look forward to the continued partnership.
Mary

The word Rosary means “Crown of Roses”. Our Lady has revealed to several people that each time they say a Hail Mary they are giving her a beautiful rose and that each complete Rosary makes her a crown of roses. The rose is the queen of flowers, and so the Rosary is the rose of all devotions and it is therefore the most important one. The Holy Rosary is considered a perfect prayer because within it lies the awesome story of our salvation. With the Rosary in fact we meditate the mysteries of joy, of sorrow and the glory of Jesus and Mary. It’s a simple prayer, humble so much like Mary. It’s a prayer we can all say together with Her, the Mother of God. With the Hail Mary we invite Her to pray for us. Our Lady always grants our request. She joins Her prayer to ours. Therefore it becomes ever more useful, because what Mary asks She always receives, Jesus can never say no to whatever His Mother asks for. In every apparition, the heavenly Mother has invited us to say the Rosary as a powerful weapon against evil, to bring us to true peace. With your prayer made together with Your heavenly Mother, you can obtain the great gift of bringing about a change of hearts and conversion.

The Blessed Holy Father John Paul II on October 16th, 2002 with the Apostolic Letter Rosarium Virginis Mariae on the Most Holy Rosary has added 5 new mysteries of the Rosary: The Mysteries of the Light.

- The whole Rosary is composed of twenty decades. Each decade is recited in honor of a mystery in Our Lord’s Life and that of His Blessed Mother.
- It is customary to recite five decades at a time while meditating on one set of mysteries.
- The decades may be separated, if the entire chaplet is completed on the same day.
- Each Mystery may be meditated “bead by bead” for every Hail Mary of the decade.

The Mysteries of the Rosary

- Joyful on Monday and Saturday.
- Light on Thursday
- Sorrowful on Tuesday and Friday.
- Glorious on Wednesday and Sunday.

1. While holding the crucifix make the Sign of the Cross and then recite the Apostles Creed
2. Recite the Our Father on the first large bead.
3. Recite a Hail Mary for an increase of faith, hope and charity on each of the three small beads.
4. Recite the Glory Be to the Father on the next large bead.
5. Recite the Fatima Prayer “O my Jesus” on the large bead.
6. Recall the first Rosary Mystery and recite the Our Father on the large bead.
7. On each of the adjacent ten small beads (also referred to as a decade) recite a Hail Mary while reflecting on the mystery.
8. On the next large bead, recite the Glory Be to the Father, the Fatima prayer.
9. Each succeeding decade is prayed in a similar manner by recalling the appropriate mystery, reciting the Our Father, ten Hail Marys while reflecting on the mystery, the Glory Be to the Father, and the Fatima prayer.
10. When the fifth mystery is completed, the Rosary is Customarily concluded with the Hail Holy Queen, and the Sign of the Cross.
Artists for Christ

Last term the Artists for Christ exhibition was successfully held at All Saints library with a wide range of student artworks. Students from Years 7 to 9 used a variety of different art mediums to reflect the Easter Story theme and the person, life and teachings of Jesus.

Throughout the term, at recess and lunch, students were able to demonstrate their passion, talent, creativity and dedication through various art skills while enriching their religious faith at the same time. It has been a great pleasure working with these wonderful students.

This term Artists for Christ will continue with a new theme “Marian and Patrician” focusing on the history of All Saints and exploring the life and teachings of Mary and The Patrician Brothers.

I enjoyed Artists For Christ, not only because it improved my art skills but I was able to build relationships and understand and connect with Jesus more.
I paired up with two people I hardly knew and now, after the artwork we worked so hard on, we became close.
It was extremely fun! We tried many forms of art.
I would definitely recommend Artists For Christ, not only for people who can do art but to others who just want to have some fun.

Artists For Christ was a wonderful experience! I had so much fun, painting, crafting, drawing and more. I got to make more friends and express myself!
I loved getting to do art and having extra time with friends!
I learnt new painting techniques and how to use more objects to make beautiful art works.
I would definitely recommend other people to come so they can experience new things and have fun.

Parish News

All Saints Little Church 2019.
All Saints Little Church began for toddlers (18 months-5 years) at 9.30am Mass last Sunday, 5 May. It will be held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Please collect a registration form from the church tables or email eleanor.farlow@icloud.com for further information.

Family Mass for Mother’s Day
9.30am Mass on Mother’s Day, Sunday, 12 May will be a Family Mass. Family Masses emphasise the vital part that young families play in the faith development of children and strive to support parents and carers in their primary vocation as first educators of their children in faith. A special blessing will be given to all mothers, grandmothers and “mother figures”.

Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea
The second All Saints Parish Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea to support the Cancer Council will be held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, 22 May, 10am-1pm. Please mark the date in your calendar. The inaugural event last year not only raised over $10000 but drew our diverse community together in a spirit of generosity and service for a cause that affects us all. We hope to build on last year’s success. If you are interested in getting involved, contact the Parish Office as soon as possible: secretary@allsaintsparishliverpool.org.au; 9602 8266.
“It’s never been more challenging for parents to raise happy, healthy and resilient children. Like never before, parents need to be informed with clear, fact-based information on the many challenges faced by today’s youth. Topics such as youth anxiety, depression, self-harm, drug and alcohol use, cyberbullying and many others need clear explanation and guidance”. Dr Michael Carr-Gregg

SchoolTV is a new ongoing resource that is now available to our parents at All Saints. Each edition will address a major topic with expert interviews, fact sheets, parent quiz, recommended apps, books and much more. SchoolTV aggregates information from many great resources such as BeyondBlue and ReachOut, amongst others. SchoolTV provides a single stream of independent factual information that saves parents time and confusion of searching online across multiple sites for information.

So far, we have had an excellent response from parents who have utilised this resource, and we highly recommend it to all families.

https://ascc.nsw.schooltv.me/category-latest-newsletter

Mr Shane Duff
Acting Leader of Pastoral Care
Upcoming Event
PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
Monday 20th May, 2019

Sleep Problems in Teens and Tweens...and how to fix them!

Dr Chris Seton  Paediatric and Adolescent Sleep Physician, Woolcock Institute of Medical Research

From Chris...

Good sleep, exercise, & optimal nutrition, are the 3 so-called “pillars” of good health in teens & tweens. Sleep deprivation is a common, but frequently overlooked health problem in teens & tweens with 70% of Australian teenagers chronically sleep deprived on school days. Sleep deprivation has a negative effect on learning and wellbeing, impacting memory, body image, sense of humour, stress levels, family relationships & even ethical judgements. Most of our kids place little value on sleep, & generally are poor sleep managers. Therefore, educationalists, parents, & health professionals all have an important role in detecting & resolving sleep deprivation.

This presentation details the multiple factors that conspire, in the “busy bee” lives of our teens & tweens, to deprive them of sleep, & cause them to be tired, grumpy and moody. Particular types of sleep problems, and the science behind them, will be explained. This solution focused talk shows parents how to detect sleep problems, & how to implement practical strategies that build resilient, high quality sleep, with the ultimate aim of providing protection from stress-induced mood disorders, while achieving optimal school-learning outcomes.

Details
Venue: Good Samaritan College Hall
401 Hoxton Park Road, Hinchinbrook
Date: Monday 20th May, 2019
Time: 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Open to all parents of students at Sydney Catholic Schools
To Register:
info@gscchinchinbrook.catholic.edu.au

Important Note: This is a presentation for PARENTS only, not suitable for students to attend.
**Teaching & Learning**

**NAPLAN - Information for Parents.**

The NAPLAN online test block for Semester 1, 2019 begins on Week 3 and concludes in Week 4 this term.

Parents of Year 7 and 9 students would have received a letter from the College last term outlining the NAPLAN testing schedule. As you are aware, students in Years 7 and 9 are required to sit for the standardised NAPLAN tests. Students at All Saints Catholic College will be completing these tests online. In preparation for this new format, students have completed a practice test on Wednesday 3 April. The purpose of this practice test was to allow students to familiarise themselves with the types of questions they will be asked and the online tools that will be made available to them (calculators, audio clues, rulers, etc.).

**Students are reminded that they are required to bring headphones or earphones to both the practice and the actual NAPLAN test.**

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Some additional information is available for parents from the following link: tiny.cc/NAPLANinformation

**Subject Examinations - Information for Parents.**

The Subject Examination block for Semester 1, 2019 begins on Week 4 and concludes in Week 5 this term. The schedule for these exams has been shared with students through email, notices and Google Classroom. For your information the timetable for these are below:

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If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please do not hesitate to call the College.

Thank you

Samantha Marshall & Katrina Brubacher
At All Saints we have always ensured that a big effort is made to commemorate ANZAC Day. This year our students participated in a number of services beginning with the ‘RSL Schools Remember ANZAC’ service in Hyde Park Sydney on Tuesday 9th April at 11am. I would like to thank the 10 student representatives from Years 7-10 who volunteered to attend along with Mrs Caroline Sarkesyan who accompanied the students by train into the city. The day was a wonderful way All Saints students could pay their respects to all of our fallen soldiers.

A whole school commemorative service was held on the first day back of term 2 which involved a number of student participants. We were also lucky enough to have one of our parents Mr Vaughn (father of Shayden - Year 9 and Cameron Year 7) address the College community on what it means to serve in the armed forces and also to explain the importance of ANZAC Day itself.

I would particularly like to thank Mr Vaughn for giving up his time and also for his moving speech. Thanks also goes to the outstanding way in which our students ran the service listed below

**Master of Ceremonies**  
Marissa W (College Captain)  
Alex J (College Captain)

**Student Cadets**  
Joel A  
Jonathan M  
Brandan M  
Kal E  
Ryan V

**Readings**  
Emma S (Yr 9)  
Simran S (Yr 9)  
Joanna J (Yr10)

I would also like to thank Mr Vaioti for leading us in prayer, Mr Duff for reading the Ode, Mr Hollis and Mrs Keys for laying wreaths, Mr Wells for sound and Miss Scutts for the music.

Finally I thank all students for the respect that was shown during the service.

Lest we forget

Mr Milner  
(Leader of Learning HSIE)

Mr Hollis with our student cadet flag party and Mr Vaughn (ADF)
Year 9 Fast Forward Evening at Western Sydney University

On Wednesday 1st May, selected students from Year 9 and their parents/carers attended the Fast Forward ‘Welcome to Western’ Evening at Western Sydney University, Bankstown Campus where they were welcomed into the Fast Forward Program. These students were selected by All Saints Catholic College because they all have potential for academic success at a Higher Educational level. Fast Forward is run by Western Sydney University in partnership with our College. The evening provided both students and parents an opportunity to learn about the program and hear from inspirational speakers including Western Sydney University role models. Students received a gift from the University in the form of a book titled ‘Letters to my teenage self’.

The following students need to be congratulated for their attendance and commitment.

Stacey M   Alicia M   Nicole M   Tiyana E
Tahlia M   Marimar A   Shanil N   Tanya A
Zak A   Melak A   Olivia G   Robert U
Apollo S   Leon C   Michael A   Kaio K
Adrian A   Taj F   Marist V   Lenny H

Ms Vanessa Riga
Fast Forward Liaison &
Year 10 Leader of Wellbeing

1, 2, 3 Magic and Emotion Coaching

4 Week Parenting program

1,2,3, Magic is a program designed to teach parents ways to manage their children’s behaviour that also builds their children’s emotional resourcefulness. It encourages a calm approach to parenting, even in those tough moments, and shows parents how to improve their relationship with their children. This program can be accessed by all families who have children 0-12 years of age.

When: Mondays
Starting: 20/05/2019 to 10/06/2019
Where: The Reflection Room
Time: 9.00 am to 11.00 am

To register your interest and for more information please contact:
Kerry Theodis Family Support In Schools Program 0448 931 673 or
Kerry.Theodis@catholiccare.org

Also available for parents with students in Year 7 and Year 8.
Sydney Writers’ Festival Excursion

On Thursday, May 2, students were selected via a Writing Competition to attend the Student Writers’ Day at the Sydney Writers’ Festival. Each year, a variety of writers from around the world speak to students about their careers and works. This year, the event was held at Parramatta Riverside Theatres. It was a pleasure to be able to take such keen students and hear their thoughts about writers and writing. Here’s two reflections from students who attended the excursion.

Mr. O’Sullivan
Leader of Teaching & Learning: English

On Thursday, the 2nd May, myself and 8 other Year 10/9 students had the opportunity to attend the Sydney Writers’ Festival. We sat in the theatre and listened to words of encouragement, advice and wisdom from a diverse range of authors - each of whom shared a new perspective on life as an author with the audience.

In the morning session, we heard from Aboriginal author Ambelin Kwaymullina, and Neal Shusterman, who is a published writer from California. Neal told us that before he was published, he wrote and sent out two whole books that were rejected by publishers, and spoke about how coping with and overcoming rejection are one of the most important factors of writing professionally. He also explained how, through telling stories, he can captivate massive audiences - and how magical that feeling and power really is.

In the second session, we heard from Greek Australian author Will Kostakis and ‘The Belles’ author Dhonielle Clayton, who lives in New York. Both spoke of the importance and value of keeping to your story and telling your own, whole truth. Dhonielle asked the audience their answers/opinions on pressing questions she had as a young girl such as “Does the way you look determine how you’re treated?” or “Why is calling someone ‘ugly’ or ‘fat’ one of the first insults used in a fight?”

Her speech inspired the audience to rethink what they value about themselves, and what they place importance on in their own lives. Dhonielle also explained how she runs an organisation so that every child can walk into a book store and find at least one book that represents them, instead of only finding flawless carbon copied characters that make us question our own personality and appearance in comparison.

Overall the day was informative, inspiring and thought-provoking and I’m grateful that a few of my peers and I got to experience it.

Brianna W

The Sydney Writers’ Festival was a refreshing excursion for us to recognise the talent of authors and to appreciate the diverse genres of text which are celebrated in our multicultural Australian society. A reoccurring theme with all the authors in their presentations was the importance of “truthfulness” when writing, meaning to stay honest with what is being expressed. I think not only is the effort of staying truthful effective in a writing situation, but also with life in general. The excursion was an exciting experience which encouraged us to view literature with creativity and to embrace any idea with imaginative storytelling.

Jayden N
Homework Group

Homework Group has grown exponentially this year. We now have over one hundred students on our roll. It is wonderful to see so many students taking advantage of this opportunity and so eager to receive assistance. We have seen students seeking help in all subject areas. It has been a great opportunity for them to gain guidance with assessment tasks, have work proofread by teachers, get clarification about content and of course complete assigned homework.

Many teachers attend Homework Group to support, not only students in their own classes, but all students. We would like to thank these teachers for their dedication and support throughout the term. Without them Homework Group would not be the success that it is.

A thank you is also extended to all parents who support their sons and daughters in their attendance.

We are looking forward to a successful Term 2.

Mrs Jeanne Dudley
Learning Support Teacher

Comments from students:

- It makes me a more organised person and helps me focus. I get a lot of help from teachers and they care and listen to you. Helen H Yr 8
- I helps with work you struggle with. Amenda J and Sydney A Yr 7
- It helps me finish my assessments. Kristeen M Yr 7
- Thanks to all teachers who attend to help us. Suma D Yr 10
- It helps students to focus on studies and to get extra help. Angelina Yr 8
- It helps me participate and feel comfortable. Joseph Yr 7
Learning Labs workshops cover a range of diverse and innovative disciplines that are designed to challenge and stimulate self-motivated and curious learners. Here are some examples of what’s coming up in July:

**Facial Approximation: Art, Anatomy & the Skull**
This workshop is an intensive introductory experience in creating a 3D facial reconstruction. Students will use clay to model the individual muscles, glands, fat and skin over a unique human replica skull, all the while learning about the methods used in archaeological and forensic facial reconstructions. After this workshop you will never look at a person’s face the same way again!

**Rules vs Laws**
This workshop introduces foundational concepts in law, such as, rules versus laws, contracts, and dispute resolution using fun, lively and engaging activities. Why are rules and laws important and what is the difference between them? We will draw on and debate examples from everyday experiences, as well as learn to negotiate rights and obligations and draft a contract. Finally, what happens when things go wrong? How do parties settle their disputes? This is where the courts and the justice system come in.

**From Idea to Stage**
Are you a creative, dramatic, deep thinking, bubbly person? Do you yearn to have the bright lights of the theatre shining on you? In this workshop, you will have the opportunity to perform and play with a range of styles using your voice and body as the tool, to create unique and interesting characters culminating with a performance at the end of each day. All you need is flexible ideas (and clothing) and the energy to make this happen.

A full list of the available workshops to choose from will be posted on the website in April 2019 when applications open. Please note that the program books up quite quickly, so ensure you submit your application as early as possible. A full list of the available workshops to choose from will be posted on the website in April 2019 when applications open. Please note that the program books up quite quickly, so ensure you submit your application as early as possible.
Co-Curricular

Sport

After a refreshing two weeks off, our students were finally able to play their respective representative sports. This term will see our SCC Netball, SCC Senior Soccer, MCS Soccer and MCS Rugby league teams compete.

MCS Chess
The ASCC 7 - 9 Chess team showed true spirit in the annual MCS chess competition held at St Patrick’s Marist College, Dundas. Unfortunately we did not place in the top 3 for any division, however each team gave up their absolute best in every single match. On behalf of the school, I would like to thank Mr Tandingan for his efforts in organising and coordinating the teams. We wish our Year 10 team the best of luck when they compete on Thursday, 9th May 2019.

SCC Cross Country
On Friday the 3rd of May, Miss Richards, Mr Fairweather and Mr Silva had the privilege of taking 23 students to the SCC Cross Country Championships. The day was a great success with 2 students, Sara Esposito and Madison Darby, placing in the top 8 which means they will be a reserve runner for the SCC team that will compete at the NSWCCC Cross Country Championships on Friday the 15th of June. On behalf of the school we would like to thank all the girls who competed on the day.

Dont forget to view regular draws, updates, results and sports information please go to https://sites.google.com/syd.catholic.edu.au/asccsport/ I encourage you all to check this site regularly to keep in touch with sport!
Representative Sport - Upcoming Events

*MCS Chess - Year 10*
St Patrick's Marist College, Dundas on Thursday 9th May Competition begins at 9.00am

*MCS Cross Country*
Penrith Regatta Centre, Tuesday 21st May 2019. Events from 10.00am

*South Western Sydney Oztag Gala Day*
Played @ Victoria Park, Minto on Wednesday 5th June 2019. Games start at 9.00am

*SCC Dance Competition*
Monday 24th June @All Saints Catholic College

**MCS**

**Thursday 9 May 2019**
*MCS Rugby League RD4*
14s  Game 1: Patrician Brothers, Fairfield  1.10pm
@ Carrawood Park, Fairfield
Game 2: St Dominics College  1.50pm
15s  Game 1: Parramatta Marist  1.10pm
Game 2: St John Paul 2  1.50pm
@ Parramatta Marist College

*MCS Soccer (all ages) RD 6*
Yr 7, 8  Vs BYE
Yr 9, 10  Vs BYE

**Thursday 16 May 2019**
*MCS Basketball RD 5*
14s  Game 1: Parramatta Marist  1.10pm
Game 2: St Gregory's College  1.50pm
@ St Gregory's College, Campbelltown
15s  Game 1: Patrician Brothers Blacktown 1.10pm
@ Patrician Brothers, Blacktown

*MCS Soccer (all ages) RD 7*
Yr 7, 8  Vs St John Paul 2, Schofields  1.00pm
@ St John Paul 2, Schofields
Yr 10 Vs St John Paul 2, Schofields  2.00pm
@ South Park, Chipping Norton

**SCC**

**Thursday 9 May 2019**
*SCC Netball RD 2*
Junior  Vs Marist Catholic College  1.00pm
Inter  Vs Marist Catholic College  1.00pm
Senior  Vs Marist Catholic College  2.00pm
@ Deverall Park, Condell Park

*SCC Soccer RD 2*
Senior  Vs Bethany College  1.10pm
@ Kinch Reserve

**Thursday 16 May 2019**
*SCC Basketball RD 3*
Junior  Vs Rosebank College  1.00pm
Inter  Vs Rosebank College  1.00pm
Senior  Vs Rosebank College  2.00pm
@ Deverall Park, Condell Park

*SCC Soccer RD 4*
Senior  Vs Rosebank College  1.10pm
@ Kinch Reserve

Any information regarding Representative Sport, please feel free to email me at shaun.oregan001@syd.catholic.edu.au or contact the school on 9602 4555.

Any information regarding Internal School Sport, please feel free to email me at jovan.miladinovic@syd.catholic.edu.au or contact the school on 9602 4555.

Yours in Sport,
Shaun O'Regan
External Sport Coordinator

Jovan Miladinovic
Internal Sport Coordinator
IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday 9 May**
Year 10 MCS Chess
St Patrick’s Marist College

**Friday 10 May**
Mother’s Day Mass
9.15am
Macarthur Science & Engineering Challenge
Year 9 (selected students)
Debating Competition Rd2
All Saints Catholic College
4.00pm

**Tuesday 14 May, Wednesday 15 May, Friday 17 May, Monday 20 May, Tuesday 21 May, Wednesday 22 May**
Year 7 & Year 9 NAPLAN

**Friday 17 May**
Year 8 Semester 1
Music Exam
Debating Competition Rd3
Good Samaritan Catholic College
4.00pm

**Tuesday 21 May**
MCS Cross Country
Year 10 Career Search
Whitlam Centre

**Wednesday 22 May**
Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea
10.00am - 1.00pm

**Thursday 23 May, Friday 24 May, Monday 27 May, Tuesday 28 May, Wednesday 29 May**
Year 9 & Year 10 Semester 1 Exams
Debating Competition Rd 4
All Saints Catholic College
4.00pm

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ASCC Clothing Pool
The second hand clothing pool is open
Monday - Friday
9.30am - 2.00pm
Uniform donations are greatly appreciated

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COLLEGE OFFICE
Office hours
Monday to Friday
8.00am - 4.00pm