FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Supporters of St Joseph’s College,

WORLD YOUTH DAY (WYD08)
Monday and Tuesday of last week were very hectic indeed. The journey of the WYD Cross and Icon came through our Parish last Tuesday. I am extremely grateful to the staff and students of the College who involved themselves in this “once in a lifetime” event.

Special thanks to Mr Scott McDermott who organised the welcome of the Cross and Icon at St Joseph’s College. Thanks also to the following staff who played significant roles:

Mr Tom Nethery  Mrs Peta Lyon
Mrs Louise McLoughlin  Mr Shane Rowland
Mrs Sharon Singleton  Ms Kylie Evans
Mr Tony Channell  Ms Vanessa Milligan

We look forward in anticipation of World Youth Day in July 2008.

YEAR 12
This is the second week of the Trial HSC exams. Please continue to pray for our Year 12s who are sitting for their exams this week.

PARENT / TEACHER / STUDENT EVENINGS
Last Wednesday was the last of our Parent/Teacher/Student evenings. I’d like to thank most sincerely all staff, parents and students who involved themselves in this important stage of the reporting process.

If any parents were unable to attend on any of the nights, please don’t hesitate to contact the College to arrange a mutually convenient time with your child’s teacher.

YEAR 11 LEADERSHIP CAMP
This week (15-17 August), our Year 11 students will embark on their process of selecting our School Leaders for 2007-2008. Please keep our Year 11s in your prayers and trust that they make an informed decision about leadership in the College.

ASSUMPTION
Please note that this Wednesday, 15 August, is the Memorial of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Catholics believe that Mary was taken up into heaven, body and soul.

The Assumption, Christmas Day, and every Sunday, are holy days of obligation where Catholics are required to attend Mass. Please note that St Joseph’s Parish Mass times are Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 7:00am and 9:00am. We will hold our Assumption Mass at 9:10am on Wednesday. Parents are most welcome.

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Mrs Serena Rose and her husband Dennis on the birth of Tobey James Rose on 6 August. All of the family are doing well.

PRAYERS
Please pray for the repose of the soul of Helen Bissell’s father-in-law who passed away last Thursday.

Best wishes and God bless,

FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK

COMING EVENTS

WEEK 5
Monday 13 August……………………………………(Day 1)
☞ Year 12 HSC Trial Examinations continue (6-20 Aug)
Tuesday 14 August……………………………………(Day 2)
☞ All Schools Touch Competition (selected students)
☞ Debating (selected students)
Wednesday 15 August……………………………………(Day 3)
☞ Year 11 Leadership Camp (15-17 Aug)
☞ Feast of the Assumption

WEEK 6
Monday 20 August……………………………………(Day 6)
☞ Year 12 HSC Trial Examinations conclude (6-20 Aug)
Wednesday 22 August……………………………………(Day 8)
☞ TAFE Options Showcase
☞ Debating (22 & 23 Aug) (selected students)
☞ Year 10 St Martha’s visit (selected students)
Thursday 23 August……………………………………(Day 9)
☞ Griffith and Southern Cross Universities promotions
teams visits
☞ Diocesan Netball
Friday 24 August……………………………………(Day 10)
☞ CSSDA Debating (selected students)

WEEK 7
Monday 27 August……………………………………(Day 1)
☞ Year 12 HSC Drama Practical Exams (27 & 28 Aug)
Tuesday 28 August……………………………………(Day 2)
☞ Legacy Memorial Service
☞ Sports Photos (selected students)
☞ Debating (selected students)
Wednesday 29 August……………………………………(Day 3)
☞ Diocesan Athletics (selected students)
☞ Year 10 St Martha’s visit (selected students)
Thursday 30 August……………………………………(Day 4)
☞ SRC Elections
Friday 31 August……………………………………(Day 5)
☞ Year 12 SOR Study Lecture

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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Fr Michael Brady  Fr Jim Griffin
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Mr Peter McLoughlin
Principal
LITERACY AND NUMERACY NEWS

This week the results of the 2007 Secondary Numeracy Assessment Program (SNAP) were sent home with your child. Parents and caregivers received a detailed report on your child's performance in SNAP.

All reports include a statement which indicates whether your child met or did not meet the National Benchmark standard in Reading and Writing (excluding spelling) and Numeracy.

The NSW Government has entered into an agreement with the Commonwealth Government to report to schools and parents on the achievement of Year 3, Year 5 and Year 7 students against the National Benchmark Statements in Reading, Writing (excluding spelling) and Numeracy. In addition, the Diocese of Lismore has agreed to test Year 8 students.

These national benchmarks describe the nationally agreed minimum acceptable standards in reading, writing and numeracy that students in Years 3, 5 and 7 should attain.

You are encouraged to contact the College if you wish to talk about your child's current progress in reading or writing.

Mr Carlo Trimboi
Literacy and Numeracy Coordinator

CAREERS NEWS

- A local business is offering an apprenticeship in Automobile/Marine trimming, to start Nov/Dec this year. This apprenticeship is an ideal opportunity for a Year 10 or 11 student looking at leaving school this year.

- Country Energy has a number of exciting apprenticeships on offer for 2008 for Lineworks and Electrical Technicians. Applications can be completed online and must be completed by 5:00pm, Friday 24 August 2007. For further information, visit www.countryenergy.com.au/apprentices or call 1800 123 590 during office hours.

- A local business is seeking a student (Year 10 or above) to complete some work experience in tasks of photocopying, laminating, graphic design, desktop publishing and other errands. For the right person, a traineeship or employment opportunities may arise.

- The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (Aus IMM) is holding a summer Australian Student Mineral Ventures (ASMV) in January 2008.

  The ASMVs provide senior secondary students (Years 10, 11 and 12) who are interested in the minerals industry the opportunity to travel to some of Australia’s most impressive mining regions. The school holiday program brings together students from different states as they visit major mine sites, universities and tourist sites in a unique 12-day trip.

  Students interested in a career in science or engineering would find the ASMV very rewarding. For more information visit www.asmv.org or see me.

  On Wednesday 22 August (next week), there is a TAFE options showcase at 1:00pm for students who are thinking about full-time courses at TAFE next year. This is run by teachers of TAFE courses from the North Coast Institute of TAFE NSW, Kingscliff Campus. If you would like to attend, please visit the Careers Room.

  For Year 12 students: On Thursday 23 August (also next week) there will be two visits from universities at St Joseph’s College:

  • Griffith University promotions team
  • Southern Cross University promotions team

- There is an Aviation Careers Expo this Saturday 18 August (9:30am-4:00pm) at the Suncorp Piazza, Southbank Parklands. There will be a great range of jobs featured, including: Cabin Crew, Aircraft Engineers, Pilots and Air Traffic Control, from a variety of training organisations and employers.

  Please see me in the Careers Room about any of the aforementioned matters.

Mr Matt Hall
Careers Advisor

NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK 2007

National Science Week 2007 runs from Saturday 18 August to Sunday 26 August. The theme for this year is “Antarctic Science”. This theme was chosen to reflect the 2007 International Polar Year.

National Science Week began in 1997 to raise the profile and increase the public’s understanding and appreciation of the role of science, technology and innovation in maintaining and improving our society, economy and the environment.

Students at St Joseph’s College will celebrate Science Week by completing activities from a resource book provided by the Australian Science Teachers Association. A Poster Competition and Quizzes will be conducted in classes next week. See your Science Teacher for details.

Mr Geoff Cox
Science Coordinator

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Last week’s ‘Student of the Week’ was Arron Ebsworth (11D)

Watch out for next week’s Newsletter – it just might be you!

CANTENE NEWS AND ROSTER

MEAL OF THE WEEK

This week we have the very popular ‘Fried Rice’ for very affordable price of $3.00. Now don’t forget: You MUST place your order in EARLY to guarantee your lunch will be ready.

CANTENE ROSTER

The School Newsletter and School Calendar are both available online @ www.tafe.nsw.catholic.edu.au.
The School Calendar contains year group events, assessment schedules and term dates.