FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

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

MAKE POVERTY HISTORY
Many thanks to the following Year 10 students who committed their time and energy on Saturday 18 August to the ‘Make Poverty History’ campaign by organising an awareness campaign in Cunningham Park, Tweed Heads.

Patricia Edwick (10B)  Bonnie Imeson (8B)
Chantel Humphreys (10B)  Chayenne Wickert (10C)
Kelly Sheath (10A)  Catherine Blissett (10B)
Sharna Mathieu (10B)  Brooke Davey (10A)
Jessie Imeson (10B)

Thanks also to Mr John Lee, a parishioner, who has been the driving force behind ‘Make Poverty History’ at the College.

THANKS
A sincere thank you to all of you who offered your condolences to me upon my dad’s recent passing. It is a great comfort to know people care. Please pray for my dad.

SCHOOL LEADERS 2007-2008
We are in the process this week of voting for our school leaders. What should you look for in a student leader?

Someone who is motivated to work for others and see that everyone prospers from their willingness to involve themselves for the good of the year group. Below are some quotations for motivation:

“You can’t just sit there and wait for people to give you that golden dream. You’ve got to get out there and make it happen for yourself.” Diana Ross

“Accomplishment is easiest when we work the hardest, and it is hardest when we work the easiest.” Author unknown

“Whenever we do what we can, we immediately can do more.” James Freeman Clarke

“One of the secrets of success is to refuse to let temporary setbacks defeat us.” Mary Kay

“Like a ten-speed bike, most of us have gears we do not use.” Charles Schulz

OPENING
During our assembly this week, the Honourable Justine Elliott, Member for Richmond, will officially open the playground refurbishment carried out in the last school holidays. The Assembly will take place at 12:30pm this Wednesday 29 August in the Doyle Centre. All parents are invited to attend.

FATHER’S DAY
Best wishes to all dads for Father’s Day this coming Sunday 2 September.

Best wishes and God bless,

Mr Peter McLoughlin
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK

POLICY ~ STUDENT ABSENCES
As families are aware, the following policy has been in place at St Joseph’s College for approximately the last five years.

Parents are to telephone the College if your son/daughter is not attending school, providing the reason for, and the length of, absence. We will be calling you at home or at work if you do not contact us.

This policy is for all students and is provided as part of our student safety procedures. Your support in this regard is appreciated.

COMING EVENTS

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 (Murwillumbah) (selected students)
Wednesday 29 August ............................ (Day 3)
☞ Official opening of new playground area
☞ Diocesan Athletics (selected students)
Thursday 30 August ............................... (Day 4)
☞ SRC Elections
☞ Rugby League Tens
Friday 31 August ................................. (Day 5)
☞ Year 12 SOR Study Lecture

WEEK 8
Tuesday 4 September ............................... (Day 7)
☞ Year 7 Vaccinations
☞ COLLEGE EXPO (6:00-8:00pm)
Wednesday 5 September ........................... (Day 8)
☞ Year 11 SLR Springbrook NP Excursion
☞ Year 10 St Martha’s visit (selected students)
Thursday 6 September .............................. (Day 9)
☞ Year 12 Guest Speaker
☞ Year 11 SSC Excursion

Mr Peter Lyon
Deputy Principal

Student of the Week
Last week’s ‘Student of the Week’ was Jesinta Mudge (10B)
Watch out for next week’s Newsletter – it just might be you!
CURRICULUM NEWS

YEAR 9 2008 FINAL ELECTIVE CHOICES
Elective lines were distributed to students last week and are due back to Homeroom Teachers on Friday 31 September 2007. I will only contact students and parents whenever classes are too full and a re-selection is necessary. For the majority of students this will not be an issue and their choices will be satisfied.

YEAR 11 2008 SUBJECT LINES
Subject lines were distributed to students last week and are due back to Homeroom Teachers by Monday 3 September 2007. It is inevitable that clashes will occur for some students. I advise students and parents to be open to suggestions in these instances. I am available to discuss senior patterns of study with students and parents by phone or an interview. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have concerns or questions.

Mrs Helen Borrowdale
Curriculum Coordinator

FATHER’S DAY
THIS SUNDAY 2 SEPTEMBER
SRC FUNDRAISER
Treat Dad to something special for Father’s Day
CHOCOLATES & OTHER GOODIES will be on sale this week in front of the Library

YEAR 10 HSIE EXCURSIONS
YEAR 10 HSIE EXCURSIONS – WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2007
Parents are reminded that in keeping with the College Excursion Policy, all money and notes need to be returned two weeks prior to the planned event.

The due date for all money and notes for the Year 10 HSIE Excursion is NEXT Monday, 3 September 2007. Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation in this matter.

Mr Tony Channell
HSIE Coordinator

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
Monday to Friday
(8:30am – 12:00noon AND 1:00 – 3:30pm)

ST JOSEPH’S COLLEGE
INVITES YOU TO
EXPO 2007
A SHOWCASE OF OUR STUDENTS’ SKILLS AND TALENTS
TUESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2007
6:00pm to 8:00pm in the DOYLE CENTRE & COLLEGE LIBRARY
ST JOSEPH’S COLLEGE, Banora Point
FORMAL OPENING AT 7:00PM
BY THE PRINCIPAL, MR PETER MCLoughlin
THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL OCCASION TO CELEBRATE THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR STUDENTS
COME ALONG AND CELEBRATE EXPO 2007!

CANTEEN NEWS AND ROSTER

MEAL OF THE WEEK
This week we have the very popular ‘Pasta Carbonara’ for the affordable price of $4.00 – or $5.00 for the hungry person size. Please note that you MUST place your order in EARLY to guarantee your lunch will be ready.

CANTENE ROSTER

Mrs Dianne Pinkstone
Canteen Manager