FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

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

Apologies for the hiccup last week when we missed printing the cast and crew of “Back to the 80s”. This list will be included in the next Newsletter, however, the 5 November issue of the Newsletter has been updated on the website. Many thanks also to those who supported the Musical.

YEAR 10 SCHOOL CERTIFICATE TESTS

Today, our Year 10 students sat for their English Literacy and Science exams. Tomorrow, they will sit for their Mathematics and Australian History, Civics and Citizenship exams. Year 10 will complete their School Certificate tests when they complete the Computing Skills Test online from Wednesday 14 to Friday 16 November. Please continue to pray for our Year 10 students.

YEAR 12

Our Year 12 students have now completed their HSC exams. Their last rite of passage is the Graduation Ball this Thursday 15 November.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Last Friday, we held a special Assembly to commemorate Remembrance Day – the cessation of hostilities at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. We remember in a special way all those who paid the supreme sacrifice and all who served our country during the many international conflicts.

PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose of the soul of the grandmother of Xavier Ricketts (9D) who passed away last week.

LEAVING ST JOSEPH’S COLLEGE

Fourth term is a time when families make decisions about moving to a new area because of employment changes etc. I would ask that all parents of students who will not be returning to St Joseph’s College in 2008 to please contact my secretary, Mrs Helen Bissell on (07) 5524.9002 as soon as possible.

All students who leave St Joseph’s College are required to complete a Clearance Form.

Please note that some students when they leave the College like to have a shirt autographed by their friends as a keepsake. This practice is fine as long as the shirt being written on is not the shirt being worn.

LIBRARY HOURS

Please note that the College Library is open every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8:05am until 8:35am for quiet reading. The Library is also open after school until 4:30pm every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

TERM 4

Term 4 will conclude for students on Friday 14 December. The last week (10-14 December) will be exams for Years 7, 8 and 9 as well as assessments for Year 11. It is most important, therefore, that absences are avoided during these dates.

Best wishes and God bless,

Mr Peter McLoughlin
Principal

NOTICE TO ALL YEAR 10 FAMILIES

SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

Monday 12 November:
⇒ English (9:20am-11:30am) and
⇒ Science (12:50pm-3:00pm)

Tuesday 13 November:
⇒ Mathematics (9:25am-11:30am) and
⇒ Australian History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship (12:50pm-3:00pm)

Wednesday 14 – Friday 16 November:
⇒ Computer Skills test (on-line)

ALL YEAR 10 STUDENTS MUST SIT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED EXAMINATIONS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOOL CERTIFICATE.

Please note:
• Normal school uniform is to be worn.
• Students must stay at school AFTER exams UNLESS they have written permission from their Parent/Carer.

YEAR 7 2008

INFORMATION EVENING – FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS
Next Monday, 19 November
commencing 7:00pm in the Doyle Centre

ORIENTATION DAY – FOR STUDENTS ONLY
Next Tuesday, 20 November
9:30am to 2:00pm
Note: Students are to wear their current school uniform
Students are to bring a pen and pencil and their own recess
(or can make a purchase at the College canteen)
FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK

MARK THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY

Monday 10 – Friday 14 December
Yearly Exams for Years 7, 8 & 9 and Assessments for Year 11

Tuesday 11 December – 7:00pm, Doyle Centre
Prize Night for Years 7, 8, 9 & 11

Friday 14 December
School finishes for students in Years 7, 8, 9 & 11

Year 10 Awards Presentation
These will be presented on Monday 26 November following the Year 10 Farewell Liturgy at 9:45am
All parents/caregivers welcome

COMING EVENTS

WEEK 6
Monday 12 November ..............................................(Day 6)
⇒ Year 10 SC Exams (English; Science)
⇒ Year 12 HSC Exams continue (18 Oct-13 Nov)
⇒ Year 11 Bicycle Safety (selected students)
Tuesday 13 November .............................................(Day 7)
⇒ Year 10 SC Exams (Maths; Hist/Geog/Civics & Citizenship)
⇒ Year 11 RRISK Training (selected students)
Wednesday 14 November .......................................(Day 8)
⇒ Year 10 SC Exams (Online Computing) (14-16 Nov)
Thursday 15 November ………………………………(Day 9)
⇒ Year 9 Festa Christi (selected students) (15 & 16 Nov)
⇒ Step to the Future (selected students)
⇒ Scuba Open Water Dive (selected students)
⇒ Year 12 Graduation Formal (7:00pm, Twin Towns Services Club)
Friday 16 November ……………………………………(Day 10)
⇒ Year 10 Bush Hike (selected students)

WEEK 5
Monday 19 November …………………………………..(Day 1)
⇒ Tweed Valley Schools Golf Day
⇒ Year 7 2008 Information Evening (parents and students)
Tuesday 20 November ………………………………..(Day 2)
⇒ Y Year 11 First Aid Course (split course)
⇒ Year 7 2008 Orientation Day (students only)
Wednesday 21 November …………………………..(Day 3)
⇒ Year 11 First Aid Course (split course)
⇒ Year 11 RSA Course
⇒ Year 10 Reflection Day
Friday 23 November ……………………………………..(Day 5)
⇒ Year 11 RRISK Seminar
⇒ Year 10 Dreamworld & White Water World Excursion

Mr Peter Lyon
Deputy Principal

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Joseph’s Parish  St Anthony’s Parish
Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm  Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm (Kingscliff)
Sunday: 7:00am & 9:00am  Sunday: 7:00am (Pottsville)
Sunday: 9:00am (Bilambil)  Sunday: 9:00am (Kingscliff)
Fr Michael Brady  Fr Jim Griffin
Parish Priest  Parish Priest

Student of the Week
Last week’s ‘Student of the Week’ was Madison Wong (8B)
Watch out for next week’s Newsletter – it just might be you!

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Congratulations to Catalynne Scott (7E) who recently gained honours in her A.M.E.B. (Australian Music Examinations Board) Grade 3 Piano Exam.

A REMINDER: For the month of November only, all specially-marked second-hand uniforms will be on sale in the Uniform Shop for the special discounted rate of 50% off. So come on in and take advantage of the discount . . . for a limited time only!

Ms Debra Dawson
Uniform Shop Manager

CANTEEN NEWS AND ROSTER

MEAL OF THE WEEK
This week we will have our ‘Honey Mustard Chicken & Rice’ for the affordable price of $4.00. If you are super hungry, we can do a ‘super size’ version for $5.00. You MUST place your order EARLY to guarantee your lunch will be ready in time!

Canteen Roster

WEEK 5
Monday 12 November  Tracey Pringle & TBA
Tuesday 13 November  Debbie Davey & TBA
Wednesday 14 November  Vicki Minassian & TBA
Thursday 15 November  Lee Camp & TBA
Friday 16 November  Karen Holland & Jonny Cork

WEEK 6
Monday 19 November  Michelle Kirk & Fran Hardy
Tuesday 20 November  Lee Camp & Sonia Haaijer
Wednesday 21 November  Jean Colivas & TBA
Thursday 22 November  Donna Fien & Margaret Pulland
Friday 23 November  Bernadette Beatle & TBA

Mrs Dianne Pinkstone
Canteen Manager

SES, BANORA POINT ~ URGENT HELP NEEDED Banora/Tweed Coast State Emergency Service, covering an area from Tweed Heads to Pottsville, is urgently seeking new volunteers. An information night is being held this evening (Monday 12 November) at 7:30pm at the headquarters in Pioneer Parade, Banora Point. Whatever your background, skills or fitness, there are plenty of ways you can help. To reserve your place or to find out more, contact the SES on (07) 5569.4277 or email banora.ses@bigpond.com.au.

From the Editor: Apologies to all families for the omission in last week’s Newsletter of the list of all those involved with our wonderful College Musical. For our web-users, last week’s Newsletter has been updated on the College website. The next newsletter (going home on 19/11) will include photos from all the performances. Watch this space!!

The School Newsletter and School Calendar are both available online @ www.bps.lism.catholic.edu.au.

The School Calendar contains year group events, assessment schedules and term dates.