11 August 2008

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

**CITIUS – ALTIUS – FORTIUS**
**FASTER – HIGHER – STRONGER**

These three words are the motto of the Olympics. A motto is a phrase which sums up a life philosophy or a code of conduct to follow. These three words encourage the athlete to give his or her best during competition. Pierre de Coubertin, the founder of the modern Olympic movement, proposed the motto in 1894, when the International Olympic Committee (IOC) was created.

Beijing’s spectacular opening ceremony last Friday night (08-08-08) shows how much the Olympics have become a show piece of humanity. The values of excellence, friendship and respect are the foundation upon which the Olympic Movement brings together sport, culture and education for the betterment of human beings.

Not all of us make it to the Olympics. Many of us attended the Sydney Olympics in 2000 and marvelled at the achievement of the athletes of the world. Their achievements sometimes appear to be superhuman. But we can all aim at achieving our own personal best.

On Sunday 3 August, Father Michael in his homily spoke to the Gospel reading of Jesus feeding five thousand on five loaves of bread and two fish. Father Michael went on to say:

“\[In the Gospel, we see that when we translate our care and compassion into positive action, the little we are able to do is multiplied by God’s grace in such a way that it becomes more than sufficient for the need. All that Jesus needs from us to feed the hungry crowds of the world is our ‘five loaves and two fish’. Now why didn’t Jesus just go on and produce bread from thin air to feed the crowd? Simply because God needs our ‘five loaves and two fish’ in order to perform the amazing miracle of feeding the five thousand.\]"

The challenge for us is clear. We can’t all be champions like Olympians, but we do have the ability to make a difference in the lives of others if we but only take the opportunity.

Let’s all do something constructive with our ‘five loaves and two fish’ in the coming weeks.

Best wishes and
God Bless,

Mr Peter McLoughlin
Principal
Term 3, Week 4

Term 3 is now into its fourth week – just where has the time gone? Today we have lots to report on and there is still more to come.

Please remember that we are online. Visit the College website @ www.bps.lism.catholic.edu.au to see today’s publication in full colour. Our archive goes back a couple of years.

On Tuesday of this week, we conclude the Parent/Teacher/Student Evenings. Please be aware that your child’s teachers are available during school hours, but only when they are not teaching, and by appointment only.

We hope you enjoy today’s issue.

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Parents/Caregivers please note that
Term 3 concludes on Thursday 25 September 2008
ALL YEAR GROUPS CONCLUDE SCHOOL
TERM 3 ON THAT DAY

PRINCIPAL’S NOTES

STAFF CHANGES
This Wednesday, we farewell Mr Grieve who leaves us to go and teach in Vietnam. Mrs Michelle Heufel will be teaching Mr Grieve’s classes for the remainder of 2008.

Mr Piper concludes his contract as Special Education Teacher this Friday. Mrs Evans will return to her position on 18 August.

Gilberto Besanko has resigned as Chaplain to the three Parish schools. Allira Eppich will commence as Chaplain on 18 August. I am very appreciative of the volunteer work that Sean Seeto has done working with students in the Liturgy area.

My sincere thanks and best wishes to Mr Grieve, Mr Piper and Gilberto for their efforts here at the College.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION
This Friday, 15 August, is the Feast of the Assumption. It is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics. As Catholics we believe that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was taken up into heaven body and soul.

We will celebrate Mass at the College this Friday at 9:00am. All parents are most welcome.

YEAR 12
This is the second week of the Trial HSC Exams. Please continue to pray for our Year 12s as they sit for their exams this week.

Mr Peter McLoughlin
Principal

DEPUTY’S NOTICES

ATTENDANCE:
IT’S NOT OK TO BE AWAY!

How long would a person last in the workforce if he or she were to take 18 days a year off in “sickies?” Not long, that’s for sure.

Well, 18 days per year is precisely the average number of days absent that our students have each year; a totally unacceptable preparation for life in the workforce besides severely impacting on a student’s educational progress.

There is no doubt that the majority of parents do not role model these absence rates. Then why do your children do so? Is it because you allow them to miss school for shopping trips, looking after younger brothers/sisters etc?

The way to develop in our children a positive and appropriate work ethic is not only to role model it but also say NO absolutely to any absence other than genuine illness.

Should you require assistance in saying no to your son/daughter with regard to any absences other than genuine illness, please contact his/her Year Coordinator.

Let’s all work together to make a difference to your child’s future. Say NO to absence.

Be on time,
Be at school,
That’s the rule!
COMING EVENTS

WEEK 4
Tuesday 12 August ...........................................(Day 1)
- UNSW English Competition
- Border Schools Debating (12-26 Aug)
- Year 7 Parent/Teacher/Student Evening  Diary Note

Wednesday 13 August ...........................................(Day 3)
- Legacy Week Memorial Service

Friday 15 August ...................................................(Day 5)
- Feast of the Assumption

WEEK 5
Thursday 21 August .............................................(Day 9)
- Diocesan Netball Carnival

WEEK 6
Monday 25 August ...............................................(Day 1)
- Year 12 HSC Industrial Technology Practical
- Year 12 Science Excursion (selected students)

Wednesday 27 August ...........................................(Day 3)

Thursday 28 August .............................................(Day 4)
- Diocesan Athletics Carnival

WEEK 7
Monday 1 September ............................................(Day 6)
- Year 11 Precise Driver Education
- Year 10 History & Geography Excursions
- Working with Animals Careers Day CWS (selected students)

Tuesday 2 September ............................................(Day 7)
- Year 11 Reflection Day "Wired"

Wednesday 3 September .......................................(Day 8)
- EXPO 2008

Thursday 4 September ..........................................(Day 9)
- Year 11 Reflection Day "Wired"

Friday 5 September .............................................(Day 10)
- Year 12 Semester 2 Reports handed out

WEEK 8
Monday 8 September ............................................(Day 1)
- Diocesan Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 10 September ......................................(Day 3)
- Leadership Mass
- Year 11 Meals on Wheels (selected students)

Friday 12 September .............................................(Day 5)
- NSWCCC Athletics Carnival
- Year 11 Meals on Wheels (selected students)

WEEK 9
Wednesday 17 September .....................................(Day 8)
- Year 11 End of Course Examinations (17-25 Sept)

Friday 19 September ............................................(Day 10)
- Regional Debating

WEEK 10
Wednesday 24 September .....................................(Day 3)
- Graduation Mass
- Year 12 Farewell Assembly

Thursday 25 September .........................................(Day 4)

Friday 26 September .............................................(Day 5)
- Staff Spirituality Day

~ REMINDER ~
College Policy regarding Head Lice:
When we encounter an incidence of head lice, parents are contacted to have their child’s hair treated.
Please note that Health regulations stipulate that students are not to return to school until all eggs and lice have been eliminated.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Reading of the Week
Today's Reading comes the God's Word written in the Gospel of Matthew:

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law and the Prophets also.'

Mr Scott McDermott, RE Coordinator - Ministry

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

To be celebrated at the College this week:

The Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
This coming Friday, 15 August
9:00am in the Doyle Centre

Do you know the meaning of this word?

Love: (n.) to have a great attachment to and affection for; an intense emotion of affection, warmth, fondness and regard towards a person or thing; God's benevolent attitude towards man.

The following quote relates to 'love':

Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life. Confucius

Where love is, there God is also. Mohandas Gandhi

No one is a friend to his friend who does not love in return. Plato

The best proof of love is trust. Joyce Brothers

In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love. Mother Teresa

The things that we love tell us what we are. Saint Thomas Aquinas

Mr Peter Lyon
Deputy Principal

Extended Periods of Leave: If you are planning a holiday during the term dates, a letter requesting leave should be forwarded to the Principal in advance.
**CURRICULUM NEWS**

**CURRICULUM AWARDS ON ASSEMBLY**
At last week’s Assembly, the following students were presented with their Curriculum Award for excellence in formal assessments during July:

**Year 11**
- Jacob Bush
  - Studies of Religion 1, English-Advanced, Economics

**Year 9**
- Ellouise Southon
  - Catholic Studies, English, French, History, Industrial Technology-Multimedia, PD/HPE

Mrs Helen Borrowdale  
Curriculum Coordinator

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**Tweed Shire Youth Alcohol and Other Drugs Project**

**- - COMMUNITY CONSULTATION - -**

**What:**
A consultation with the community about:
- alcohol and drug use among young people in the Tweed Shire.
- the impact this has on young people and the wider community.
- the lack of appropriate health and other services to address this issue.

**Who:**
Any interested and/or affected members of the community who works or lives in the Tweed Shire.

**When & Where:**
There are two consultation times.
- **Option 1:** 1:00-2:30pm, Tuesday 12 August, Pottsville Community Centre Coast Road, Pottsville
- **Option 2:** 7:00-8:30pm, Tuesday 12 August, Coolamon Cultural Centre Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah

For more information about the community consultation or the Tweed Alcohol and Other Drugs Needs Analysis Project, please contact Shasi Johnston, Project Coordinator, Mobile: (0414) 272.753 or email: sjohnston@lconsultancy.com.au

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**DENIM FOR DOMINIC**

**NEXT FRIDAY, 22 AUGUST**

Students are invited to **WEAR SOMETHING DENIM**

in support of our sponsored child, Dominic, who lives in Uganda. The students through the Representative Council have sponsored Dominic since 2000.

A gold coin donation will be collected during Homeroom to raise the funds for Dominic’s sponsorship.

You may wear a pair of jeans OR a denim shirt OR a denim jacket, BUT SOMETHING DENIM.

The College requires that you wear CLOSED shoes only  
~ THIS MEANS NO OPEN SHOES, NO SANDALS, NO THONGS, NOR ANY VARIATION ON THIS THEME!

*Student Representative Council*

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**Australian Red Cross Blood Service**

**Give Blood at South Tweed Sports Club**
4 Minjungbal Drive (Old Pacific Hwy)

**Monday 25 August:** 2:30pm – 6:00pm (Term 3, Week 6)  
**Tuesday 26 August:** 10:00am – 2:00pm (Term 3, Week 6)

Call Lismore Donor Centre on (02) 6620 2320 to make an appointment. Go to www.donateblood.com.au, or call 13 14 95 to find out if you are eligible to donate.

On the day of donation remember to bring photo ID, drink at least 4 glasses of juice or water, and have something substantial to eat.

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**CAREERS NEWS**

**OPEN DAYS**
A few more University Open Days coming up in the next few weeks/ months:

- **Bond University Open Day**  
  Sunday 17 August, 2008  
  10:00am – 3:00pm

- **USQ Open Day,**  
  Toowoomba Campus  
  Sunday 17 August, 2008  
  10:00am – 3:00pm

- **USC Open Day,**  
  Sippy Downs  
  Sunday 17 August, 2008  
  10:00am – 3:00pm

- **UNE Open Day**  
  Friday, 5 September 2008

**Visit the relevant websites for more information**

Mr Matt Hall  
Careers Advisor

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College Procedures: Unsure of College Procedures or Policies? The student diary contains information.  
If you don’t find the answer, contact the relevant Year Coordinator.
ENGLISH NEWS

Last Thursday, Louis Monaghan (8SS2) and Macalla Fenn (8SS2) travelled to Casino to contest the Junior Legacy Public Speaking Competition. Both students performed most admirably and represented the College extremely well.

Congratulations Macalla and Louis, and many thanks to Ms Vella for accompanying the students.

Mrs Janet Crouch
English Coordinator

LITERACY AND NUMERACY NEWS

National Literacy and Numeracy Week is an Australian Government initiative that celebrates successful literacy and numeracy practices and achievements in schools.

National Literacy and Numeracy Week will:

1. offer opportunities for community awareness of the importance of literacy and numeracy skills
2. promote successful literacy and numeracy practices
3. acknowledge the achievements of schools whose literacy and/or numeracy programs have raised the performance of their students
4. affirm the importance of the role of parents and caregivers in supporting students' literacy and numeracy learning

National Literacy and Numeracy Week will be celebrated in the week commencing 1 September 2008. During the Week, a range of short videos will be available on the website (http://www.nlnw.nsw.edu.au) for teacher and parent use and involvement.

An Australian Government Initiative

At the National Literacy and Numeracy Week website, there are many parent support booklets translated into six languages other than English: http://www.nlnw.nsw.edu.au/parentb.htm.

Mr Carlo Trimboli
Literacy and Numeracy Coordinator

St Joseph’s College
invites you to
EXPO 2008
A SHOWCASE OF OUR STUDENTS’ SKILLS AND TALENTS
Wednesday 3 September 2008
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 2008!

YEAR 11 NEWS

YEAR 11 STUDENTS

PRECISE DRIVER TRAINING COURSE

A reminder to all Year 11 students regarding the Precise Driver Training Course letters given out last week:

When: Monday 1 September
Where: Carrara
Cost: $160

Students need their Learners Permit or Provisional Licence to partake in this course.

Please return your forms to Mr Rowland by 22 August.

Numbers strictly limited.

Mr Shane Rowland
Year 11 Coordinator
CAREERS NEWS

Today we have a few notices for the attention of our students.

Please see me about any information provided here, or about any careers matters you would like to discuss.

Mr Matt Hall
Careers Advisor

RAILCORP APPRENTICESHIPS 2008

RailCorp is a secure and rewarding organisation that offers unrivalled opportunities for apprentices to gain life long skills and drive fulfilling careers.

Each year RailCorp offers around 80 apprenticeships to applicants who have a genuine interest in the rail industry.

Types of apprenticeships:

Apprentices work in a wide range of trades. Modern electronic equipment and machinery is used throughout training to ensure that trade skills and practices are up-to-date.

Available Apprenticeships include:
- Telecommunications / Rolling Stock Vehicle Body Builder / Trimmer / Rail Overhead Line Worker (Rail Traction) / Signal Electrician / Substations Distribution Plant Mechanic / Rolling Stock Fitter Mechanic / Rolling Stock Electrical/Fitter Machinist / Cable Jointer

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 15 AUGUST 2008.
More Info: Recruitment: recruitment@railcorp.nsw.gov.au
Website: http://www.railcorp.info/careers

COUNTRY ENERGY 2009 APPRENTICESHIPS

With a 3,600 strong workforce located throughout NSW, Country Energy is one of Australia's largest regional employers, offering a range of clerical, trade, and professional career opportunities.

Country Energy's apprenticeship training program provides 3-4 years of technical training and an opportunity to embark on an exciting and challenging career in the energy industry.

By providing apprenticeship opportunities in the bush, Country Energy are helping to retain locally-based, qualified skills. Apprenticeships provide new recruits with the skills and training to establish a foundation for long-term employment and career development in their local community.

The apprenticeships being offered in 2009 include the following trades:
- Powerline Worker (Lineworker)
- Electrical Technician
- Electrical Technician (Zone Substation)
- Cable Jointer

Apprenticeships are being offered in 56 communities across the State, from Wentworth and Moama in the south, west to Broken Hill and north to Tweed Heads.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 22 AUGUST 2008.
More Info: Recruitment Team: 02 6338 3555  Email: careers@countryenergy.com.au
Website: http://www.countryenergy.com.au

WORKING WITH ANIMALS CAREERS DAY

Tuesday 2 September 2008

Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary is proud to host the Fourth ‘WWACD’ Event

The day will be run as an expo, with the various organisations hosting a careers display. Additionally, careers talks will be held in the education centre throughout the day.

Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary (CWS) has invited representatives from different animal fields, including the RSPCA, the Department of Primary Industries, the local council, Vet practices, pet shops, animal training institutions and last but not least our very own Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary (CWS) wildlife staff.

The aims of the day are to provide:
- realistic information about careers associated with working with animals
- course information and subject guidance
- opportunities to meet individuals already in the field
- workshops based on different organisations and careers
- opportunity to enrol in work experience/volunteer programs at CWS

CWS is offering a discounted rate of $5.00 per student (including entry to the Sanctuary) which is only available to students taking part in a school group visit, and accompanied by a teacher. This visit must be pre-arranged with Mr Hall, the College’s Careers Advisor.

Only genuinely interested students need apply!
Please see Mr Hall ASAP.
As a follow-up to the previous twenty-four ‘Bad Attitude’ articles that we have published in the College Newsletter since 2007, we leave you with a few thoughts from the author of the book, Michele Borba Ed.D., “Beyond the Crisis”:

Okay, you’ve targeted your child’s worst attitudes to work on, you’ve read the right chapters, you’ve designed a specific makeover plan, and you’ve even identified some of those same attitudes in yourself. You’ve realized change isn’t going to be quick or easy, so you’ve committed yourself to be consistent, reliable, tenacious, and committed.

Many of you have kept track of the Attitude Makeover, and some of you may have met regularly with your parent support group. You may have even read a few of the extra resources. In fact, you’re well on your way to making significant changes in your children’s bad attitudes and can see that not too far down the road, there’s a real possibility that you’ll succeed in putting out the fire and moving out of crisis mode.

Congratulations! I knew you could do it. What you’ve achieved so far is commendable and no small piece of cake. You’ve made some crucial repairs, you’ve done a lot of important remodelling, and you may have even added a room or two. But now you need to take an even longer view to imagine the future shape and foundation of your entire family structure – the place where you dwell both literally and spiritually. You need to create a permanent new way of being together, of relating to one another in your personal, domestic, and community life.

Real change takes more than just reading a book and starting to walk the talk. Our ultimate goal is not only eliminating our children’s bad attitudes, but also giving them an entirely new worldview based on a solid foundation of strong values and good moral examples. And if we don’t, there’s a good chance that they will slip back to their old bad attitudes and aimless view of the world.

It’s going to be just great when your child turns the corner and gets rid of these bad attitudes, you’ve been working on. But be honest – where do you go from there unless you can provide him with a new view based on your own solid knowledge, experience, and moral beliefs. So let’s move on. Let’s get out of the reactive, emergency, crisis mode. Let’s go forward to the place where we can prevent this epidemic from ever happening again. Let’s begin to convey a positive, proactive view of how to live that our kids can adopt and enjoy for the rest of their lives. And the good news is that not only will this help your children, but it’s the best hope we have for a world that is decent, sane, and humane.

So let’s begin. There are a few basic tenets and solid life principles that have lasted through the ages. In some shape or form, these principles appear in all cultures, religions, and civilizations. And the main thing they all have in common is not just preventing bad attitudes from happening and that trait factor from taking hold, but they cultivate a society whose children are not spoiled, selfish, defiant, and insensitive but rather selfless, compassionate, respectful, and empathetic. In the end, they are the kinds of children that we all hope and dream for.

Different religions, cultures, and spiritual disciplines have their own unique language in expressing these life principles. But here is my version of the basic list. It’s what we can do as parents and also convey into all the relationships and activities in our lives.

The Ultimate Principles for Inspiring Human Attitudes

1. Be loving. It’s the greatest gift and greatest blessing. It’s the basis of all relationships and morality. The more love and kindness you give, the more you receive. Remember that the best gift you can give your child is of yourself.
2. Be consistent. Regularity, structure, and clear boundaries create trust. It’s what your child needs to feel safe and secure, so provide it.
3. Be a good example. Provide the kind of moral model you want your children to copy. Your child needs someone to look up to.
4. Be authentic. Never fake a feeling or act out a phony behaviour. Your child needs you to be sincere, genuine, and your real self at all times.
5. Be present. Be here now. Don’t let work and other distractions interfere with remaining in the moment in direct contact and communication with your child and other loved ones.
6. Be positive. Things often turn out on the basis of your way of looking at it. If you’re optimistic and hopeful about the future, it may turn out to be self-fulfilling.

7. Be patient. Slow down and get in sync with your children. Life goes by all too quickly, so why speed things up? And don’t forget, change takes time.
8. Be persistent. Life is a long-distance run. Perseverance pays off, so never give up, especially when it comes to helping your children.
9. Be selfless. Get out of your shoes, put your energy into others, and take your child along with you on the journey.
10. Be active. Don’t just sit there. When you have a good idea or realise something is wrong, be proactive. Your actions will show your child that the only way to accomplish deeds large or small is by putting full speed ahead.
11. Be simple. Your child doesn’t need a whole lot to be happy; in fact, less really is better. It will help him develop appreciation and gratitude for the essential things in life.
12. Be believing. Every human being needs something to live by: a set of guiding principles, a sense of right and wrong. You need to be clear, conscious, and consistent with it, so your child knows where you stand and has the opportunity to follow.
13. Be open. Flexibility is strength. Learning new things, having new ideas, and allowing exposure to other points of views and ways of being are lessons you need to experience and pass on to your children.
14. Be empathic. Above all else, the most important virtue humans can aspire to is the ability to understand and get inside another person’s feelings. Empathy is the effective antidote to attitudes that are selfish, insensitive, and cruel.

And the best way our children can learn it is by experiencing our empathy for them.

This isn’t such an easy world for parents and children alike. We’re living in uncertain and dangerous times. The attitudes we see in our children to some extent not reflect only our family dynamics but also the influence of the world at large. The problem is acute, and the stakes are high. There are some things way out of our control, but the one thing we can do is be parents.

Everything we do now is going to have an impact on our children and their world to come. So stop the blaming, the excusing, the rescuing and compromising, and start putting all your energy into what really matters: helping your children make the journey from bad attitudes to solid character. Ultimately, when all is said and done, it’s not how many goals they score, what academic degree they achieve, or how much money they’ll make that matters. It’s the kind of life they live and the world in which they live it.

If you would like to read previous articles on this subject, you can refer to previous Newsletters, using the following guide:

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Ms Frances Stegeman
Pastoral Advisor
SPORTS NEWS

“SJC GALLANT IN AREA FINAL DEFEAT”

BILL TURNER TROPHY 15 YEARS GIRLS SOCCER

SJC payed the price for a slow start in the North Coast Area Final against Alstonville High School at Banora Playing Fields on Tuesday 29 July (Week 2, Term 3), eventually losing 4-2.

The SJC girls were ready for the clash with a near full strength team. In the first five minutes SJC suffered an injury to their key midfielder when she was concussed by a ball to the forehead at point blank range. A bit of panic set into SJC and at the 11 minute mark, a talented Alstonville striker broke free sending the match ball well into the back of the SJC net. It was the first goal SJC had let in this year.

The return of the SJC injured midfielder gave them a psychological boost and SJC were very competitive for the next twenty minutes. Alstonville were fighting to maintain the ascendency but SJC, in their third straight Area Final, were not going to surrender themselves easily. In injury time, at the 31st minute mark, the task became a whole lot harder for SJC when a long range shot at goal took an unlucky deflection off an SJC defender on the goal line to dribble into the back of the SJC goal. Half time. Alstonville lead 2-0.

A call at half time on the character of each player to shine gave rise to a very exciting second half of soccer. SJC threw attack after attack at the Alstonville side. The SJC backline muscled up sending a clear message to their opposition that this SJC side will never say die. A free kick to Alstonville was always going to be a danger to SJC. The kick was well struck and the wind did the rest, lifting the ball forty meters in the air, taking the SJC keeper by surprise. At the 8 minute mark of the second half Alstonville had landed three heavy blows on the scoreboard to lead 3-0. For most sides this would have been enough to confirm defeat and the white flag raised, but not this SJC side. As long as the game was on SJC would never give up and 3 minutes later SJC struck back with their first goal from a very talented and skilful finish by the SJC striker.

SJC were slowly clawing their way back into the game as they applied pressure by adding an extra dynamic player into the midfield. This meant that the defensive line were short a player but the result was a number of breaks that resulted in some threatening shots at goal. With 3 minutes of playing time remaining SJC set the game alight with a goal by the hard working extra midfielder. The smallish crowd went crazy as SJC fought back to within a goal of their opposition.

For the next three minutes it was all SJC as they pressed for the equaliser. A perfect through ball was picked up by a lightening quick SJC striker and was fired at pace across the face of the goal from a difficult angle. The ball had beaten the Alstonville keeper and may have even skimmed the goal post but was a fraction too wide. It was SJC’s last throw of the dice. Moments later, in injury time, Alstonville put the game beyond the reach of SJC as another deflection, this time from a corner kick, found its way into the SJC net. The final result saw Alstonville advance to the final 16 of the competition 4-2 victors over SJC.

In the end SJC had let Alstonville get too far away in the first half and it was always going to be a mammoth effort to turn the game around.

The effort from SJC to fight to the absolute end was brilliant in its resilience, determination and courage. It was an effort typical of SJC Bill Turner Soccer teams of the past two to three years. Each player should be proud of their achievements this year as soccer players, students of the College and as individuals.

Special thanks must go to Mr Wayne De Venny who has supported the side with his driving, presence and interest in every game; to Georgie Oram (past player and Year 10 student) for her support and work as Team Manager; and also to the parents and family of the players who have supported the efforts of the team this season.

Finally, a special mention must go to the staff and students of SJC who have showed their support in many ways for this side in following their progress. The players are very lucky to represent such supporters.

The SJC team for 2008 was:


Mr Carlo Trimboli – Coach
Georgina Oram (10SJ1) – Manager

TWEED COAST ‘SLAMMERS’ BASKETBALL

The following information has been forwarded to the College in respect of one of our students.

Sienna van Rossum (7VS1) with Lauren Jackson from the Australian “Opals” Basketball Team (photograph taken at the Tallebudgera Sports Centre).

Sienna is a member of the Tweed Coast Slammers Basketball Club and represented the club at the training session for the Olympic Team. Sienna is in the Division 1 side which currently sits outright second in the Gold Coast Championship, with the team already twice Gold Coast Champions in previous seasons. Sienna was also named ‘Best & Fairest’ in the Tweed Valley Competition. Lucky Sienna had Lauren Jackson sign an Australian flag on the night.

Other St Joseph’s College students from the Under 14 Girls Tweed Coast Slammers are Naomi Simpson (7DR1), Brianna Graham (7DR1), Maddison Beattie (8LM1) and Grace Beattie (8KD1).

Sport: Sport is an important part of the school and students are expected to attend sport each week.
St Joseph’s College held its Annual Athletics Carnival on Friday 1 August 2008.

The weather was great, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. I congratulate our attending students for their commitment and support in taking part in the events. It was obvious that they were enjoying themselves and their enthusiasm in supporting their team is to be commended.

Congratulations to Reynolds House on their win.

Final House points were:

- Reynolds: 1490
- Hanly: 1430
- Hoade: 1270
- Dalton: 1159

2008 Record Breakers:

The following students were ‘record breakers’ for 2008:

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2008 Champion Athlete:

The 2008 Billy Hardy Memorial Shield Winner is:

Valuables: Students are asked not to bring large sums of cash or valuable items to school.
ANNUAL COLLEGE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
FRIDAY 1 AUGUST 2008

And the Winner is . . .
Reynolds

DALTON

HANLY

HOADE

REYNOLDS
STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*:Could this be a picture of you?:*

The nominated student is required to present themselves to the College Principal before Friday of this week. If this student does, they will receive a voucher to the value of $5 for purchases at the Canteen.

KEEP WATCHING THIS SPACE – THE NEXT TIME IT COULD BE YOU!

Student Council

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENT UNIFORMS
Uniform order forms were distributed early last week. Please return before 5 September if you wish to receive uniforms for the start of the 2009 school year.

Our manufacturer advises that orders received after that date cannot be guaranteed for uniform pick-up in January next year.

CURRENT PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS (COMING TO SJC FOR YEAR 7 2009)
Fittings for Year 7 2009 students will be held from Monday 18 to Thursday 21 August (not 22 August as advised on the order form) and Monday 25 to Wednesday 27 August. Fittings will take place from 3:00pm to 6:00pm on these dates.

Please note that these Primary School Fitting Dates are STRICTLY FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED TO ATTEND YEAR 7 NEXT YEAR. Please no other students to attend.

Ms Debra Dawson
Uniform Shop Manager

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

TWEED COAST JUNIOR TOUCH
(PAYED ON FRIDAY NIGHTS AT CASUARINA RUGBY UNION FIELDS)

Sign-On: Fridays, 8 August & 15 August, 4:00-5:00pm
Eligible: Boys & Girls, Aged 7-18
Cost: $40 per player
Competition: 19 September 2008 to 27 March 2009
Enquiries: Les or Ellen (02) 6676.3234

TWEED HEADS & COOLANGATTA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB
GREENMOUNT BEACH

NIPPER SIGN-ON

Date: Sunday 14 September
Time: 9:00am to 12:30pm
Where: Oasis Pools, Banora Point
Cost: $3.00 entry fee

For any further enquiries, please call Helen or Kellie on (07) 5536.1506, Reg on (0411) 228 716 or Darren on (0423) 821.293 or email thcslsc@bigpond.net.au

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Mrs Dianne Pinkstone
Canteen Manager

Messages to Students: Office staff cannot disrupt teaching in order to deliver messages that are not of an urgent nature.

Year Coordinators will endeavour to deliver non-urgent messages at lunchtime, or prior to the end of the school day.