Principal’s Message

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

Term 2 has been a flurry of wonderful and positive activity. Aside from the glorious autumn weather, we have had 62 Year 10 students return from a memorable trip to Sydney and Canberra. Our appreciation to Mr Tony Channell, Mrs Janet Crouch, Mrs Michelle Heazlewood-Ross and Mrs Angela Jordan for their efforts, and to the students for being such good ambassadors.

This last week our Year 12 students have been on retreat. This too is a memorable occasion but more importantly it’s a significant event in their final year of schooling as they take time to reflect on their life to-date, prepare for their rite of passage into adulthood, and furthering their spiritual journey. Again, the community thanks and appreciation to Fr Michael Brady, Mr Alain Sauvage, Mr Scott McDermott, Mr Shane Rowland, Miss Allira Eppich, Miss Helen Gooley, Mr Matt Hall, Mr Tom Nethery, Mrs Vicki Sargent, Ms Frances Stegeman, Miss Charmaine Vella, Mr Mark Williams and Mr Michael Joseph for their commitment to the faith development of our students. A special thank you to Mrs Jane Joseph and Ms Debra Dawson who did so much in preparation of this event.

Last week, Years 7 and 9 undertook the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) Tests. We look forward to receiving the results in August. The data will help to inform us in shaping curriculum to meet your child’s needs.

Our “On Show” and Talent Quest evening THIS FRIDAY is going to be an extraordinary showcase of all that we offer here at ‘Joey’s’ as well as some of the amazing talents of our students. The atmosphere will be terrific! Please join us! Details below.

Mr Peter Lyon

An invitation is extended to all families in the district to see and experience SJC in action at . . .

St Joseph’s College
Banora Point
ON SHOW!
Friday
May 22

3:45pm - 6:00pm Guided tours, (including free sausage sizzle from 5:00-6:00pm), tea/coffee (or cordial for students)

6:00 - 8:45pm Talent Quest Finals . . .

Come along and join us to watch the talent and enjoy dinner as well!

Menu choices: BBQ burgers ($3), soft drinks ($2), bottled water ($1), chips ($1), chocolate bars ($2) (proceeds to support the Year 12 Graduation)

Entry to the Talent Quest: Gold coin per person, or $note for a family

 Plenty of carparking on College oval
YEAR 7 2010 ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS DUE
Tuesday 9 June 2009 (Week 7)
A reminder that completed application forms should be accompanied by:
✓ the (non-refundable) enrolment application fee of $55.00.
✓ photocopies of the last two school reports.
✓ photocopies of sacramental program certificate/s (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, if applicable).
✓ a photocopy of the child’s birth certificate.

Please note PHOTOCOPIES only, as there will be a charge for photocopying your originals if photocopies are not provided.

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S NOTES
SECOND ROUND OF VACCINATIONS
NSW SCHOOL-BASED VACCINATION PROGRAM 2009
The second round of the programmed vaccinations will take place next week on Monday 25 May at St Joseph’s College for:
- Varicella (chickenpox) (single dose) all Year 7.
- Gardasil (HPV) (2nd dose of 3) Year 7 girls only.

A team of specially trained registered nurses from NSW Health will administer these vaccines. After the students have been vaccinated they will be given a Record of Vaccination to take home. A reminder that it is important that they provide this to their GP to ensure that records are kept up to date.

Parent information kits containing consent forms were sent home last term. Consent forms should have been returned to the College by now.

COMING EVENTS
This week’s events are on the front page of today’s newsletter.

WEEK 6
Monday 1 June (Day 1)
- Public Speaking “Speak Easy” (selected students)
Wednesday 3 June (Day 4)
- Diocesan Touch Carnival

WEEK 7
Monday 8 June (Day 6)
- Public Holiday - Queen’s Birthday
Tuesday 9 June (Day 7)
- Years 7-10 Half-Yearly Exams (9 to 15 June)
- Year 12 Parent/Teacher/Student Evening
- Due date for Year 7 2010 Enrolments
Wednesday 10 June (Day 9)
- Year 12 HSC French Day
- ICAS Science Competition (selected students)
Friday 12 June (Day 10)
- Year 11 “Meals on Wheels” (selected students)

WEEK 8
Tuesday 16 June (Day 2)
- Year 11 Semester 1 Reports posted
Thursday 18 June (Day 3)
- Year 8 PE Incursion “Verbal Combat”
Friday 19 June (Day 5)
- NSWCCC Cross Country

WEEK 9
Tuesday 23 June (Day 7)
- Year 11 Physics Excursion (selected students)
Friday 26 June (Day 10)
- College Athletics Carnival
- Year 7 Semester 1 Reports posted
Sunday 28 June
- Parish Youth Mass

WEEK 10
Monday 29 June (Day 1)
- Sports Teams Photo Day
Tuesday 30 June (Day 2)
- Diocesan Open Soccer KO Competition
- Year 10 Semester 1 Reports posted
- Year 11 Parent/Teacher/Student Evening
Wednesday 1 July (Day 4)
- Year 8 Semester 1 Reports posted
Friday 3 July (Day 5)
- Year 9 Food Technology
- Diocesan Surfing Competition
- Year 9 Semester 1 Reports posted

WEEK 11
Tuesday 7 July (Day 7)
- Year 7 Parent/Teacher/Student Evening
Wednesday 8 July (Day 9)
- Tweed Valley Finals
Friday 10 July (Day 10)
- TERM 2 ENDS - THIS IS A NORMAL SCHOOL DAY
- Year 11 “Meals on Wheels” (selected students)

Please always check the latest College Newsletter to get the most up-to-date information on our coming events.

Mr Peter Lyon
Deputy Principal

LETTER BOX

The following letters were sent home with your child/ren recently:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
This week’s prayer is a special one as this Sunday we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus.
Mr Scott McDermott
RE Coordinator-Ministry

READING OF THE WEEK
Today’s reading comes from the Acts of the Apostle. God took Christ beyond our sight, leaving us the power of his Spirit. As we await the return of Jesus, let us pray for all his disciples.

Jesus told his disciples: “The Holy Spirit will come upon you and give you power. Then you will tell everyone about me in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and everywhere in the world.” After Jesus had said this and while they were watching, he was taken up in the sky. They could not see him, but as he went up, they kept looking up into the sky.

Suddenly two men dressed in white clothes were standing there beside them. They said, “Why are you men from Galilee standing here and looking up into the sky? Jesus has been taken to heaven. But he will come back in the same way that you have seen him go.”

God of all creation, help us to follow Christ to do God’s work in the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
St Joseph’s Parish
Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm
Sunday: 7:00am & 9:00am

St Anthony’s Parish
Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm (Kingscliff)
Sunday: 7:00am (Pottsville)
Saturday: 9:00am (Bilambil)

Fr Michael Brady Fr Jim Griffin
Parish Priest Parish Priest

Editor’s Note:
- Further to the ANZAC Day March report in the 4 May Newsletter, the name of Daniel Leslie (8C) was not included in the list of our students who marched. Apologies Daniel and great marching!
- Further to the Sports News report in last week’s Newsletter regarding the Diocesan Touch Carnival, I omitted the names of Ashleigh Dunemann (12B) and Katherine McCleary (11C), who were selected in the Open Girls Lismore Diocesan team which will be competing in the NSW Combined Catholic Colleges Carnival to be held in Wollongong on 3 June 2009. Congratulations girls and apologies for the omission.

The School Newsletter and School Calendar are both available online at www.bps.lism.educatholic.edu.au.
The School Calendar contains year group events, assessment schedules and term dates.
NOTIFICATION TO OUR FAMILIES: Family Faith Gathering postponed to Term 4 (date TBA)
Please be advised that the Family Faith Gathering set down for 23 and 24 May at Tyalgum has been postponed due to small numbers of families attending. This date was found to conflict with a number of events which are occurring at this time of the year in the lives of our families. It is hoped that the Family Faith Gathering may take place in Term 4 of this year.

Thank you
Mary Lynch
Chairperson
Tweed Regional Parent Assembly

CURRICULUM NEWS

CURRICULUM AWARDS ON ASSEMBLY
The following students have received a Curriculum Award for excellence in formal assessments. These awards were presented on assembly last week:

**Year 12**
- Madison Butler: Biology, English-Advanced, Studies of Religion 1
- Sharna Mathieu: English-Advanced, Modern History, Studies of Religion 1

**Year 10**
- Brendan Bartel: English, Industrial Technology-Timber, Mathematics Stage 5.3
- Sarah Hipwell: English, Food Technology, Mathematics Stage 5.3

**Year 9**
- Maccalla Fenn: Food Technology, French, Science
- Felix Langenbach: French, Mathematics Stage 5.3, Science
- Andrew Lynch: Catholic Studies, Industrial Technology-Timber, Science

**Year 8**
- Martin Campbell: English, HSIE, Technology
- Tamika Edwards: Catholic Studies, French, PD/H/PE
- Lenett Hillman: Catholic Studies, French, HSIE, Music, Technology
- Sophie Johns: English, French, Music, Technology
- Melody McAllister: Catholic Studies, Music, Technology
- Ainsley McLucas: French, HSIE, Music
- Skye O’Halloran: French, Mathematics Stage 4.2, Music
- Louis Oram: Catholic Studies, French, Technology

On Tuesday the 14th of April, I travelled down to Sydney as part of the University of Sydney Gifted and Talented Discovery Science Program. The 3-day course focused on physics, chemistry and biology, spending a day on each branch of science.

On the first day, we looked at physics. We tracked pulsars, ‘bent’ light and observed the effects of liquid nitrogen on balloons and squash balls.

Next was chemistry. We looked at about 20 experiments in all including touch powder (a substance when touched explodes instantly), dry ice and even my hair). We could find into it (eggs, vegetables, flowers, dry ice and even my hair).

The third day was biology. We dissected a snail for future career paths rather than narrowing it down. I’d definitely recommend this to other interested in learning about areas they are interested.

Torrey Atkin (11D)

GIFTED AND TALENTED (GTAL) NEWS

On Monday April 20th, I (along with several other people in my year) attended Bond University's Grade 11 Headstart Day.

When I arrived at the Uni, I had no idea what to expect from it and was a little hesitant about the whole thing. But as soon as the first seminar began, my initial doubts were forgotten. The seminars that were on offer were excellent because they suited a wide variety of interests; from law to sports management, international relations to biomedical science. Being able to choose which ones we wished to go to was great and the seminars I went to were very worthwhile. The facilities and lecturers at the University are fantastic and the seminars were very rewarding.

To put it simply, Grade 11 Headstart Day was an amazing opportunity. The experience certainly gave me more ideas for future career paths rather than narrowing it down. I’d definitely recommend this to other interested in learning about areas they are interested.

Torrey Atkin (11D)

CAREERS NEWS

Torrey Atkin, Jacquelyn Baker, Stephen Baker, Brandon Mackay, Katherine McCleary, Dominique Mottershead, Georgia Oram, Sophie Reynolds and Olivia Salmon from Year 11 attended the Headstart Day at Bond University held on 20 April (in the school holidays).

This program is offered every year at Bond University and the following is provided for the information of our Year 10 and 11 students and their families:

**WHAT IS HEADSTART DAY?**

Headstart Day is a great opportunity for ambitious Grade 10 or 11 students to sample university disciplines ranging from Law to Medicine. During this full day event students will hear from our world class academics on a range of hot topics, especially designed to expand the imagination and uncover possible career paths.

**WHEN IS HEADSTART DAY OFFERED?**

Headstart Day takes place on two pupil-free days during the year. The 2009 dates are:
* Grade 11 Headstart Day - Monday 20 April
* Grade 10 Headstart Day - Monday 19 October

**HOLD DO I REGISTER?**

Interested students should contact their school Career Advisor to register. Alternatively you can submit your interest for the Grade 10 Headstart day by emailing events@bond.edu.au.

**HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?**

Headstart Day is a free event for high school students and morning tea and lunch will be provided. Additional food is also available for purchase.

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On the first day, we looked at physics. We tracked pulsars, ‘bent’ light and observed the effects of liquid nitrogen on balloons and squash balls.

Next was chemistry. We looked at about 20 experiments in all including touch powder (a substance when touched explodes instantly), making fireworks as well as exploding hydrogen balloons. However the favourite was the afternoon session where we played with liquid nitrogen for 2 hours, sticking anything we could find into it (eggs, vegetables, flowers, dry ice and even my hair).

The third day was biology. We dissected a snail and an eye. We investigated the spreading of cane toads in Australia and looked at how they are rapidly evolving.

Overall the workshop provided us with facilities that we have never seen before let alone us. All of this made for a great time and an extraordinary experience.

Louis Monaghan (9A)
**SPORTS NEWS**

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Amy Elkington on her recent achievements at the Australian Surf Life Saving Pool Rescue Championships, held in Sydney at Homebush on 2 and 3 May 2009. Amy, who represents the Tweed Heads/ Coolangatta SLSC and was awarded one Silver Australian Medal in the Open Medley Relay and two Bronze, one in the U/17 Line Throw and the other in the Open Obstacle Relay. Congratulations Amy.

Mr Peter McLaughlin
Sports Coordinator

**BILL TURNER TROPHY JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER ROUND 1 SUCCESS AS SJC NET 10 GOALS**

The 2009 Bill Turner Trophy knockout competition for girls 15 years and under was against Banora Point High School on Friday of Week 2. With a very limited preparation time the match was an excellent opportunity to give the new players to the team some game experience before the competition hot up.

The match was a very one-sided affair with SJC dominating all facets of the game. The ability of the side to limit the opposition’s attacks and to service our own players up front was the most impressive quality of the team on the day.

The goals were scored by a variety of players with four girls getting their name on the score card. All around the ground there were impressive touches that showed promise of what may come this year.

In this 2009 season this SJC side will need to work hard on their individual skills if they are to match the success of past SJC Bill Turner girls’ teams. In future rounds of this competition the players will experience less time to make decisions, more aggressive opponents and much closer matches than the 10-0 whitewash of last Friday.

The 2009 Bill Turner Trophy Team for the Round 1 match was:

Bonnie Amos (8B) Ainsley McLucas (8A)
Briana Atkin (8C) Lauree Morgan (8E)
Ruby Bruce (8B) Hayley Raso (9F)
Eliza Campbell (9E) Rose-Marie Samuels (9B)
Celina Crema-Suh (8B) Hannah Simpson (9B)
Rikki Gardner (8C) Maddi Stewart (8E)
Olivia McLean (9B) Jade Wozney (8C)

Katie McCleary (11C) - Manager
Mr Carlo Trimboli - Coach

**COCHRANE CUP – RUGBY LEAGUE**

On Friday 8 May, Mr Robinson and I travelled with the St Joseph’s U/14 Rugby League team to a Gala Day held at Woodlawn College.

The day was attended by St John’s College, Xavier College Lennox Head, Mt St Patrick College Murwillumbah, and our own SJC. It provided the boys a great opportunity to mix with other boys their own age from fellow Catholic schools.

As teachers, Mr Robinson and I were extremely proud of our students. They gave their best on the field and were impeccably behaved at all times, so a good day was had by all.

The following is a list of students who deserve congratulations on their efforts:

Benjamin Andrews (9B) Samuel McWilliam (8E)
Cody Carroll (8B) Adam Myers (9E)
Jayden Chadburn (9A) Dylan O’Keefe (8B)
Zennon Dorough (8C) Reece Paddon (8D)
Daniel Goller (9C) Jesse Pratt (8B)
Leroy Gordon (9C) Mitchell Purse (8D)
Dayne Hollow (9A) Harrison Steele (8B)
Eli Hoolahan (8C) Andrew Vartuli (9D)
Brodie Howe (8D) Angus McCann (8D)

Mr John Besgrove

**HEALTHY EATING HABITS**

No doubt everyone has heard of the ‘GO FOR 2 & 5’ program, an Australian Government, State and Territory health initiative, which encourages everyone to include 2 servings of fruit and 5 servings of vegetables in their daily diet.

At the Canteen, we have lovely fresh food available on a daily basis and we encourage everyone to eat healthily by following this practice. Check out the daily specials, which are freshly prepared each day and ready.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**DO YOU KNOW THE MEANING OF THIS WORD?**

Choice: (n.) the act or an instance of choosing or selecting; the opportunity or power of choosing; a person or thing chosen or that may be chosen; an alternative action or possibility.

**PARISH YOUTH MASS**

Our Next Youth Mass will be held on Pentecost Sunday, 31 May 2009 (end of Week 5) in the Holy Family Chapel, St Joseph’s College, Doyle Drive, Banora Point commencing at 5:30pm

Youth Mass Dates for the remainder of 2009 are as follows:

**TERM 2:**
- Week 9: Sunday 28 June
- Last week of Term 2 school holidays: Sunday 26 July

**TERM 3:**
- Week 5: Sunday 30 August
- Week 9: Sunday 27 September
- Week 10: Sunday 3 October

**TERM 4:**
- Week 5: Sunday 25 October
- Week 6: Sunday 29 November

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