Dear Parents, Caregivers and Children,

Year 7 Canberra/Sydney Trip

Congratulations and thank you to all staff and students on a great 2012 Canberra/Sydney trip. Included today are some student reflections:

The Canberra and Sydney trip was exciting and educational. We travelled to all sorts of places like the Sydney Aquarium and Old and New Parliament House. On top of the wonderful places we visited, we also stayed in some delightful accommodation. The highlight of my trip would have to be Questacon. The free fall slide there was immense fun and everything there was fun and educational. This year’s Canberra/Sydney trip was incredible and will be a long lasting memory. I am sure that all of the Year Sevens to come will have as much fun as we did, if not more. Tom Jones

Going to Canberra and Sydney was incredible. The freezing cold weather surprised us all but that didn’t stop us from doing pretty much everything that you could do in Canberra. As soon as we landed in Canberra we headed off to the Portrait Gallery and Old and New Parliament House. Both of the Parliament Houses were very interesting and the whole of Year 7 learned loads of new information about Parliament there. We all enjoyed going to Questacon and the Free Fall tested some people’s bravery. We all really enjoyed the snow and had fun making a snowman. In Sydney we went to Taronga Zoo which was really exciting and we saw the seal and bird shows. This wonderful trip would not have been possible without the help of all of the teachers and parents, so thank you. Shannon Terris

The 2012 Year 7 Sydney/Canberra trip was extraordinary! We began our journey in Canberra, visiting Parliament House, Old Parliament House, the War Memorial and admiring the views from Mount Ainslie. As well as this we went to the National Museum and a highlight was Questacon where we enjoyed the Free Fall, Earthquake House and many activities. We also spent a day at the snow tobogganing and having snow fights. Our adventure proceeded in Sydney, marvelling at the Sydney Aquarium, Taronga Zoo and the sight of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. The trip was amazing and I would give up anything to do it all over again. Lucy Scanlan

Reflection

It’s the action, not the fruit of the action, that’s important. You have to do the right thing. It may not be in your power, may not be in your time, that there’ll be any fruit. But that doesn’t mean you stop doing the right thing. You may never know what results come from your action. But if you do nothing, there will be no result. Gandhi

Peace and Best Wishes

Sr Ann-Maree Nicholls, sgs

PRINCIPAL

Catholic Education Week

Catholic Education Week is being celebrated across Queensland throughout this week. The theme for Catholic Education Week 2012 is: Celebrating Community – Family Parish School.

‘Community’ is at the heart of the Catholic tradition. For two thousand years people have come together in community to share the story of Jesus, to nurture and strengthen each other, and to commit themselves to continuing his mission.

Our Catholic school philosophy embraces this sense of community, evidenced by the positive relationships which exist between families, parishes and schools. There are 292 Catholic schools in Queensland that educate 138,000 students and employ more than 17,000 teachers and staff. At Sts Peter and Paul’s we will highlight Catholic Education Week by celebrating a whole school Mass this Thursday 26 July at 9am. Family members are most welcome to celebrate this Eucharistic celebration with the school and parish community.

Appreciating what we have in common with others

Lord, we ask you to open our eyes that we may value and appreciate all people, recognising what we have in common rather than focusing on what our differences might be. Inspire us to distinguish between what is important and what is not, and open our minds and hearts that we may always be people of good will who bring life and joy to others. Amen.

Year 6 Class Mass

Year 6 will be celebrating a class Mass on Thursday 2 August at 9am in the Church. Family members are very welcome to celebrate this Eucharist with the students and their teachers.

National Tree Day 29 July

National Tree Day is Australia’s biggest community tree-planting and nature care event. This is a special day for all Australians to help out by planting and caring for native trees and shrubs to improve the environment in which they live. National Tree Day was co-founded by Olivia Newton-John and Planet Ark in 1996 and since then more than 2 million Australians have planted over 15 million native trees and shrubs! It’s a day to get down and get our hands dirty to help the planet!
APRE News – Mr Brendan Schostakowski (continued)

National Stress Down Day
Friday 27 July is Stress Down Day. It’s Lifeline’s only National fundraising campaign. It’s fun, easy and best of all it’s for a great cause!

Too much stress in anyone’s life is a bad thing. Stress Down Day encourages people to have fun and participate in stress reducing activities in return for making a financial donation to Lifeline Australia. This Friday do something relaxing to raise money for Lifeline’s 24 hour telephone counselling line.

BALANCE
Dear God,
We pray for balance and exchange. Balance us like trees. As the roots of a tree shall equal its branches so must the inner life be equal to the outer life. And as the leaves shall nourish the roots so shall the roots give nourishment to the leaves. Without equality and exchange of nourishment there can be no growth and no love.
Amen.

Wishing you God’s blessings for the coming week.
Brendan

APA News....Mr Damien Sullivan

Years 3 to 7 Sports Carnival – Tuesday 31 July
The date for this year’s Senior Interhouse Athletics Carnival for Years 3 to 7 will be Tuesday 31 July with Villanova Park at Tingalpa the venue for our day. The children have been made aware of the date and athletic skills sessions are under way in Mrs Conaghan’s PE classes. We will be looking for plenty of parent helpers to assist in the running of events so remember to mark the date in your diary. Further details about the day will be sent home today. Please note that as for our school swimming and cross country carnivals held earlier in the year, students will compete in their own age group, which is determined by their year of birth.

Adventure Playground
A reminder for parents and students that for safety reasons the play equipment in the adventure playground is out of bounds after school. There are quite a number of children who appear to be waiting for parents in this area after 3:00pm and without proper supervision the risk of an accident is always there. We also ask that parents who bring toddlers along before school and towards the end of the day, or to after school activities please keep a close eye on their children and remind them to stay off the play equipment. The playground is for the teacher supervised use of our school students and for children attending Outside School Hours Care.

Lost Property
In the Winter months with school jumpers being worn the lost property bundle tends to grow. School hats and jumpers are regularly being left behind, particularly on the oval. Please ensure that your child’s uniform is clearly labelled and check the table in the undercroft should you have any lost items. Thanks to the parents and classes who regularly help with finding the owners of our lost property.

Bee Champions
Congratulations to Jed (1G), Marlee (2R), Gabby (3G) and Alyssa (4R) who were drawn out of the box as Bee Champions at last week’s assembly. They have been helping our school to be a happy and safe place for students.

All the best for the week ahead.
Damien Sullivan

Child of the Week

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Library News

Mark your calendars for a number of great events during term three:
- **Book Week/ Book Night** - 23rd August 6-8pm
- **Cyber Safety Presentation for Parents** - 30th August 6:30pm
- **The Great Book Swap** - 5th September

Once again we thank the many volunteers who helped us with our Term 3 Library Working Bee last week. We were able to accomplish a variety of tasks in record time. Volunteers completed 16 hours of processing new resources in one morning. We are very grateful for parents and friends helping in the library. If you have time to help out weekly in the library, please give us a call. We always have a task waiting to be completed and would love volunteers dropping by.

We also had some wonderful helpers and volunteers working long hours to input books into our Reading Room Resource catalogue. The result of their hard labour is a completed list of reading room books (Years 4-7) available to search online through our library (OLIVER) circulation system. With this new system in place, teachers may now checkout reading room books through ‘OLIVER’ right from the reading room! We wish to thank Renae Burke for all her time and effort these past couple of weeks with this project as well as all the mothers who completed processing the back reading room on Tuesday. Their efforts will make the reading room books more accessible and useful in our student’s education.

Catholic Education Week is celebrated through Friday and culminates with ‘Simultaneous Act of Kindness Day’. We encourage all students to think of a kind act to complete this Friday. The library has a number of books on these subjects from which to choose. Stop by the library and check them out!

Happy Reading,
Mrs Ballentine, Mrs Rimmer, Mrs Brooks, and Mrs McEniery


YEAR 7 “REACH OUT FOR PEACE” MINI-MARKET DAY

Our Year 7 students are once again preparing for their annual Mini-Market Day which will be held on Thursday, 13th September. The children have been busy making their own crafts to sell, however they need some help and would welcome donations of empty jars (up to 500g) to fill with jams and relishes for sale on the day. Could you please leave the empty jars at the School Office. Alternatively, if you have any queries please contact Bronwyn Wolski on 0414 355 356 or email paulbron@optusnet.com.au. Thank you in advance for your help and on-going generosity.
Senior Athletics Carnival
The Years 3 - 7 Senior Athletics Carnival will be held next week on Tuesday 31st July at Villanova Park, Tingalpa. Please see the permission note distributed this week for further details. All classes have been busy practising their athletics skills such as Sprints, 800m, Shot Put, Long Jump, Relays and Games all culminating in the 2012 Athletics House Champion. Parents are encouraged to meet us there and assist with any jobs. Please indicate this on your permission slip if you are able to be part of our big team for a great day out and I will get back to you via email with further details.

Lyton District Athletics Representation
The Lytton District Athletics Carnival will be held at Villanova Park on the 7 and 8 August 2012. Times and distances are set as qualifiers for successful athletes to join our team. The Senior Athletics Carnival will act as our school trials for ages 10 - 13 (2002 – 1999) to represent the school at the carnival. Discus events will be trialled during school time on THURSDAY 26 July and MONDAY 30 July. Please register with Mrs Conaghan. If you are interested in nominating for the High Jump events you must provide a height jumped this previous season with a coach’s signature for submission. Nominations close Friday 27th July. More information is available from me via email – iconaghan@bne.catholic.edu.au.

Lyton District Girls and Boys Cricket
School trials will be held this week on Thursday for possible selection to represent our school at the 12 yrs Lytton District Cricket trials. If selected, the girls will need to be available on 30 July for the trials at Villanova cricket nets, Main St. Coorparoo from 3:30pm. The Girls Met East championships will be held on 27th August. The successful boys will be required for the Lytton Trials on the 21 and 23 August and the Boys Met East Trials will be held on 10 and 11 September.

Woolworths Vouchers
So far our Woolworths count is over 37,000 points. Thank you for your support and with only a few weeks to go before our final count, please submit your stickers to the box outside the Library.

Yours in sport
Mrs Conaghan

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2012 Senior Athletics Timetable

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** 9s from Year 3 to join this group for Finals
## 9s Results from Year 3 and Year 4 will be combined for Overall Age Champion

Approved Projects
At the July P&F meeting, the P&F have agreed to fund a number of initiatives / projects including:
- A significant contribution to the music / enrichment department to purchase a piano keyboard for the Good Samaritan Hall, along with a classroom set of guitars and other classroom instruments and an art class from a visiting professional artist for all students.
- Repair damage to the oval and sprinkler system.
- Re-tiling and mechanical ventilation of the boys toilets to alleviate the smell coming from them.
- Contribution towards a solar panel installation and efficient lighting to help the school reduce the power bill.
- Purchase of classroom sets of ipads primarily for Prep to Year 3 use.
- Replacement of ageing and un-repairable laptops.

Thanks to the huge amount of money raised by the school FETE the P&F is committed to spending the proceeds on major initiatives for the school over the next few months, and more will be announced before the end of the year.

Tuckshop Upgrade
The school tuckshop has undergone a major transformation during the last couple of months with over $25,000 worth of new appliances (oven, sandwich makers, fridge etc) being installed. Many thanks to Leo Wallin for overseeing this work.

School Trivia Night
Tickets are now being sold for the school Trivia Night - tables of 10.

This is going to be a fun night so make sure you get your tickets soon. Lots of great prizes to be won - including the inaugural Sts P&P Trivia Trophy for the winning table!

Bridge to Brisbane
Mums, Dad and kids - Get your trainers on - the Bridge to Brisbane is fast approaching so come on down and meet at Hawthorne Park after school for half-an-hour of training every Wednesday. There are 2 groups - one where the focus is on slow and steady wins the race, teaching you how to conserve your energy by running at a slower pace in order to run all the way to the finish line. The second group is for those who want to beat their previous time or run the 10km in an hour or less. This group is run by Clare Dooley, who is an experienced runner (and school mum) and focuses on timed kilometres.

We would love to have more people come and join the team and represent the school on the day.

Meet Wednesday at 3.15pm in the AFL car park. For more info call Jill 0431778513 email jill@fitmums.net

New Students
We would like to welcome Hannah Webb (2G.) and her family to the school.

Next P&F Meeting
The next P&F Meeting is on Wednesday 22nd August at 7:30pm in the Staffroom. All are welcome. All agenda items should be submitted to Tim Goodsell at tim.goodsell@hotmail.com by Monday 20th August.
DATES TO REMEMBER

31st July  
Senior Athletics Carnival

15th August  
Public Holiday—Exhibition Holiday

18th Aug  
Trivia Night (adults only) 7pm

13th Sept  
Yr7 2012 Market Day

21st Sept  
Term 3 ends

8th Oct  
Term 4 commencences

22nd Oct  
Pupil Free Day

7th Dec  
2012 School Year ends

Tuckshop News

ROSTER: WEDNESDAY, 25/7
Sam de Lore, Kylie Hanisch, Yvonne O’Brien, Sandy Pruss

ROSTER: FRIDAY, 27/7
Caite Brewer, Fiona Jenkins, Elisa Dal’Bo, Rebecca Pyke, Jo-Anne Jones

ROSTER: MONDAY 30/7
Angela Hawthorn

Many thanks,
Chris Watt
Tuckshop Convenor  H: 39010853 M: 0413590109

Lourdes Hill College
Past Pupils Association - Annual Luncheon

Venue: Good Samaritan Centre ~ Lourdes Hill College
Date: Sunday 12 August 2012
Time: 12 noon
Price: $60 per person includes lunch and drinks – catering by Kathy Heath
Deadline for Reservations: 5 August 2012
Enquiries: Leisa Crew 0418 187 536 or email leisa.crew@gmail.com

Year 3 Poetry

The Year 3 classes have been trying their hand at writing poetry this Term. Here are a few verses from our budding poets:

**Winter**
Winter
Slippery, rainy
Shaking, hailing, freezing
A gusty rainy day
Wintertime

*By Matthew Goodsell (3 Red)*

**Sport**
Sport
Healthy, exercise
Running, swimming, jumping
Going to the Olympics
P.E.

*By Laura McKay (3 Blue)*

**Winter**
Winter
Snuggly, frosty
Freezing, comforting, laughing
Warmish coldish relaxing days
Season

*By Lila Maxwell (3 Green)*
School Banking Sign on Day!

Is your child asking to participate in the School Banking program? Sign them up at our School Banking ‘Sign on Day’ this Friday at the School. A Commonwealth Bank representative will be available at the school on:

**FRIDAY 27TH JULY 2012**
**8.30am – 9.15am**
**ADMIN MEETING ROOM**
(enter via door closest to Adventure Playground)

Staff will be available to help complete the application form required to open a Youthsaver account for your child so they can participate in the School Banking program. **Please ensure you bring along photo identification such as a valid driver’s licence or passport for yourself.** No identification is required for your child as the school will confirm their identity. Siblings are welcome to participate, however you will need to bring along their birth certificate. If you can’t make it to school on Friday morning, you can visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank Branch with identification for both you and your child. If you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer with access to NetBank you can apply for your child’s Youthsaver account online. Simply log into NetBank, click the “Offers and apply” tab, then select “Accounts” and “Youthsaver”.

This is a great fundraiser for our school. We receive $5 for every child whose account is activated via the School Banking program (i.e. for each student who banks through the school’s program for the very first time) and 5% of every deposit made at school (up to a maximum of $10 commission per individual deposit).

**Don’t forget - School Banking Day is every ‘TUESDAY’**