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## ***To the Families and Friends of the St Paul's Community.....***

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Bishop Bill, Fr Brian and Fr Geoff helped our community celebrate the beginning of a new year with a wonderful Mass in the School Hall. Mr Doyle and his team transformed this predominantly sports venue into a beautiful place of prayer and reflection. The highlight of the day for me was the outstanding attendance from the student body. It was calculated that the absentee rate was less than a normal day! Well done to the young men and women of St Paul's who made the conscious decision to be part of this special community. Bishop Bill's comment to me as we entered the hall was that it would seem almost time for a bigger hall!

On that day, we were also graced with a visit by Mr Ray Collins, Director of the Catholic Schools Office, Mr Gerard Mowbray, Assistant Director and Mr Brian Lacey, Head of Religious Education and Spirituality Services at the CSO. They were here to present a number of awards to current and past student of the school. (I know that we have mentioned many of these students before but I feel that it is important to acknowledge these further awards that they have received from the Catholic Schools Office).

The following students received awards for outstanding work for their Year 10 RoSA:

- Dean Blundell
- Skye Burgess
- Lauren Cameron
- Danielle Crouch
- Lara Duggan
- Aaron Gardner
- Eleanor Gould
- Tahlia McLean

As I have previously indicated, our 2015 HSC results were outstanding. The following students received awards for First Place in the Diocese for the following subjects.

- Madison Crouch – General Mathematics
- Keely Duggan – English Advanced, English Extension 1, and Legal Studies
- Madeline Gould – Design and Technology
- Mia Negline – Chemistry, Studies of Religion II, French Beginners
- Jayden Power-Jenkins – Japanese Beginners
- Jessie Ryder – Studies of Religion I

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I have the privilege of sharing the text of the speech, Keely gave at the Director's Principals' Gathering where she received the award for highest ATAR in the Maitland Newcastle Diocese:

*It is such a privilege to receive this award today. It means a lot to me because I see this as a reflection of the hard work that went into my HSC, and when I say 'hard work' I'm not just talking about the effort that I put in, but I'm also referring to the effort of the people I was so lucky to be surrounded by.*

*And with that in mind I want to thank the staff of St Paul's, not just my senior teachers but also those who taught me throughout junior school and who contributed to and continue to contribute to the amazing community we have at St Paul's. I have always felt comfortable, supported and valued as a member of the St Paul's community and I think that when you feel that within a school it makes reaching your potential a lot more achievable. I remember being very nervous when I started High School. I came from St Kevin's at Cardiff, a lovely little primary school where every staff member knew the name of every student. I found it hard to believe that I would feel that same sense of community at my new school. But eventually, I did. I have had some incredible teachers throughout my time at St Paul's, teachers who believed in me and encouraged me to pursue the many opportunities that St Paul's offers its students, not just academically but also in the cultural and sporting aspects of school life. One of the many wonderful things about attending a 7-12 school are the special relationships you build with your teachers and year group and it is for this reason that St Paul's will always be a very special place for me.*


*I also want to thank my family; my mum, dad and little sister Lara for all their support over the HSC year. They walked on eggshells for about 12 months and put up with my stress, my doubts and everything that comes with living with a HSC student. It wasn't easy and I know that it must have been very frustrating but I know that if it wasn't for their support, patience and guidance I wouldn't have gotten through the HSC, let alone be attending this ceremony today.*

*And finally I'd like to thank the CSO for inviting us here to celebrate our results today and for everything you do for our schools in the diocese. While I'm looking forward to starting University and seeing what the future holds, there will always be a part of me that is attached to and misses St Paul's. It's a fantastic school from which I have gained so much and under the guidance of my teachers and the Executive, I believe I have grown both as a student and a person. I feel truly blessed to have been a student in this diocese and I will be eternally grateful for the education and opportunities I have received throughout my time here.*

*Thank you*

Keely's words embody all that we are endeavouring to do at St Paul's. She can be proud of her achievements as we are proud of all our wonderful award winners and all who give of their best every day while they are part of this community.

Last week I had a visit from Sr Anne Ryan from Toronto's Mercy Spirituality Centre. Sr Anne is organising an event on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April with Fr Richard Leonard as the guest speaker. Last year the staff of St Paul's was privileged to be able to have Fr Richard conduct our Spirituality Day. Fr Richard is a Jesuit priest who works in Sydney's Kings Cross. He is a media commentator and author of a number of thought provoking books. More importantly, he is charismatic, challenging, grounded and a consummate entertainer. Sr Anne has organised for Fr Richard to present 3 seminars over the course of the day. I commend this event to you knowing that he will leave you inspired, challenged and invigorated. The staff at St Paul's were so impressed with him that they have asked if he can work with us later in the year. Over the next few newsletters, there will be more information about this important event.

 **Qkr!**™ In the last few newsletters, our wonderful finance staff have been talking about QKR. This new smart phone app will allow for quick and easy payments for everything from excursion fees, retreat fees, buses, sundry payments and even school fees. This will mean the end of sending in cash with the kids and having them queue up at the finance window to make the payment. Later in this newsletter is all the information you need to download the app and how to get the best out of it.

So another very busy time at St Paul's. In the coming weeks we have the Year 10 Challenge Camp, the Year 12 Retreat, Catholic Schools Week and our seniors are settling in to regular assessment tasks. School has certainly changed a great deal since I was there some 35 years ago!

Go gently.....

**Mr Graeme Selmes**  
**Principal**

### **BoSTES and ATAR Information Evening**

Thank you to our many parents and Year 12 students who attended our information evening last week. At a very busy time for everyone, it was great to see so many students and families willing to invest this time in developing an understanding of the HSC and ATAR processes. I have placed a copy of the PowerPoint on the portal for your further consideration. If there are any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.



Year 12 have received their assessment calendars for the remainder of the year and an up-to-date version is maintained at all times through the portal. There is an important variation to this calendar in 2016, in that we have reduced our mid-course assessment period to just two days (Monday March 14 and Tuesday March 15). Most assessments have been reduced in size and placed within the regular teaching term in an attempt to minimise the time lost by students during elongated examination blocks. Our hope is that this increased amount of face-to-face time will yield some positive outcomes for all students.

On the two specified assessment days, students will only need to attend school to undertake their actual tasks – a separate timetable for these two days will be provided to students this week.

### **Year 7 Information Evening**

Thank you to both parents and students who attended this evening on Monday. A collaborative approach to learning often heralds the beginning of a good educative journey and therefore we believe such nights are imperative within the St Paul's community. Thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedules to join us.

### **Assessment Handbooks**

Years 7-11 received their Assessment Handbooks last week. These documents detail all of the major tasks that will occur throughout the year ahead. I would strongly recommend that all students read this document and pay particular heed to the assessment calendar. Students can use this information to prepare adequately for the busy times ahead.

**Mr Greg Ptolemy**

**Assistant Principal - Curriculum**

**Please beware of speed limit when using the school driveway.**

**Also, when buses are arriving/departing, please drop off / pick up students  
outside the front gate.**



**Next P & F Meeting**

**Wednesday 2nd March**

All welcome.

**Damascus Centre 7.00pm**



## Year 7 News

Week 6 already, Year 7 students seem to have settled into a routine at St Paul's. Students now confidently navigate the walkways, have established friendship groups and have found a 'place' in the playground at recess and lunchtimes. Classes seem to be running smoothly with minimal issues now that devices are connected properly to the network and are working well. If you are continuing to have difficulty with your device please go to the IT department (in B block, between B1 and B2) at recess or lunchtime to get your problem solved. If there are any Year 7 students that currently do not have access to a device, I ask that parents contact the school a.s.a.p., to make an appointment with Mr Selmes to discuss your situation. The longer your student goes without a device the more difficult it will be for them to access the curriculum.

All Year 7 students received their Assessment Handbooks last Wednesday. I strongly encourage students to read through the booklet with their parents to ensure that they are aware of the processes and procedures for assessment tasks. Of note the last two pages of the Assessment Booklet show a summary of task dates for each term of 2016.

Since our last newsletter Year 7 have participated in the school swimming carnival, successfully and bravely received their immunisations, and shared in a fun enjoyable Reflection Day. The next opportunity for Year 7 to shine will be during Catholic Schools Week on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March when Parents are invited into the Classrooms. Parents and grandparents of Year 7 students are invited to join their child in the first three lessons on the 9<sup>th</sup> March. Students received a notification for Parents in the Classroom today. I ask that all students return the expression of interest notification (at the bottom of the note) to their TG teacher, so that we have an idea of how many extra people we need to cater for on 9<sup>th</sup> March.

**Mrs Natalie Squires**  
**Year 7 Student Coordinator**

## Year 10 News

### **Lesson outline for Year 10 Students not attending Challenge camp.**

As you would be aware from notes sent home and previous newsletters, the year 10 camp will be conducted this Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March.

Following is the outline for the lessons that will be conducted to ensure that students are catered for academically during the time they attend school. Please see the varied timetable below outlining classes for these days.

School sport will be as usual on Friday.



	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
<b>Period 1</b>	Math	Career	Science
<b>Period 2</b>	English	HSIE	Library Study
<b>Period 3</b>	Private Study	English	PAS/PE
<b>Period 4</b>	Science	English	HSIE
<b>Period 5</b>	HSIE	Science	SPORT
<b>Period 6</b>	Careers	Maths	SPORT

**Mrs Katrina Vorias & Mrs Anne-Maree Shipman**  
**Year 10 Student Coordinators**

## Year 11 News

It is pleasing to see the majority of students have settled in well to the routine of senior school. The **Tutor Group representatives and SRC representatives** were inducted at the Opening School Mass on February 16 with Bishop Bill, while the large number of **Transport Monitors** received their badges at the recent Form meeting. At next week's Year 11 Form meeting all students will receive their St Paul's senior school badge.



Last week Year 11 students received their very detailed **Assessment Handbooks**. It is important that students review the calendar for the Preliminary Year and note the dates of their assessment tasks and the weightings. These dates should then be entered into student phones with reminders one or two weeks in advance. Even posting a copy on the family fridge might be one way of alerting parents about 'stress periods'. The due date for payment for the **Year 11 Study Day on 10<sup>th</sup> March** is fast approaching. The outside agency "Learn4Life" is used for this day, and given that the HSC is a memory based exam it is important that students have access to a range of techniques to assist their memory retention. The cost of \$14 is a small investment for what could be valuable strategies to assist learning.

All **subject changes** should now be finalised, with the exception of students dropping levels within a subject, for example English Advanced to English Standard. Changes within the subject can continue until the end of the Preliminary Year. It is important where changes have been made, that students attempt to catch up on work missed and liaise closely with the teacher.

Last year as part of the End of Year program, students undertook the RYDA Driver Training Day at the Adamstown Driving Range. In August this year students will travel to the **Bstreetsmart Day** at All phones Arena. Further details will be forthcoming.

Finally, welcome aboard to those Year 11 students who in recent weeks have returned to St Paul's or who have joined us from other regional High Schools. St Paul's has a safe and accepting culture, and encourages academic excellence. Be a part of this – grasp every opportunity that comes your way!

**Mr Ross Wilson**

**Year 11 Student Coordinator**

## Year 12 News

Can you believe we are half way through Term One? Things have been busy but it's great to see the majority of Year 12 working hard and being really proactive in their approach to their final year of study. Thanks so much to all the students and parents that attended the HSC & ATAR information night. Thanks also to Mr Selmes and Mr Ptolemy for all of their wise words. Don't forget to follow up with them, Mr Mulhearn or myself if you have any questions.

Well done to all the students who chose to take up the opportunity to be a part of the Academic Support group. We had a lovely lunch meeting with some free pizza to kick it off. I really commend those students who have elected a mentor on staff to help them on their journey.

On a less positive note, there seems to be quite a few students driving to school who are yet to return their transport form. It is a requirement that the form is filled out before driving to school is allowed and of course the staff car park is not for students.

Attendance is an important part of Year 12 so please encourage your child to attend every day. Some of our students have fallen into a bad habit of sleeping in and with all of the important information conveyed during tutor group it is even more essential that they arrive on time.

To end on a really positive note we are all getting really excited about Year 12 Retreat. It is on from the 16<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> of March. The final payments are due soon. Don't forget there is an app Qkr you can download to make payment easier details are on the finance page of this newsletter.



**Miss Kerrie-Lee Guest**

**Acting Year 12 Student Coordinator**



## Year 12 Retreat

Please return payment and note for the retreat as soon as possible. Special dietary requirements need to be sent to Ms Guest by Wednesday March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Way of the Cross

Every year our school participates in the Way of the Cross celebration held at Kilaben Bay. This year the event, led by Bishop Bill Wright, will be held on Sunday 20th March, from 3pm in the grounds of the St Joseph's Conference Centre at Kilaben Bay (140 Wangi Rd, Kilaben Bay).



The Way of the Cross will proceed regardless of weather conditions; an alternative undercover area is available onsite. Students, families and friends are invited to attend.

Student volunteers who are reading and performing are required to return a permission note to the school before the event.

## Be Grow Show

Be Grow Show is a retreat for youth during the Lenten period, ending with Way of the Cross on Palm Sunday. The retreat is held at St Joseph's Conference Centre Toronto from the 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> March 2016. This year's theme is 'Blessed are the Merciful'. Young people aged 16 and over are invited to attend. The cost is \$80, however the school will pay this cost for students who attend. The retreat will begin with praise and worship on Friday night, including a concert by the Spirit and Truth band.

For more information, visit [www.mn.catholic.org.au](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au) ; phone 49791111 ; email [youth.ministry@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:youth.ministry@mn.catholic.org.au) or [www.facebook.com/maitnewcatholicyouth/](https://www.facebook.com/maitnewcatholicyouth/)

## Diocesan News

Please visit the following link to read the latest news from the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle: <http://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/news>

Of particular note is the Missionary of Mercy, Fr Richard Shortall sj, who will be providing 'ministry on wheels' in the Diocese this year.

# BE, GROW, SHOW

BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL

*Mr Michael Doyle*  
**Ministry Coordinator**



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## DioSounds 2016

### Poster Design - Entry Form

#### Theme: Music through the Ages

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Year at School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Type of media used in artwork \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Submission: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please have your school art teacher verify that the artwork presented is suitable and original.*

I (teacher) \_\_\_\_\_ hereby support (student) \_\_\_\_\_

in their entry for the DioSounds 2016 "Promotional Image Design" Competition. I recognise and have witnessed their artwork. I can also verify that this entry is entirely the students' own work

Teacher name (print) : \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please have a parent/guardian sign the section below supporting your entry.*

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Conditions of Entry

All submissions must be received by **3.30pm Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016**.

All students wishing to enter must be currently enrolled in a Catholic School within the Maitland Newcastle Diocese.

All entries must be certified and witnessed by their school art teacher before submission.

All entries must be in 300dpi JPEG format A4 size.

All posters must include the following information in their design:

**DioSounds, 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2016**

**Matinee for schools 10.30am**

**Evening Performance: 6.30pm**

**Tickets through Ticketek (49291977)**

**Civic Theatre**

**Adults \$30**

**Students \$15**

All students must complete and forward through the above form to Carmel Tapley at the address below.

Entries must be submitted by any of the following methods:

- via email to Carmel Tapley at the CSO [carmel.tapley@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:carmel.tapley@mn.catholic.edu.au)
- dropbox, google docs etc. send link to [carmel.tapley@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:carmel.tapley@mn.catholic.edu.au)
- USB and posted by the due date to Carmel Tapley, Catholic School's Office 841 Hunter Street, Newcastle 2300.

# ASPIRE

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# SONG COMPETITION

Our annual Aspire Songwriting Competition is a diocesan wide initiative designed to encourage creativity and self-expression through songwriting. Entries will be judged on creativity, originality, lyrics, melody and overall likeability. The winning entry will feature in our August season at the Civic Theatre.

This year's production is titled '**There's Something Strange about Marvin McRae**'. The show centres on a young boy that thinks he's weird and questions just what it is to be normal. We are looking for songs that not only reflect this theme but also promote acceptance of others and embracing what makes us unique!

Video yourself singing/and or playing your composition, (no matter how rough or unrehearsed) and send it to:

**[cathy.ogorman@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cathy.ogorman@mn.catholic.edu.au)**

Alternatively, by post - on CD/USB to:

Cathy O'Gorman  
St Pauls High School  
Primrose Street  
Booragul NSW 2284

The selected song will be digitally re-recorded at Tommirock Studios Newcastle and will feature in this year's production at the Civic Theatre.

We are looking forward to hearing your amazing music!

Aspire Committee

**CLOSING DATE IS  
FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2016**

**WINNER'S PRIZE:  
A \$600 VOUCHER FROM  
MUSOS CORNER**



**ENTER  
NOW TO  
WIN**

In its 5th year our audition based drama, dance, music and creative and performing arts program, ASPIRE provides quality training for students from Years 5 – 11.

Led by an Artistic Director and five Ensemble Directors, ASPIRE invites talented students from across the diocese to audition to develop and enhance their skills through performance opportunities in vocal, instrumentation, drama, dance and strings.

The name ASPIRE was chosen because it suggests seeking something more and aiming high.







## Career Thought of the Week:

“Striving for success without hard work is like trying to harvest where you haven’t planted”

David Blye

## Where the Growth in Future Jobs are...



The Employment Outlook to November 2019 provides an overview of the employment outlook across industries, occupations, states and territories and regions. This report is based on the previously released 2015 Employment Projections for the five years to November 2019. [Click to view employment website](#)

To better understand the data released we've consolidated key statistics into a spreadsheet to download. [Click here to open Excel doc.](#)

The Australian Government estimates that the job market will grow 1.2 million by Nov 2019. Currently 11.6 million people are in jobs and this will increase by 10% to 12.8 million. More than 50% of the new jobs will require a Diploma or Degree.

## The Top Jobs by Growth

1. Sports, Travel and Personal Service Workers
2. Information Professionals
3. Health, Education, ICT and Other Managers
4. Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals
5. Carers and Aides
6. General-Inquiry Clerks, Call Centre, Receptionists
7. Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals
8. Medical Practitioners and Nurses
9. Sales, Marketing & Public Relations Professionals
10. Community and personal service workers
11. Health and Welfare Support Workers
12. Food Trades
13. ICT Professionals

## Work Experience Year 10, 2016

Students in Year 10, who would be interested in doing Work Experience this year, should be actively looking for contacts now. Remember you cannot start work experience until you have completed the **compulsory** 'Work Ready Program' early in Term 2. Any questions regarding this please see me before the end of term.



NAPSA NSW/ACT annually produces the **Where Do You Do It Guide** which enables prospective students, careers advisers and teachers to find an area of interest and the educational institutions offering courses listed under each area of study.

This guide may be viewed on MN Live under Student News.

## Street Smart Handbook 2016

The Street Smart handbook is an initiative by the AUSPOL - Police Welfare Foundation that is a practical life guide for 16 and 17 year old school leavers that is designed to help prepare today's youth for life after school.

The handbook covers important topics from sexual health and the effects of drug and alcohol abuse to legal rights and applying for a loan. It offers information specific to the school leaver, providing invaluable assistance for those who are considering buying their first car or living away from home. The handbook is also a handy guide for teens that are pondering their future career choices and supplies them with advice on apprenticeships, university and TAFE. It provides teens with straightforward, factual information about issues that they will face.

I have provided a link to an online edition of the Street Smart Handbook. This has also been emailed to all students in year 11&12.

To view the online edition of the Street Smart Handbook, please click the below link:


<http://www.cwaustral.com.au/emag/handbooks/11353-2438-14984652/>



## Careerlinks Employment Links-Reminder

I have had a lot of interest this year from students in Years 10,11and 12 that are regularly checking their emails in relation to junior positions vacant each week.

This has resulted in many students applying and some gaining casual employment. So if you are interested please check your school email account each Monday for the latest listings.



**GLENDALE**

We are looking for a motivated, enthusiastic and hardworking junior to join our wonderful team. Applicants must have great communication skills and demonstrate excellent customer service qualities.

Suitable candidates would be available 38 hours per week and shifts would include work morning, day and night shifts Monday to Sunday.


Previous Subway/fast-food experience not essential as full training is provided.

When applying, please attach a resume and include your transportation, date of birth and availability.

We are offering a permanent full-time junior traineeship positions with paid training, flexible hours, along with generous team incentives.

If you would like to work in a great environment please email your resume to [subwaypositionsvacant@hotmail.com](mailto:subwaypositionsvacant@hotmail.com) Include date of birth, transportation and relevant experience.

[Applications close 16th March 2016.](#)



**Business Administration Traineeship**

Are you interested in becoming a Mortgage Broker, or working in the financial services industry? Do you want to complete a Certificate III Business Administration?

**Do you have?**



- A background or strong interest in the mortgage broking or financial industry, and a view to grow and develop your career in this area
- A strong work ethic and exceptional level of reliability
- Excellent interpersonal skills (approachable, outgoing, motivated, go-getter attitude)
- An appreciation and an interest in providing exceptional customer service
- Exceptional attention to detail and confidentiality/sensitivity to personal information

**Some expected duties for this role may include:**

- Reception
- Provide administrative support & general office duties
- Data Entry, Filing and record keeping

If you believe that you have the necessary skills and would like to be a part of our professional & dynamic team as we continue to grow and develop our business, please visit our Novaskill website [www.novaskill.com.au](http://www.novaskill.com.au) to apply online.

**Note: Only successful applicants will be contacted for an interview. Previous applicants need not apply.**



## Important Dates for Term 1

2–4th March-Year 10 Challenge Camp

29<sup>th</sup> March-8<sup>th</sup> April-VET Hospitality Work Placement

4<sup>th</sup> April- Year 10 Information Night

## Casual Positions/Employment Links:

These are ready to view on the school site MN Live, go to News & Events and click on Student News. These are also emailed to students in Years. 10-12 through their school email accounts.

**Mr Craig McLoughlin**  
**Careers & Vocational Education Coordinator**

## From the Finance Office

- ◆ **Opening Hours for Payments to the Finance Office**  
 Parents: come to Reception from 8.30am to 2.30pm  
 Students: mornings from 8.30am until tutor group bell all of recess time and all of lunch time



- ◆ **Payment of School Fees**  
 There are a variety of ways to make payments to the School.
  1. **Qkr - App - See details below**
  2. **BPay** through your own home banking via the Internet.
  3. **Eftpos Minimum payment \$10**
  4. **Cheques**
  5. **Cash**

**No money should be handed to Tutor Group Teachers**

*Note: BPay amounts are processed off School Fees only. If you wish the BPay amount to come off any other area, eg excursions, laptop etc. please telephone the Finance Office and confirm this arrangement*

- ◆ **Payment of Excursions**
  1. **Qkr App— See details below**
  2. **Eftpos Minimum payment \$10**
  3. **Cheques**
  4. **Cash**



For your convenience, when paying for excursions the new Qkr! app is now live for families of our students. Qkr! by MasterCard can be downloaded for free from Apple's app store for iPhones, iPad users can also download the iPhone app or from Google Play for Android phones. Simply:

For more information about QKR visit our website  
[www.booragul.catholic.edu.au](http://www.booragul.catholic.edu.au)

Or please click on below link to the QKR video  
[Hyperlink to QKR video](#)

<b>Step 1 Download Qkr!</b> on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app 	<b>Step 2 Register</b> Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register	<b>Step 3 Find our school</b> Scan the QR code or search for our school name. Our school will also appear in "Locations Nearby" if you are within 4kms of the school	<b>Step 4 Register your children</b> When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to register your child. This allows you to make school orders on their behalf.
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- ◆ **Fee Agreements ARE NOW VOID** and new agreements for 2016 have to be made with the Principal. Please phone the office to make an appointment.
- ◆ **Health Care Cards and Pension Cards**  
 If you (**the Fee Payer, not the child**) are in receipt of a health care or pension card, please bring it in and you **may** be entitled to a reduction in **tuition fees**.
- ◆ **Family Discount Information 2016**  
 This form must be returned to receive the family discount for 2016.
- ◆ **Email address** for Finance Office is [finance@booragul.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance@booragul.catholic.edu.au)

### Excursions Coming Up .....

Please **pay for all excursions by the due date written on the excursion notes** which are sent home with your child. This date is important as excursion costing is calculated on the number of students who should be attending that particular event. Venues and buses have to be paid when the booking is first made. Your understanding of this would be very much appreciated.

Year	Subject	Date	Venue	Amount	Money Due
10	All year	2-4 March	Southern Cross O.E.C	\$50 Deposit	3 February
11	Bio/Marine	3 March	Merewether Rock Platform	\$7.00	25 February
11	Study Skills	10 March	St Paul's	\$14.00	overdue
11	IT Timber	14 March	C & L Joinery, Teralba	\$20.00	7 March
12	Retreat	16-18 March	Elanora Conference Centre	\$50 Deposit	5 February
11	DAT	22 March	Powerhouse Museum, Sydney	\$37.00	overdue
12	Eng Standard	10 May (Term 2)	Giant Dwarf Theatre, Redfern	\$30.00	5 April

\* Please let the School know if you change your email address.  
 School Accounts are sent via email.

**Mrs Betty Harris - Finance Officer**

[finance@booragul.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance@booragul.catholic.edu.au)

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# Book Packs

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## Information Technology News

### Targus TANC Laptop Bag

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Will suit 13.3in devices, and Dell Latitude E6430 model.

Now available from the school

\* **Cost: \$10, please pay at the Finance Office**

Enquiries to Mr Graham Hancock - Technology Support Officer



### "How to P & F"

**Are you...**

- ✓ A member of your schools P & F Executive or the schools staff Executive?
  - ✓ A Federation Delegate
- ✓ A parent interested in getting more involved in your child's school?

**Do you...**

- ✓ Want to learn more about running a P & F meeting?
- ✓ Have questions about the P & F Associations Constitution?

**THIS EVENT IS FOR YOU!**

Come along, enjoy some delicious finger food, meet other interested parents have these and other questions answered.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> March.  
**WHERE:** Victor Peters Suite  
841 Hunter Street, Newcastle  
**TIME:** 6.30pm - 8.00pm  
**RSVP:** Cath Garrett-Jones  
(For catering) P: 4979 1303 E: [cath.garrett-jones@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cath.garrett-jones@mn.catholic.edu.au)  
(Cash bar available).

Send through your questions about P & F Issues and Insurance matters to  
Cath Garrett-Jones.  
We can answer them on the night!

## Special Needs Information Day

Come along and hear Catholic Schools Office representatives speak about support available for children enrolled in our Catholic schools.

CatholicCare Social Services will also come along to offer information about their services.

Morning tea provided.

March 15	St James' Primary School Kotara South 11am - 1pm & 7pm - 8.30pm
March 16	St James' Primary School Muswellbrook 11am - 1pm
March 22	St Joseph's Primary School Taree 11am - 1pm

2016 Info days

The Special Needs Information Day is provided free of charge!



**R.S.V.P. (For catering)**  
Cath Garrett-Jones  
Parent Liaison and Resource Officer  
P 4979 1303  
E [cath.garrett-jones@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cath.garrett-jones@mn.catholic.edu.au)

The provision of the opportunity to gather information from Service Providers present does not constitute an endorsement of their service from the Catholic Schools Office or Federation of P & F Associations - Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle. It is a matter for each individual to determine the appropriateness of any service provider for their own needs.

## Clothing Pool

**Hours:** Tuesdays & Thursdays 8.30am - 9.30am

**Location:** E Block (near the basketball courts) – students & adults welcome

- \* We can sell your near new items on Consignment (must be \$20 and over).
- \* Please put a label/tag on **each** item with the **price, name, address and phone number** of the person who is to receive payment.
- \* When the item is **sold**, a P&F cheque will be issued.
- \* 10% commission applies for items less than 3 years old.
- \* Items that are not sold within 3 years are then considered a donation to the school.
- \* *Any items under \$20 are donations to the P&F Clothing Pool.*



*Low Prices!*

## Catering Uniforms

Available at reduced prices !

## Senior Uniforms

Senior Blazers and Senior Girls skirts are now in stock at Verdun Hiles, Toronto.

## Woolen Vests

Are available from the Resource Centre for \$48.00 each.

For further information please contact Kathleen Dyett at:

[kathleend@extrabuild.com.au](mailto:kathleend@extrabuild.com.au)

## Blazers

There is a selection of **BRAND NEW BLAZERS** available from Clothing Pool .

Normally selling for \$150.00 - **Now only \$100.00.**

Please pay at the Finance Office.

## Special

**LARGE RANGE OF JUMPERS AND SPORTS UNIFORMS IN STOCK NOW**



**Send your Boy to the Clothing Pool**

Our friendly volunteers will be happy to help him.

Large range of boys sizes in stock now.

Shirts, shorts, jumpers, blazers

*Cash or cheques only*

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**ALL ITEMS MUST GO**

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**\$10 Pants**

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# Canteen Roster

## Monday 7 - Friday 11 March



Mon	Susan Noonan, April Baker, Narelle Baird
Tues	Amanda Holt, Janelle Haggerston
Wed	Joanne Bower, Pamela Amos
Thurs	Michelle Hall, Kylie Smith, Sharon Roberts
Fri	Leanne Maher, Michele Pippen

## Monday 14- Friday 18 March

Mon	Melissa Dobosz, Kristy Baker, Sharyn Kiely, Melanie Parker
Tues	Emma Boslem, Paula Tripney, Lisa Katon
Wed	Linda Gesell, Nannette Preston, Kim Harding
Thurs	Paula Douglas, Sandra Shaw
Fri	Megan McInnes, Jennifer Davis, Carol Crabbe

**Canteen Supervisor:** Carolyn Phone - 4946 3115

**Canteen Hours:** 9.00am to 2.30pm

If you are unable to come on your day, please try to arrange a swap or contact Carolyn.

Please be aware that the events and dates listed on this school calendar are subject to change. Please check regularly.

## Term 1 Key Dates 2016

Term 1 2016		
<b>Week 6</b>	Mon 29 Feb	Yr 7 Information Evening
	Wed 2 -4 March	Yr 10 Challenge Camp
	Thurs 3 March	Yr 11 BIO Marine Excursion
<b>Week 7</b>	Mon 7 March	CCC Golf, CCC Tennis
	Wed 9 March	15's Cochrane Cup & Open
	Wed 10 March	DIO U/15 Rugby League Trials Yr 11 Learn4life Study Skills Day Yr 12 Marine Studies
<b>Week 8</b>	Mon 14 March	Yr 11 IT Timber Excursion
	Tues 15 March	Katori Junior High School Visit DIO Swimming
	Wed 16 March	Yr 11 Ancient History Excursion
	16-18 March	U/13,14,15 7-a-side League Gala Yr 12 Retreat
<b>Week 9</b>	Mon 21 March	Hockey-Boys/Girls Open & U/16 Girls CCC
	Wed 23 March	Yr 6 Parent Information Evening
	Thurs 24 March	CCC Knockout R/League Cup DIO Football Trials Boys/Girls Easter Liturgy
	<b>Fri 25 March</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>Mon 28 March</b>	<b>Easter Monday</b>
	Wed 30 March	Yr 10 Geography Exc. - Redhead
	Thurs 1 April	Yr 12 Ext.2 Maths Excursion
<b>Week 11</b>	Mon 4 April	Yr 10 into 11 Information Evening
	Wed 6 April	Rugby League Selection Trials
	Thurs 7 April	Yr 9 Cyberia Incursion
	Fri 8 April	Last Day of Term 1

## AUROZA

Reminder:

Aurora - the magazine of the Maitland-Newcastle

Look out for it on the first Wednesday of every month.

**Absence Notes** for students must include the student's full name and tutor group. Notes must be dated, signed by a parent/guardian and the date/s of absence must also be stated. This is a legal requirement.



## Panadol

Panadol is **not available** from the Office. If you think your child may need any - students may bring their own and keep in their bag.



There is a phone available at the Office for student use, but it is for

### Emergency Use Only

Cost for a call is 20c.

For calls in case of **sickness**, the Office Staff will ring home.

## When leaving school early

If students are leaving school early **they must bring a note from the parent/guardian** to leave class early.

The note should be shown to the class teacher to be dismissed from the class.

The student must then go the Front Office, hand in the note and swipe out.

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# Loop the Lake 2016

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Join the annual Loop the Lake cycle event around beautiful Lake Macquarie.

**Sunday 13th of March 2016**



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Is my child's behaviour normal?

How do I talk to my child about the changes in our family?



**Seasons for Growth® Parent Program:**  
Supporting your child following separation and divorce

This short program offers parents the opportunity to explore ideas and strategies that might assist in supporting their child/ren through the changes happening in their family. Discussions will include:

- How parents can help their child
- Children's reactions to change and loss and how they cope
- Communicating with your child
- The Seasons for Growth® approach to understanding and managing change, loss and grief
- Caring for yourself - how this helps in providing positive parenting

The conversations will focus on what the experience of separation and divorce is like **from a child or young person's perspective.**

- Venue:** Edgeworth Heights Public School
- Dates:** 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2016
- Time:** 12.30pm – 2.30pm
- Cost:** \$15 (payable on the first day)
- RSVP:** Edgeworth Heights Public School on 4958 1180

*Comments from Parents "I gained a lot of confidence in myself...I hadn't realised how many changes my kids are facing...I was reminded of the importance of spending time with my kids...I found the journal very useful...I will make sure I communicate more with my children about the changes in our family."*

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\$70 (includes 2016 Auskick Pack)

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For further information please contact Brad on 0402 494 737,  
Simone on 0452 433 353 or email [lmafc@hotmail.com](mailto:lmafc@hotmail.com)



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# ***JCF Marquee Race Day***

***Saturday 12 March 2016***

***Venue: Broadmeadow Race Course***

***(Marquee area Eastern Side of Main Grandstand)***

***Time: 12 Noon***

***All Welcome***

***\$80 per Adult***

***Cost Include:***

***Entry to Private Marquee Area, BBQ Buffet Lunch, Entertainment,  
Race book***

***Online ticket purchase: <http://www.trybooking.com/KHYM>***

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