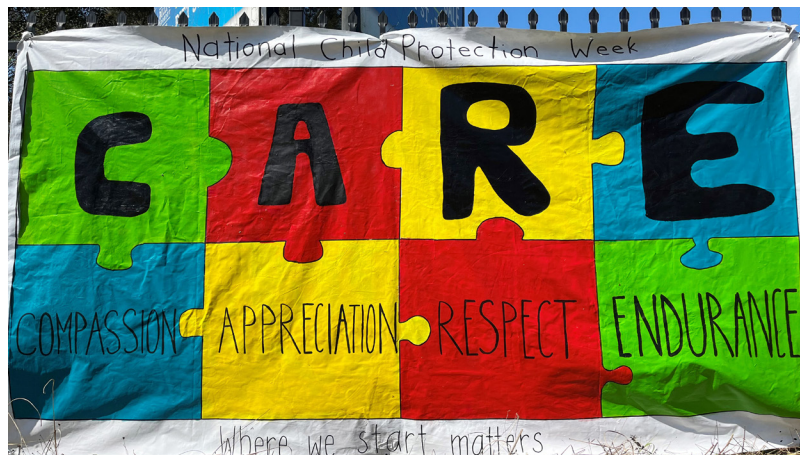




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"We are in the country of the Awabakal peoples. We respectfully acknowledge their elders, celebrating their continuing culture and the living memory of their ancestors."

This week is National Child Protection Week with the theme being, "where we start matters" and the Diocese has asked schools to participate in the Decorate your Gates initiative. The College's Young Christian Students group worked with our Youth Ministers, Miss Harrison and Miss O'Reilly to create our banner based on the College's CARE values.



The following words from the Prophet Micah offers a reminder for us all,

The Lord has shown you what is good.
He has told you what he requires of you.
You must act with justice.
You must love to show mercy.
And you must be humble as you live in the sight of your God.

2024 Student Leaders

As was communicated, last week we congratulated our 2024 Student Leaders:

Jian Grasso

Kirrily Boslem

Lucas Walz

Kasey Crebert



As a community, we wish Kirrily, Kasey, Jian, and Lucas all the best for this important role at the College. I would also like to acknowledge the other students who nominated for the College Leadership role and thank them for their involvement in the process.

Diocesan Public Speaking Competition

Last week, Anya Reynolds, Beau Jenkinson, Brooklyn Kusuma, Arrabella McLeish, Bethany Evans, Pyper McAllister and Kirrily Boslem participated in DIOSPEAK, the Diocesan Secondary Schools Public Speaking competition. Students were required to deliver a prepared speech and an impromptu speech. Congratulations to Kirrily and Pyper who were placed first in the divisions and Bethany who came second.



Thanks to Mrs Lucas and Miss Walker who attended and assisted the students with the preparation for the competition.

Parents and Friends Association Information Sessions

The Parents and Friends Association have arranged for two online information sessions for next week, one for families with primary students and the second families of high school students. The presenter will be Daisy Turnbull and the focus of the sessions is on boosting the resilience and confidence of young people and will include ideas for parents and carers on how to ask their teens tricky questions. Additional details and registration information can be found on the flyer at the end of the Newsletter.

HSC Major Works

The second part of Term 3 is when all the HSC Major Works and Performances are due and are marked by the HSC Markers.

These works are the culmination of 12 months work by the students as they have planned and developed their works from the idea stage through to the finished product. To achieve quality outcomes the students, need to be highly committed to their projects and rely heavily of the support and advice of their dedicated teachers. Shown below are some of the Year 12 Industrial Technology Projects.



Rotary Public Speaking Competition

The College was recently advised Kirrily Boslem was the winner of local area Rotary Public Speaking Competition held at Toronto Workers Club. Kirrily was required to delivery two speeches, one she could prepare and an impromptu speech.

We wish Kirrily all the best for the next round of the competition.



Mr Nicholas Wickham
Principal

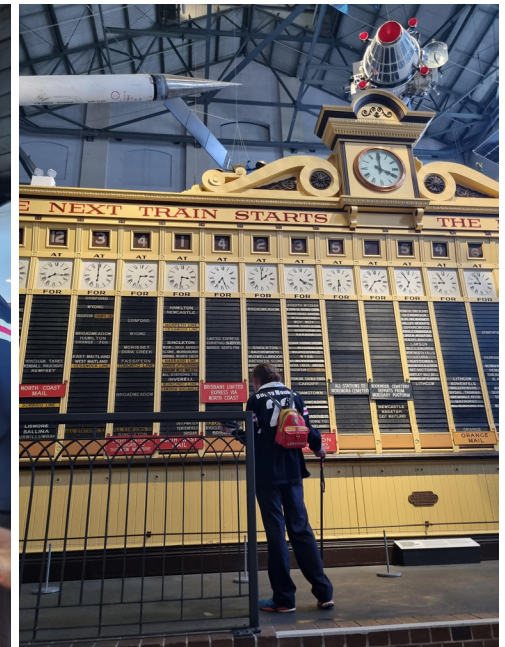
Yr 12 Numeracy & Work Studies Excursion

Our Year 12 Numeracy and Work Studies classes completed their final assessment task today. They were required to plan and implement their own excursion – including lodging the excursion request for approval, completing WHS risk assessments, reading timetables to determine public transport to be used and appropriate run sheets for the day, as well as developing a budget to include all costs.

The students did a fantastic job, all taking turns to lead the navigation from St Pauls to the Powerhouse Museum and keep the group to our timetable. There were no wrong turns taken, and only one student who ran out of money for the return train. (Don't worry, we got them home safely and legally).

The students reported the excursion was a great success. They appreciated the opportunity to show their leadership abilities and improve their teamwork skills. The teachers were incredibly proud of how well these students ran the day, including ensuring that Mrs Richardson was home in time to take her daughter to swimming lessons.

This assessment has pulled together many of the meaningful skills taught across Numeracy and Work Studies, with students demonstrating their knowledge of workplace safety, networking, timing, workplace procedures, event coordination and leadership skills.



'Mock Trial'

The St Paul's Mock Trial Team had a successful year winning all its main round trials and equalling SFX as the highest placed Hunter region school. Unfortunately we went down to Wyong Christian College in a close one in the elimination rounds. The commitment from the team was outstanding as was the cooperation shown in rotating roles to ensure everyone had a fair go. The team was able to showcase their skills while learning about our adversarial trial system. They have done us proud.



Mr John Gallop
HSIE Faculty

“The SchoolTV platform provides schools with an extensive range of wellbeing resources for parents, so they can work together in partnership to ensure better wellbeing for all students.”

A link to SchoolTV is on the College website under Community and Wellbeing/Wellbeing.

<https://www.booragul.catholic.edu.au/community-wellbeing/wellbeing/>



Student Laptops 2024

Since 2019, St Paul's has engaged a supplier to provide a parent portal for easy ordering and payment of Student laptop devices. Whilst previously this was only open to Yr 6 and Yr 9 families, we will be taking orders from any students at St Paul's this year for 2024. Next Technologies are a leader in student devices and technology for schools with over 30 years of experience. They have worked closely with Diocesan schools since 2018 in supplying BYOD devices.

The portal can be found at: Home - St Paul's 2024 BYOD Purchasing Portal (byodschools.com.au)

Whilst we recognise that many students already have a laptop from Primary school, this remains an additional option for families looking to purchase a laptop for student use at St Paul's Catholic College.

There are significant advantages if you purchase one of these devices for student use. The chosen devices have been selected based upon their designation by HP as an "Education" device – stronger hinges for multiple openings each day, rounded corners and stronger edges, "drop" and pressure tested, a "garaged" pen for ease of use and avoid losing it, spill and damage resistant keyboards, increased performance over similar retail models and standardised USB-C charging .

- 3 Year on-site Premier Support
- 3 Year Battery Coverage
- 3 Year (3 claims) Accidental Damage and Protection (with \$0 excess)
- Most warranty/repairs are completed in 1-2 days.

Learning benefits to students include:

- Equity for all learners (payment plans are available where necessary)
- Consistent hardware and software that can enhance engagement, deepen learning, increase feedback, personalise learning, and make the best possible use of classroom time
- Minimises classroom disruptions caused by incompatible hardware and software
- Allow staff and students to assist with minor troubleshooting
- Allow access to business grade devices, warranties, and repairs
- Provide volume discounting and reduced costs
- Ability to streamline ICT support and warranty and repair processes

We have selected 2 devices as recommended for student use in 2024. Schools currently using these devices have reported excellent student reviews.

Full processor description for both models is:

- a. (HP Fortis 11) – Intel N200 1.0ghz-3.7ghz, 6MB Cache, 4 Core / 4 Threads
- b. (HP ProBook 435) – AMD Ryzen 3 7330U 2.3ghz-4.3ghz, 8MB Cache, 4 Core / 8 Threads

For Year 7/8 (2024) Students

HP Pro x360 Fortis 11 G10 \$1,262.00 (Inc GST)
Product Code # 50653212
Intel® N200 Processor (1.00 GHz up to 3.70 GHz)
11.6" HD (1386 x 768) 250 nits, Touchscreen
5MP World Facing Camera with Single Microphone
8GB Onboard Memory
256 GB PCIe NVMe SSD
Intel® Wi-Fi 6 AX211 2x2 AX & Bluetooth® 5.3
Garaged Active Pen
Windows 11 Home 64
3 Year Onsite Support + sealed battery
3 Year Accidental Damage Insurance Edu \$0 Excess




For yr 9 (2024) and older students


HP ProBook 435 x360 G10 \$1,531.00 (Inc GST)
Product Code # 86P80PA
AMD Ryzen 3 7330U and Integrated Radeon™ Graphics
13.3" UWVA FHD (1920x1080) Touchscreen, 250 nits
HD Webcam
8 GB DDR4-3200 PC4 SO-DIMM memory (1 DIMM)
256 GB PCIe NVMe SSD
Realtek Wi-Fi 6E RTL8852CE 802.11a/b/g/n/ax (2x2) and Bluetooth® 5.3
Active Pen
Windows 11 Pro 64
3 Year Onsite Support + sealed battery
3 Year Accidental Damage Insurance Edu \$0 Excess



Optional laptop sleeves are also offered for both devices – more details to follow
We strongly recommend students use a sleeve with their device to keep it protected.

Key dates

 Portal opens for orders.
Sep 1, 2023

 Portal closes for bulk shipment.
Sep 30, 2023

 All payments must be finalised.
Nov 30, 2023

Devices would then aim to be shipped by (approx.) Dec 13th


Feel free to contact me at school if you have any questions.
Mr Mark Newell (Leader of Digital Innovation & Learning)
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Mr Mark Newell
Learning Technology Coordinator



College Uniform

Please see below the updated Uniform pricing from LOWES Glendale as well as the link to the website:






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56313 Sky Blue Overblouse - Junior		\$48.95
92268 S/S Overblouse White With Red Piping & Embroidery - Senior		\$44.95
78144 Ladies Tailored Shorts Charcoal	from	\$34.95
78143 Ladies Ink Navy Tailored Shorts - Seniors		\$39.95
79221 Ladies Ink Navy Tailored Pants - Seniors		\$50.95
91876 Blue/Grey Check Skirt - Junior		\$63.95
91881 Navy Skirt - Senior		\$84.95
96579 Navy Pullover with Embroidery	from	\$81.95
57493 Navy Microfibre Tracksuit Jacket		\$69.95
57494 Navy Microfibre Tracksuit Pants		\$52.95
99877 Navy Short Shell Jacket with Embroidery		\$94.95
97975 White Trafalgar Crew Socks		\$5.95
86260 Navy Jackie Tights		\$8.95
BOYS ALL SEASON UNIFORM		
84257 S/S Deluxe White Shirt with Embroidery	from	\$44.95
84258 Sky Blue Shirt	from	\$47.95
95047 Mid Grey Short		\$54.95
95051 Navy Deluxe College Shorts		\$49.95
97030 Mid Grey PQS College Style Trousers		\$67.95
97032 Navy College Trousers		\$67.95
96579 Navy Pullover with Embroidery	from	\$81.95
99877 Navy Short Shell Jacket with Embroidery		\$94.95
97975 White Trafalgar Crew Socks		\$5.95
99011 Black Leather Belt		\$21.95
SPORTS		
85062 Sky Polo Top	from	\$47.95
96326 Navy Microfibre Stretch Short		\$45.95
79003 Navy Knit Shorts	from	\$45.95
57493 Navy Microfibre Tracksuit Jacket		\$69.95
57494 Navy Microfibre Tracksuit Pants		\$52.95
97906 White Sport Socks		\$5.95
SENIOR BLAZERS		
98410 Navy Collarless Blazer		\$219.95
98590 Navy Blazer		\$219.95


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**FREE ONLINE
EVENTS**
for parents and
carers of children
and teens

12TH & 13TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Parents and carers are invited to take part in free, online presentations that will empower you with engaging and practical ways to raise your child or young person to be resilient and ready to take on the world!

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle's Federation of P & F Associations has invited teacher and high-profile author, Daisy Turnbull, to share practical advice with parents and carers on ways you can develop your child's independence and confidence.

Daisy's presentations will draw on the knowledge of some of the world's leading psychologists, but it's her relatable style and realistic suggestions that reflect her experience as both a parent and the Director of Wellbeing in schools that will leave you feeling empowered to navigate the modern-day challenges associated with raising children and teens.

BUILDING RESILIENCE AND INDEPENDENCE IN YOUR CHILD

**Most suitable for parents and carers of
children ages 5-10 years**

In this session, Daisy will encourage parents and carers to get outside their comfort zone, by encouraging their children to take more risks. She'll explain how this approach helps nurture kids' independence and resilience, by teaching them to recognise and assess consequences for themselves, readying them for life and all that it brings.

Attendees will leave this session with loads of fun ideas on ways that they can connect with their children that will also help to build their young one's physical and social skills, responsibility, and character.

DATE Tuesday 12 September

TIME 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Registrations essential at:

www.mn.shor.tn/PFBuilding

FOSTERING COMMUNICATION AND CONFIDENCE IN YOUNG PEOPLE

**Most suitable for parents and carers of
young people ages 11-18 years**

This session is for parents and carers seeking to build a stronger connection with their tweens and teens. Daisy will help parents and carers to better understand the social and emotional needs of young people and provide them with ideas on how they can help them to navigate common concerns that arise during adolescence including friendships, consent, self-compassion, managing conflict, mental health, boundaries and media influences.

Attendees will leave this session with (realistic) conversation starters that will promote their teens' awareness of the world and encourage them to take responsibility and understand consequences and risks in a fast-changing world.

DATE Wednesday 13 September

TIME 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Registrations essential at:

www.mn.shor.tn/PFFostering



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Where are the current opportunities?

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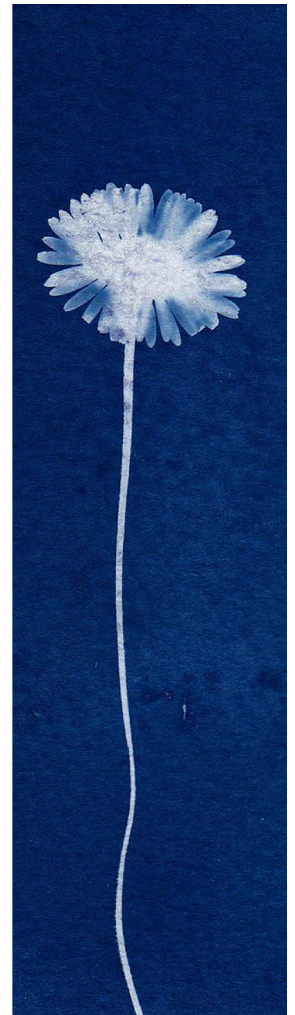
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If you have not already done so, please ensure I have copies of relevant updated Health Care / Pension Cards and the Application Form.

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4. Cash

Excursion Payments

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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.

Opening Hours for Payments to the Finance Office

Parents: Payments can be made at Reception between 8.30am and 2.30pm

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Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10km's of the school, or search for our school by name.

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When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

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Canteen
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Clothing Pool 8.45 - 10.30am Thursday



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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

18th Sept: Year 12 Charity Day

19th Sept: Year 12 Graduation Mass

20th Sept: Year 12 Graduation Awards Ceremony,
Farewell Ceremony & Clapout