

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

This is the last newsletter of the term. It seems that the years go past so quickly the older we get! For Year 12, they are formally half way through their HSC Studies. This midpoint is the ideal time for them to reassess their work and plan for how they will complete their courses for the best possible outcomes. For students with major works, this next term break will be the ideal opportunity to get well ahead of the game. By doing this, students will be able to focus clearly during Term 2 particularly in the lead-up to the HSC Trials.

Year 11 are now a third of the way through their course of study. Year 11 is about setting good foundations with study, work ethic and goal setting. It is an opportunity to take educational risk with their work, trying different approaches and seeing what works best for their own learning style. It is about ensuring that they set good habits that will make the HSC study much more reasonable and achievable. As the old Army Drill Sergeant said.... "It is about the 6 'P's', Prior Planning and Preparation Prevents Poor Performance."

In the news recently there was an item about the role of the eSafety Commissioner in regard to the online world. I have included a short article from the website that might prove useful when you are discussing the online world with your children. The website is: https://www.esafety.gov.au/

Teenagers (13 to 17)

Teenagers can spend a lot of time online — instant messaging, sharing photos and videos, playing online games and using online chat and voice chat through social media services can be a big part of their social identity.

It can be a great experience but there are risks. You can help equip them with the skills to manage these risks and deal with negative situations.

For teenagers, it is important to:

- Keep things open. Have an 'open door' policy when devices are used in bedrooms, and check in with them regularly to see what they are viewing.
- Stay engaged. Ask about their online experiences, who they are talking to online and whether they are having any issues.

Reinforce the importance of protecting their personal information and privacy. Remind them to create screen names or IDs that do
not indicate gender, age, name or location and are not sexually suggestive.

- Equip them to use social media responsibly. Terms of use for each service cover the
 rules for using the site, the type of content that can be posted and any age
 requirements. Go through these with your child to make sure they understand what is
 expected of them.
- Explain that linking social media accounts can make it easier for strangers to learn about them, so it is best to keep accounts separate.
- Encourage them to think before they post. They should ask questions like: Who might see this? Could it be misread by others? Am I creating the right image for myself socially and for school and work opportunities?
- Remind them that they could expose themselves to risk by sharing sexually suggestive
 or intimate images of themselves or others. Check out our advice (eSafety
 Commissioner web site) on sending nudes and sexting.
- Keep building self-respect, empathy and resilience. In particular, be aware of the impact of social media on self-esteem.

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Continue to review your rules as your child grows older:

- Be clear about where and when devices can be used not at mealtimes, for example, or not until after chores or homework are done.
- Agree on a plan that fits into family routines perhaps more screen time on the weekend when they have less schoolwork.
- Refer to our advice (eSafety Commissioner web site) about time online and online gaming if these are of concern.

Technology tips for parents of teenagers:

- Use parental controls appropriately for the age and experience of your child.
- As they grow more independent and resilient, good open communication becomes more important than blocking or filtering content realistically your teenager will become increasingly adept at getting around such parental controls anyway.

I have spoken to the students at a recent assembly about the need to continue to work hard right up to the end of the term. Many students have Assessment Tasks in the next week and a half and we are conducting PAT testing for Year 7 to 10 in the final week. We will also be conducting our Easter Lenten Liturgy on Wednesday 10 April.

Over the holidays, the College will be present at the Teralba Dawn Service for ANZAC Day and the Main Service at Toronto. It is hoped that we get as many students as possible at these events (in full school uniform). ANZAC Day is a very important day for all Australians and New Zealanders. Last year, I was able to attend the Centenary ANZAC Dawn Service at Villers Bretonneux in Northern France. This year, by chance, my wife and I will be in Christchurch NZ for the ANZAC Ceremony. Given the awful events in Christchurch last month, I hope that I am able to pay my respects to the people of Christchurch, particularly to the Muslim community who we would have been in conflict with at Gallipoli all those years ago. I would like to end with the beautiful words of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, leader of the Ottoman Empire in a message to the mothers of the ANZAC soldiers killed, that he gave in an address in 1934.

"Those heroes that shed their blood and lost their lives ... You are now lying in the soil of a friendly country. Therefore rest in peace. There is no difference between the Johnnies and the Mehmets to us where they lie side by side here in this country of ours ... You, the mothers who sent their sons from faraway countries, wipe away your tears; your sons are now lying in our bosom and are in peace. After having lost their lives on this land they have become our sons as well."

Go gently.

Mr Graeme Selmes Principal

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Assistant Principal - Teaching & Learning

Testing - Why do we do it?

This was the question I addressed with staff and students at our recent assembly and below are some of the answers I put forward:

- 1 The government and our system requires us to complete tests such as NAPLAN and National Minimum Standard. This helps governments and systems to plan budgets, to set programs and interventions in place, to gain a picture of Australia's standing in terms of literacy and numeracy amongst other nations. These tests are also tools for individual schools to assess what they are doing well and areas that need addressing.
- 2 Secondly, as teachers we gain a great deal of information about students in our classes literacy skills such as writing, reading, spelling, punctuation and comprehension and we can use this information to add support and to enrich the learning experiences of our students. It is vital that we pick up those students who are struggling and those who need extension so that all students can achieve their best.
- 3 It allows us to know if we are doing a good job as teachers we can see where we have had successes or failures if we need to re-teach or move forward in our delivery of the curriculum. An example of this would be in the 2018 NAPLAN data which showed significant improvement and growth in literacy skills in our Year 9 students (now Year 10)— with writing in particular, showing extensive growth. This encourages us to continue with our strategic planning for the teaching of writing.

In the second part of my address to the assembly I outlined a few testing windows that are coming up over the next two months:

NAPLAN – Online Trials have just been completed – thanks to Year 7 & 9 students for their patience and effort in the NAPLAN Online exams. We will sit the actual NAPLAN tests across Weeks 3&4 of Term 2. We will also be taking some time to look at these tests in class and work together on some preparation.

PAT TESTING -

Another set of tests is coming up in Week 11 for all students in Year 7-10. These are called PAT assessments.

During **Week 11 Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th April** all students from Years 7-10 will be completing two online PAT (Progressive Achievement Test) Assessments – in Reading and Mathematics. Each assessment will take approx. 40 mins to complete and will take place within the classroom. Students will complete in their own class time.

As students from both Primary and Secondary schools (to Year 10) across the Maitland Newcastle Diocese now participate in annual PAT Assessments, we are able to collect informative, ongoing data to inform on student progress. We can build up a picture of each student across both primary and high school years.

The data collected from the assessment will provide the school with comprehensive reports detailing the current Reading and Mathematical skills that individual students/year groups have consolidated and will guide future teaching and learning practice. The tests are tailored to students and it is important that students just do their best – these tests are for diagnostic purposes and they are not reported on in any way.

NESA National Minimum Standards Tests (NMS)

These tests were introduced in 2018 by NESA based on the belief that all future citizens need reading, writing and maths skills to be successful in everyday life after school. All students are required to show a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to receive the Higher School Certificate (HSC) from 2020. To check students have the basics skills, students need to sit short online tests of reading, writing and maths for everyday life. Students get two chances a year to pass each of the tests from Year 10 until a few years after the HSC.

The NMS tests are being held for Year 10 (and some Year 11 students) in Week 3 Term 2 at St Paul's. As a school we will support all students through this process. Once all students pass the online tests of basic reading, writing and numeracy skills they will have met the HSC minimum standard.

I am urging ALL Year 10 students to attend NEXT Monday's Information Evening where the Year 11 Subject Selection Process will be explained. We will also address the National Minimum Standards testing and take a look at the Record of School Achievement (or ROSA).

So, why am I telling you about these tests? I am doing so because I want to encourage all students & families/carers to check emails regularly and to read all newsletters and letters sent home. I also ask that students remember that at St Paul's we just want students to **do their best and to be respectful of the process** and the right of every student to have the best opportunity for success. Quiet, polite and cooperative behaviour will allow this to occur – working with teachers, supporting peers and letting us know of any worries or questions you may have.

Finally, I remind all students of the need to communicate with teachers regarding absences, non-submissions and extensions for assignments. Please keep talking to teachers, LoPs and Student Coordinators – we are here to support you and help you navigate your way through the testing and assessment periods.

Mrs Cathy O'Gorman

Assistant Principal—
Teaching & Learning



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Assistant Principal - Community & Wellbeing

Online Safety

Often parents are at a loss when attempting to control what online material their children have access to. The website/company below offers a way to keep all family devices safe of unwanted and/or inappropriate material. It does come at a cost (and no there is no commission for the school) but in looking at this site it may be of use to some families so therefore I will share it with you. https://www.familyzone.com/au/.

While the world was rocked by the recent events of Christchurch and the fact that this event was live streamed and accessible to all, even to our innocent and vulnerable children, it is a timely reminder to be aware that often our children are exposed to extreme violence and aggression. I often wonder, what impact is this having on their minds and their emotional responses? Is the repeated viewing of violence and aggression, desensitising them to the suffering of others? Below is an article that may be helpful to parents in addressing this with your children. https://www.generationnext.com.au/2019/03/a-guide-for-parents-and-teachers-what-to-do-if-your-teenager-watches-violent-footage/

Another great resource for students and parents is the eSafety Commissioner's website at: www.esafety.gov.au This site explains how to remove cyberbullying material from social media sites. The safety of all our children is everyone's responsibility and the best results will be achieved if we work together.

Anzac Day Services

There are two Anzac Day services that students and families from St Paul's are welcome to attend. Firstly, the Booragul/Teralba Service and secondly the Toronto Service. Times and assembly places for both services have yet to be determine but if students wish to march they are welcome to do so. If students choose to march they are to come in their full school uniform.

Young Endeavour Youth Scheme

Applications are now open for young Australians aged 16-23 to join a voyage in the national sail training ship Young Endeavour. Applications can be made at www.youngendeavour.gov.au

The Boulevarde Family Practice

On Thursday afternoons the Boulevarde Family Practice offers a Teen/Adolescent Clinic from 3.00-4.30pm. It provides an opportunity for young adults to talk to a Nurse or Doctor regarding a range of issues in a non-judgemental and confidential environment. Parents are able to accompany their son/daughter and all visits are bulk billed.

As we move to the end of Term 1, I would like to thank those students who have continued to work hard to achieve their goals, for the help they have given in supporting community activities and for helping their peers where needed. I wish you all a restful break and look forward to continuing our work together in Term 2.

Mrs Anne-Maree Shipman Assistant Principal—Community & Wellbeing



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Year 10 Camp

Thank you to all parents who made the first instalment for camp by the due date. We are still chasing up a few payments and this has delayed us calculating the final cost but we will have this out to you ASAP.

It would appear that some of the email addresses we have on file for parents are incorrect which means that parents missed out on receiving the email regarding the medical and dietary requirements forms needed by Broken Bay Sport and Recreation. If this is you, can you please get in touch with the office to update your details or with me directly and I will make sure you have the link you need. This needs to be filled out by 30 April.

Students have been asked to email me their preferences for sleeping groups. I will do my best to accommodate everyone's requests but there are no guarantees. Camp activity groups will be dependent on final numbers.

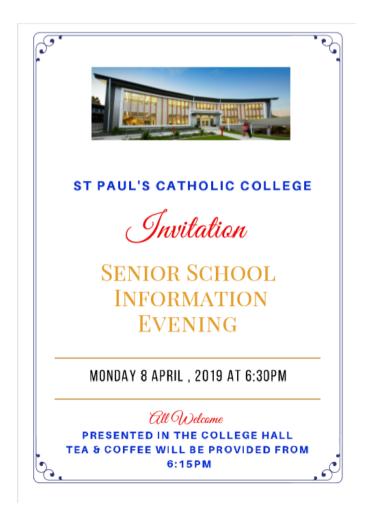
Year 10 Formal



I hope you have all had a chance to read through the email that Graeme Selmes sent in regard to a Year 10 formal. I absolutely support the stance that a formal creates unnecessary angst. The friendship issues and infighting over the formal has already begun. I have made my position very clear to the students. If they persist in organising this night, any issues arising from its organisation, the night itself or the after party, are not to be brought into the school.

Senior Information Evening

Just a reminder that this is on Monday 8 April in the Hall. I hope to see you all there. The subject selection evening will follow in Term 2.



Kerrie-Lee Guest Student Coordinator

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Career Thought of the Week:

"Life is like a ten speed bike. Most of us have gears we never use.



Charles Shultz

Reminder all Year 10 Parents/Students

Year 10 Information Night –Monday 8th April 2019 - 6.30pm - School Hall

A reminder to parents and students in Year 10 of our annual Information Night on Monday 8th April. This is a vital first glimpse of the preparation of Year 10 students as they move into their senior years of schooling. On the night, information will be given on:



- Careers Programs in 2019
- Prospectus for Yr. 11/12 Vet pathways
- Navigating Subject selection for HSC





Parents Role in the career development of young people?



Evidence indicates that parents are the single greatest influence on their child's education and career decisions. The Face-to-Face report produced in 2016 by the National Youth Agency in England identified parents and carers as the most common first point of call for career development information, advice and

guidance for young people. Other research similarly points to the important role of parents in the career development of their children, especially in the early stages rather than in the later stages of their education (Watson and McMahon, 2003).

Generally, parental engagement in career development occurs around subject and course selections and at crunch times in the later years of education, with a focus on information provision. Given the rapid changes in the world of work through globalisation and technology and the subsequent paradigm shift in career development, this is no longer sufficient. There is also mounting evidence that links improved student motivation, retention, achievement and career outcomes with parental involvement in young people's learning. Career development now needs to focus not on job acquisition, but on the acquisition of skills, knowledge, attitudes, behaviours and competencies for continuous learning and improvement. The role of parents cannot be underestimated and is vital in supporting the career development of young people.



Work Ready Certificate Year 10 2019

It has been decided that Work Ready Day will not be run over one full day this year, but delivered over a 3 week Period within existing Careers Classes for Yr.10. This will mean that nobody in Year 10 will miss out on being Work Ready this year. Also it means it can be delivered in a more meaningful context with minimal disruptions to normal lessons. The course will cover the following:

- What Employers are looking for?
- That Job Interview
- OHS in the Workplace
- **Employer Expectations**
- Harassment in the Workplace

This day is essentially for Year 10 students who may be interested in work experience this year or for students thinking of choosing VET subject or A TAFE EVET COURSE in Yr. 11- 2020. The Work Ready Program also enables insurance cover to be validated.

A Career in Forensic Science



The Australian and New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency (ANZPAA) states that forensic science (or forensics) is the use or application of a broad spectrum of sciences in court or during legal proceedings. Forensic science is not a discipline or branch of science but is a catch-all for many distinct disciplines that may be used to help in the determination of a court case, either civil or criminal.

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While forensic science is often seen as focusing exclusively on law enforcement, forensic science can be applied in many areas of the community and industry where the skills of a scientist need to be applied to a problem and the outcome may be presented in a court of law. However, forensic or investigative scientists are also used by private laboratories and insurance companies.

There are various *forensic science disciplines* –

- ◆ Field Science where crime scene investigation is priority
- ♦ **Laboratory Services** activities include chemistry, biology, toxicology, illicit drug, document, marks, impressions analysis and computer crime
- ♦ **Forensic Medicine** includes pathology, psychiatry, psychology, forensic medicine, mortuary services, odontology, anthropology, and entomology
- ◆ **Digital Evidence** includes computer forensics, audio video analysis, speaker, and face comparison.

Forensic science is a fascinating and rewarding career where the love of science can be applied to the good of society, public health, and public safety.

To become a Forensic Scientist, a good degree in science or medicine is essential. There are a number of specific undergraduate and post-graduate programs in forensic science available in Australia.

The National Forensic Science Technology Centre (USA) provides an excellent overview of many of the topics associated with forensic science, and students are encouraged to browse - A Simple Guide to Forensic Science.

Careers Emails 2019



It has come to my attention that some students are not accessing their school email accounts on a regular basis. I have stressed this to students in Years 10, 11 and 12. It is important to at least have a look at their accounts once a week for all the Career opportunities. This section of the College's Newsletter and Career Links Positions Vacant are emailed to students on a fortnightly and weekly basis. To ensure students do not miss out on opportunities please remind them to be diligent with this.

Important Dates for Term 1 2019

⇒ 1 - 12 April VET Hospitality Work Placement

 \Rightarrow 8 April Year 10 Information Night

⇒ 16 May Year 12 Careers Expo

Casual Positions/Employment Links:

These are ready to view on MN Connect-School Portal. These are also emailed to students in Years 10-12 through their school email accounts.

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Mr Craig McLoughlin Leader of Pedagogy—Careers and VET



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Creative Arts and Languages News









THURSDAYS IN TERMS 2 AND 3 IN FOUR DIFFERENT LOCATIONS ACROSS THE DIOCESE

Locations:	St Pius High School	St Bede's Catholic College	St Joseph's High School	St Clare's High School
	Adamstown	Chisholm	Aberdeen	Taree
Time:	4.00 pm – 5.30 pm	4.00 pm – 5.30 pm	4.00 pm – 5.30 pm	4.00 pm – 5.30 pm

NEW LOCATION: St Paul's Catholic College, Booragul

TIME: 4.00 pm - 5.30 pm

ASPIRE's Junior Theatre Makers Ensemble for Years 5 – 8 is again offering creative drama programs across the Diocese in 2019 throughout Terms 2 and 3.

Term 2 will be all about learning and skills with a focus on play building. Ensemble members will work through an array of exercises relating to character, physical and image based theatre. The ensemble will be led by a local theatre expert and will also receive two workshops from ASPIRE Artistic Director Anna Kerrigan.

Term 3 will be spent creating an original short performance piece which will be performed on Thursday 19 September 2019 at the Cessnock Performing Arts Centre. All four groups will come together to rehearse for the day before performing an integrated piece that evening.

This is a great opportunity to learn in a fun environment with like-minded students. Places in the program are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Course Cost: \$250 (scholarships are available for those in financial need)

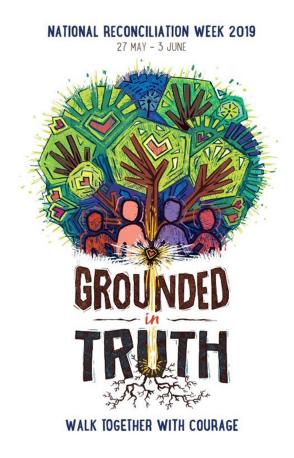
To reserve your place please complete a booking form online at the ASPIRE website https://aspire.mn.catholic.edu.au or call Anne Atkins on 02 4979 1331 for more information. **ASPIRE**

Miss Sarah Adams Leader of Pedagogy – Creative Arts and Languages



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Christine Anu – In Conversation and Song



We are please to announce that Christine Anu will be performing at the college on Tuesday, 28 May as part of our National Reconciliation Week celebrations. National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The concert will provide our community to come together to celebrate the gifts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and our strength that we have as an Australian community

The event will involve all students from 7-12, with Christina performing for around 70 minutes. I would like to thank Astro for organising what I am sure will prove to be a memorable event for our community.

If you have any questions about the day, please feel free to contact me at the school.



Miss Sarah Adams Leader of Pedagogy – Creative Arts and Languages



Term One Sport Dates

2nd-3rd April – U'15 & Open's Northern Division Rugby League Selections (Smithtown)

5th April – NSWCCC Swimming Championships (Homebush)

9th April – Diocesan Junior Football Knockout

Term Two Sport Dates

29th April - Closing date for CCC Girls AFL

29th April - Closing date for CCC Long Distance Swimming Entries

1st May – Closing date for CCC Netball

2nd May – Diocesan SSSA Football Trials

2nd May – Diocesan Team Tennis

3rd May – Closing date for CCC Boys AFL North

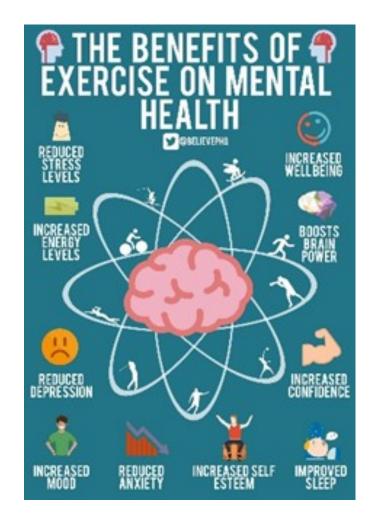
3rd May – Closing date for CCC Rugby

9th May – Diocesan Cross Country (Glenbawn Dam)

13th May – Closing date for CCC Basketball

22nd May – Diocesan Senior Football Knockout





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From the Finance Office

Please note: All 2018 fee agreements are now void. Please phone to make am appointment with Mr Selmes to discuss your 2019 fees, if needed.

For all Finance enquiries please use the following email address: finance@booragul.catholic.edu.au

To calculate your Weekly, Fortnightly or Monthly payment amount, please go to our Website and use the calculator. http://www.booragul.catholic.edu.au/

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

Also, if you have not completed 2019 Family Discount and Diocesan Pastoral Contribution Form, please follow the link to the Website above to download, complete and return to college office.

Mrs Betty Harris—Finance Officer finance@booragul.catholic.edu.au

Opening Hours for Payments to the Finance Office

Parents: come to Student Reception or Reception from 8.30am to 2.30pm

Students: mornings from 8.30am until tutor group bell, all of recess and all lunch times

School Fee Payments

- 1. Qkr
- 2. BPay through your own home banking via the Internet
- 3. Eftpos Minimum payment \$10
- 4. Cheque
- 5. Cash

Excursion Payments

- 1. Qkr
- 2. Eftpos Minimum payment \$10
- 3. Cheque
- 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:

Step 1 Download Qkr!
on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app

Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

For more information about QKR visit our website

www.booragul.catholic.edu.au

Step 3 Find our school

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

Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to register your child. This allows you to make school orders on their hehalf









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 10 Challenge Camp

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	Canteen Roster			
	Monday 8 April—Friday 12 April			
Mon	Lisa Kelly, Sharyn Kiely			
Tues				
Wed	Linda Gesell			
Thurs	Debbie Parker, Mel Dobosz, Claire Matthews			
Fri	Carol Crabbe			
Monday 29 April—Friday 3 May				
Mon				
Tues	Amanda Holt			
Wed	Joanne Bower, Pamela Amos			
Thurs	Michelle Hall, Kylie Smith, Sharon Roberts			
Fri	Kim Dickson, Richelle			
Monday 6 May—Friday 10 May				
Mon	Lisa Kelly, Sharyn Kiely			
Tues				
Wed	Linda Gesell, Kim Harding			
Thurs	Debbie Parker, Mel Dobosz, Claire Matthews			
Fri	Sheree Roarty, Carol Crabbe			
Canteen	Supervisor:			
Canteen	Carolyn Phone - 4946 3115			
Canteen	9.00am to 2.30pm			
If you ar	If you are unable to come on your day, please try to arrange a			

swap or contact Carolyn.

Reception Hours for 2019

8.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Thursday 8.00am to 3.30pm Friday

Student Reception Hours for 2019

8.30am to 3.30pm Monday to Friday



The **Canteen** is in need of volunteers

Please phone Carolyn if you can help!

All volunteers must have a

Working With Children Certificate

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

Terr	n 1 2019				
Tues 2 April	P/T Interviews 7-10				
Wed 3 April	Country Rugby League Selections				
Thurs 4 April	U16's Girls Rugby league Rugby Gala				
	Year 9 Incursion				
Fri 5 April	NSWCCC Swimming Championships				
Mon 8 April	Year 10 Senior Information Evening				
	Year 11/12 Legal Excursion				
Tues 9 April	Dio Jnr Football Knockout				
Wed 10 April	NSWCCC Touch Championships				
	Easter Liturgy				
Fri 12 April	Last Day of Term 1				
Term 2 2019					
Mon 29 April	Start of Term 2				
Wed 1 May	Anzac Day Service during assembly				
Thurs 2 May	Dio Team Tennis				
	Dio Open Football Trials				
	Year 9 Reflection Day				
Mon 6 May	CCC Golf selections				
	CCC Rugby selections				
Tues 7 May	CCC Rugby selections				
	CCC U/15 Netball selections				
	U/16 Boys Rugby League—Windale				
	NMS Year 10 Reading & Writing Tests				
Wed 8 May	CCC AFL North selections				
	CCC Open Netball selections				
	NMS Year 10 Numeracy Tests				
Thurs 9 May	Year 12 Semester 1 Awards				
·	Dio Cross Country				
Mon 13 May	Yrs 11/12 Parent Teacher Interviews				
Tues 14—17 May	NAPLAN				
Wed 15—17 May	Year 10 Camp				
Mon 20 May	CCC Basketball selections				
	School Photos				
Mon 20—24 May	NAPLAN				
Wed 22 May	Dio Open Football Knockout				
Mon 27 May	School Photos Catchup				
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Please see website for further Calendar dates

http://www.booragul.catholic.edu.au/news-events/events-

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Community Notices







WHATIS

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

This May, hundreds of thousands of people around the world will get together to walk from the darkness of night into the light of morning to help us in the global fight against suicide and self-harm.

Symbolically the walk represents the therapeutic counselling Journey. It sparks conversation about the importance of mental health and wellbeing in all our lives. The entry fees raised around the world allow Pleta House and charity partner batyr to continue to deliver vital services.



Join us on May 11. Let's walk together for a brighter future.



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Student Exchange Information

FREE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION FOR St Paul's High School STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE IN 2019

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation that is registered with all state and territory Departments of Education around Australia and with the Ministry of Education in NZ. We are the first and only secondary exchange organisation in Australia and New Zealand to be certified to ISO 9001 (Quality Management System) and we ensure the highest standards of care and support to our participants.

We are hosting a special **FREE** Live Online Sessions for students and their families on Tuesday, 9th April at 7.30pm (AEST) / 9.30pm (NZT).

The LIVE Online session gives students and families the opportunity to learn more about becoming an exchange student and the various scholarship options that are available in 2019.

Students can find out more about our exchange programs to over 25 countries, listen to former exchange students share their experience and learn about our scholarships and discounts on offer in 2019.

Please be aware that we now offer 14 partial scholarships each year for semester and year applicants. See our website for more information.

"You come back a different person, with so much more confidence & you feel that you can conquer the world"

Jessica, Semester Program to Italy

We would appreciate if you could please mention our upcoming information session in your newsletter. You can copy the below text.

FREE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION FOR WEST AUSTRALIAN STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Hear from our very experienced, Senior staff, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and ask questions.

Tuesday, 9th April at 7.30pm (AEST)

Register now

Visit www.studentexchange.org.nz

or call 0800 440 079 for more information

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Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.



laptops & tablets



lessons & activities



uniforms & shoes



books & supplies



sports fees & gear



camps & excursions

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A FREE MATCHED SAVINGS AND FINANCIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM MAY 2017



SAVER PLUS?

Saver Plus is a free ten-month program that provides financial education, budgeting and savings tips to assist you to:

- · Build your skills around managing money
- Become a regular saver
- · Reach a savings goal.

Once you finish the program, ANZ will match your savings, up to \$500, which goes towards education costs for you or your children including:

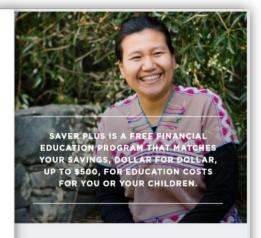
- · School and sports uniforms
- · Computers, tablets and laptops
- · TAFE and apprenticeship costs
- Sports fees, dance and music lessons
- · Textbooks and school stationery
- · And much more.

CAN I JOIN?

Saver Plus is offered across Australia. You may be eligible to join if you:

- · Have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- Are at least 18 years old
- Have some regular income from work (yourself or your partner) including casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal work, and
- Have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.

To find out more, enquire online at www.saverplus.org.au, call or SMS your postcode to 1300 610 355 or email saverplus@bsl.org.au.



HEAR WHAT PAST PARTICIPANTS HAVE SAID:

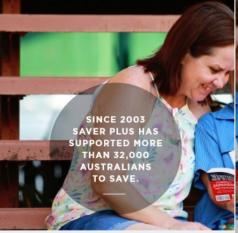
"I've had a huge attitude change towards money."

"The money we saved, plus the matched savings, meant we could buy equipment for my daughter's course that we couldn't have afforded otherwise".

"I was surprised that the workshops were as fun and supportive as they were and I learned a lot more than I anticipated about my attitudes towards money, spending and saving."

"I used the program to teach my son about saving and we worked together to save the monthly amounts towards his laptop for high school."





HOW DOES SAVER PLUS WORK?



TALK TO A SAVER PLUS COORDINATOR

Find out more about Saver Plus and talk about your eligibility!. If you Join, you will set up a savings goal and your Saver Plus Coordinator will help support you to achieve it.



OPEN YOUR ACCOUNT AND SAVE

Open an ANZ Progress Saver account² and make regular deposits over ten months towards your savings goal.



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DEVELOP YOUR FINANCIAL SKILLS

Learn and share tips and strategies for budgeting and planning for the future by completing the MoneyMinded financial education program, with support from your Saver Plus Coordinator.



RECEIVE UP TO \$500 IN MATCHED SAVINGS

When you reach your savings goal after ten months, ANZ will match your savings dollar for dollar, up to \$500, to help pay for education costs for you or your child.

HOW DO I FIND OUT MORE?

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Call or SMS your postcode to 1300 610 355*
- Email saverplus@bsl.org.au
- Enquire online at www.saverplus.org.au
- Read more at www.anz.com/saverplus

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Terms and Conditions and eligibility criteria apply to Saver Plus. Confact 1300 610 355 for more information. Details correct as of May 2017 and may be changed at any time.

You should consider if this product is appropriate for you. ANZ recommend that you read the Terms and Conditions before acquiring the product. For more information about the ANZ Progress Saver account, please contact

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~ A bit about me! ~

I graduated from St Pauls High School in 2017 and I have been passionate about math and science since primary school. I am currently studying at the University of Newcastle enrolled in a Bachelor of Mathematics/ Bachelor of Science. I have tutored family friends in the past and really enjoyed it; I would love to branch out and tutor more students!

I tutor high school students of any grade, up to the HSC courses of Advanced Mathematics, Extension 1 Mathematics, Biology, and Chemistry.

- I can travel or have tutoring at my office in Coal Point
 - Rates based on travel time

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