# Ignatius Park College **Newsletter** Number 17 | 01 June 2017

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# From the Principal

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

I would like to welcome our visitors from Cardinal Newman College in Argentina – Jack Deane, Benjamin MacKinnon, Juan Salinas and Manuel Tapia. They arrived last weekend and will spend a week visiting the College and Townsville. My family is hosting two of the boys and it has been a wonderful experience. Thank you to the Jarrett family for hosting two students and to Greg Christ for hosting their teacher Mercedes Deveraux Treacy. Cardinal Newman College is the College I visited last year as part of the Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders program.

Today I would like to clear up some of the confusion generated in the media about funding for Catholic schools and to explain how the funding changes will impact our school as best I can at the present time.

While some news articles suggest all Catholic schools will receive a significant funding boost under the Federal Government's proposed new model, others suggest there will be cuts and fee increases.

As a whole, the Catholic system in Queensland will see some funding growth from the Federal Government's package but the impacts vary considerably from school to school. The precise impact on our school is still being determined and when I have more information on this I will be communicating that to our school community.

What I can say with certainty is that funding growth for all Catholic schools will not be at the rate that would have flowed from years five and six of the original Gonski recommendations.

I am very concerned about the impact for students with disabilities. On currently available information, changes to definitions and funding methods for students with disabilities will lead to a cut in funding available to Queensland Catholic schools that support these students. As a system we are committed to supporting our most vulnerable students and we need a funding system that does the same.

# From the Principal continued

Even as I write, more than three weeks after the funding announcement, the Federal Government has not been able to allay several of the Catholic sector's concerns about the package. The main points of concern are that:

- Funding for students with disabilities will change in a way which adversely impacts Catholic schools. The new NCCD
  methodology used to calculate this funding has serious flaws and on 16 December 2016, even the Minister went on record
  as saying the NCCD "fails a basic credibility test".
- Funding for Catholic schools will not grow at the same pace as other sectors over the next ten years even though our wages and operating costs will rise at the same rate.
- The new funding model relies on the use of the SES (Socio-economic Status) methodology. The original Gonski Review called for a review of the SES formula because of its inadequacies and we want the Government to commit to this. We say this system has flaws. The tool previously used by the Catholic sector to correct some of these flaws (the 'System Weighted Average') has now been abandoned by the Government despite the Gonski Review supporting such an approach.

You have probably seen or heard about the Commonwealth's School Funding Estimator website. I can say with certainty that the numbers shown on the site for our school are notional figures based on what would happen if the new funding model was already in place, when it is not. They do not accurately state our funding position in 2017 or beyond and parents should not rely on it. This is because Catholic schools (as a sector) allocate funding within their system as supported and approved under the current legislation.

The package proposed by the Federal Government is a 10-year funding model, which will see significant changes to how Catholic schools are funded in the future. Like the majority of Catholic schools, our school aims to be open and accessible to all families seeking a Catholic education. That means we aim to be affordable as well. I want to reassure you that fee increases as a result of these changes are only a possibility at this stage – not a certainty.

If, like me, you are concerned about the potential impact of these changes on the funding of our school in the future, please advise your Federal Member of Parliament.

Yours sincerely

Michael Conn | Principal





# **Identity and Mission**



### **Praying with Edmund**

Jesus, your Gospel message challenges us to leave the world a better place for those who follow in our footsteps. Grant us eyes to see the world as You see it, and a heart to love it as You do. AMEN

Last Saturday, 27 May, was the 50th Anniversary of the 1967 Referendum. Fifty years ago, more than 90% of Australian electors voted to change the Constitution to permit the Federal Parliament to make laws for Aboriginal people and to allow them to be included in the National Census. This Referendum had good intentions and was a major moment in Australian history. After the 2010 election, the Federal Government committed to hold a referendum to change the Constitution to fix these problems. The expert panel suggested that there should be a statement of recognition somewhere in the Constitution, they should remove Section 25, which allowed state governments to disqualify a group of people from voting based on race, reformulating the race power section to avoid potentially negative outcomes while retaining the Commonwealth's responsibility for Indigenous affairs. This is ongoing, and no resolution has yet been reached. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are not mentioned in the Constitution. The Constitution still allows racial discrimination – not just against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples but against anyone. If you are interested in more information and getting involved in making a change, you can visit this LINK #lamyourneighbour

This week, Ignatius Park College has been hosting four students and one teacher from Cardinal Newman College in Argentina. We have spent time at The Strand, attended Mass at the Cathedral, had a day at IPC, spent time at Hervey's Range and experienced State of Origin at the Watermark. They will also be visiting Reef HQ and the Museum as well as attending the school musical today. Tomorrow they will have a night at Magnetic Island. We thank them for coming to spend time with us!



### **Liturgy News**

We are beginning our preparations for the Anniversary Mass (Monday 14 August, Term 3 Week 6). We would like the Mass to be well attended by Old Boys and other community members connected to IPC. Please pass the date on to any you know who may be interested.

### **Faith in Action News**

IPC offers our Year 11 students the opportunity to be involved in Sony Camp with some girls from St Patrick's College and some students from the Townsville Community Learning Centre. The Camp is held in the September holidays. The first training session was held on Sunday 21 May. The 18 boys met the girls from St Patrick's College and had some experiences designed to show them what life is like for some of the TCLC students. It was great to see how engaged the boys were. We are looking forward to more training sessions, and of course, the actual event.



### **Retreat News**

Our Year 9 students participated in their retreat activity on Thursday 25 May. We travelled to YWAM in the City to experience what they do. We listened to some faith-inspired music, had a tour with their volunteer staff and students, and gathered to hear about the amazing work they do in Papua New Guinea with their health care ships. Go to this **LINK** and take a look into YWAM. We left a donation of toothbrushes and toothpaste to take on their next trip to Papua New Guinea.

Johanna Smith | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission



# Curriculum

## **Year 7 Science**

### **Science has Impact**

During Term 2, Mrs Kenyon's Year 7 Rice House Science class has been learning about the moon. The surface of the moon is full of jagged craters. This rough surface comes from millions of years of collisions with rocks-called meteors that crash into its' surface. Simulating the formation of crater impact patterns using an assortment of chocolate balls, M&Ms, skittles and jellybeans, the boys compared the size of the craters with the size of the meteorites that made them. They also determined if a high-speed meteor makes a different type of crater than a slow-speed meteor. All students keenly engaged in this Friday afternoon activity, happily snacking on a meteor or two at the end!

### Michelle Kenyon | Teacher

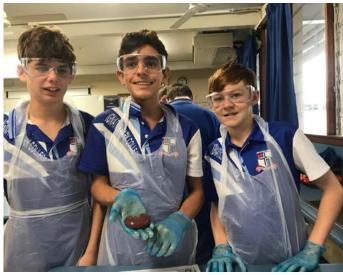




# **Year 9 Science**

Last week, the study of Biological Systems culminated into a dissection of a brain and kidney. The students have been learning about the Nervous System as well as the Excretory System. Theory lessons were made more meaningful by the kinaesthetic experience of slicing a cross-section of a lamb's kidney, identifying the renal cortex, medulla and pelvis as well as the renal pyramids, arteries and veins. The boys were very pleased to explore the left and right hemispheres of a lamb's brain as well!

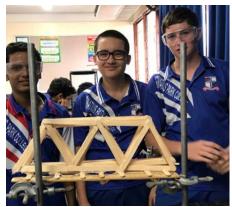
Catherine Ventic | Teacher



# **Science Club Opti-Minds Activity**

During Term 2, the training for Opti-MINDS Sustainability Challenge began. Three groups of students are learning the importance of team work and brainstorming. The Challenge Task for this week was to design and build a bridge made of paddle pop sticks put together by a hot glue and two wooden rulers, then test the heaviest mass that it can hold. The project needed to be completed within 30 minutes with testing of weights starting next week.

### Catherine Ventic | Teacher









# Curriculum

# Subject Information Evening for all current Year 8 and 10 students

# Wednesday 12 July 2017 in the Edmund Rice Hall

5:30 pm Subject Showcase

6:30 pm Information Sessions for students entering Year 9 and 11 in 2018

7:00 pm Subject Showcase

7:30pm Online subject preferencing opens with access and support available

# entering Year 9 and 11 in 2018 with access and support available

# **Senior English Tutoring**



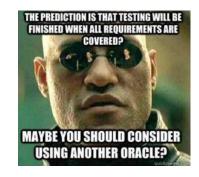
Tutoring sessions will be available for Year 12 English students on Saturday, 3 June and Saturday, 10 June from 9am - 12 noon. These sessions will take place in Room 102 and are optional. The first session will be run by Mrs Tarttelin and explore the play while the second session will be conducted by Mrs Timbs and will focus on the essay and its structure. All Year 12 students are welcome to attend.

Andrea Tarttelin | Faculty Leader - English

# **Literacy News**

Predicting is a useful strategy to assist the brain to recall important information. Ask your son to make predictions about what will happen next in a movie or TV show. The strategy can then be transferred to what they are reading. At the end of their reading, they will start to think about what will happen next.

Nadine Burnett | Teacher



# **Hospitality News**

On Tuesday, 30 May, La Chaine des Rotisseurs Society, in conjunction with Ignatius Park College, held a young Chefs Competition at the school. There were four chefs competing, representing restaurants such as Seasoned and A Touch of Salt. There were two kitchen judges and two tasting judges to oversee the competition which started at 8.30am and finished at 1pm. The young chefs were given a mystery box of ingredients and asked to prepare a 3-course meal for four people with the ingredients they received. There were time restrictions, each course had to be delivered within the timeframe or they would lose points. Throughout the Competition, Hospitality students could wander through the kitchen and watch the chefs in action. This was a valuable learning experience for them with a lot of boys in awe of the skill level of chefs not much older than they are.









# Curriculum

# **Hospitality News Continued**

That evening, the Year 12 Hospitality Studies class hosted a Masquerade themed Cocktail Party to announce the winner of the Chef Competition. They served a 7-course Canape Degustation Menu with matching wines and sorbets to act as palette refreshers. The guests were friends and family of the students as well as representatives from *La Chaine des Rotisseurs Society*. The boys created a magical event that was executed in a very professional manner. Feedback from various guests, throughout the evening, stated that they were amazed at the quality of the food served and the attentive service. They could not believe that 16-17 year old boys could produce a menu of this calibre, equal to any restaurant in Townsville. The atmosphere of the evening was enhanced by the musical talents of Jean Sajeev, a talented musician in Year 12. This event provides an annual showcase of the talents of young chefs in Townsville as well as the talents of the Hospitality Studies students who achieve such a high standard of professionalism within the school learning environment. I can't wait for next year!

### Jude Squire | Teacher in Charge - Hospitality













# **Pastoral**

### **IPC R U OK?**

### **DON'T FORGET!!!!!**

Tomorrow (Friday 2 June) is the IPC R U OK? Coloured Clothes Day. The aim is to raise awareness of Mental Health difficulties in our community and let people know that "It Ain't Weak to Speak". LIVIN shirts and hats are available for purchase at Mrs Timbs (Baillie Pastoral Leader) or Mrs Charge (Student Counsellor).

A gold coin donation will be collected by Home Room teachers in the morning and will be donated to Headspace Townsville.

Remember: It Ain't Weak To Speak!





# **Pastoral**

# **National Reconciliation Week**

Year 8 students were recently given the opportunity to learn a little about the significance of National Reconciliation Week and the importance of the topic in, not only our College community, but in society in general. Townsville Blackhawks' Coach, Kristian Woolf, and Captain, Daniel Beasley, spoke to the group about their experience with Reconciliation and building positive relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. The students found the presentation not only engaging but informative and interesting.

Andrew Kirkpatrick | Program Leader - Indigenous and Multicultural



**Year 8 Campers** 



# **Administration**

Ignatius Park College Upcoming Events and Dates

WEEK 6-7
Saturday 27 May - Saturday 3 June

National Reconciliation Week

WEEK 7

Thursday 1 - Saturday 3 June

Production

WEEK 8
Thursday 8 - Friday 9 June

Athletics Carnival

# **Athletics Carnival**

The College Athletics Carnival begins Thursday, 8 June and concludes on Friday afternoon. Students will need to ensure that they have class materials for Periods 1, 2 and 3 on Thursday. The Athletics Carnival will begin after Period 3.

Parents, please make sure your son is prepared for the two days:

- The Carnival is a compulsory school event. Students who don't attend will require a medical certificate or permission from their Pastoral Leader.
- Everyone needs to wear their College hat and bring a water bottle.
   Sunscreen will be available from Pastoral Leaders.
- The Carnival is designed so that all students can participate. If a
  student is unable to participate for medical reasons, a note from
  home explaining the problem will need to be given to the Pastoral
  Leader during homeroom. Students who are unable to participate will
  be allocated to assist in organising events under teacher supervision.

John Doolan | Deputy Principal - Pastoral

# **Uniform Shop News**

We still have plenty of winter jackets in stock - \$45. The shop is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8-10.45am. A lot of time is spent chasing up borrowed uniform items. If your son has borrowed something from the school, can you please help with the prompt return of the items after washing.

Sue Brock | Uniform Shop

### **Entertainment Book**

Ignatius Park College is raising funds. Here's how you can help...

Your 2016 | 2017 Entertainment Membership is expiring on 1 June 2017. Please continue to support Edmund Rice Camps by buying the NEW 2017 | 2018 Entertainment Membership from us today. You'll receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help our fundraising at the same time!



**BUY FROM US NOW.** 



# **Rugby Union News**

### U13s

Last week, IPC White went up against IPC Blue with both teams taking to the field with an explosive start! IPC White scored early and continued to get over the try line, scoring seven tries all up. Noah Rule kicked things off with Jeremy Morton and Ethan Fletcher also adding to the scoreboard in the first.

Matthew Hunter for IPC Blue got them in the game but IPC White proved to be too good, adding four more tries in the second half. Jaidyn Wilkins had a good run scoring in the second half as well as Jay McPherson, Myles Hoskins and Ethan Fletcher getting over the try line for a second time. The teams went up against Cathedral and Southern Cross on Tuesday 30 May, to finish the season.

### **U15**

Facing up against Heatley Secondary College for the second week in a row due to an anomaly in the draw, Ignatius Park were keen to post back to back victories. In what has been a trend in the season to date, the team got off to a strong start. A dominant display from the forwards, who after a few weeks of training finally began to work to the desired structure, paid immediate dividends. This led to a strong 27 – 0 half time lead.

Unfortunately, the team were unable to continue their dominance in the second half as they moved away from playing structured Rugby. However, the defensive effort from the team could not be faulted and they were pleased to keep a clean sheet for the game and score an additional two second half tries running away with the game 37 to nil.

Tries: Lachlan Maginnis x 2, Harrison Keir x 2, Lachlan Waldon, Luke Lovejoy and Nicholas Audas-Ryan.

MVPs: Mitchel Yow, Lachlan Waldon and Jaidan Penny.

### **OPEN**

IPC took on Kirwan State High School in the latest round of Rugby Union at Hugh Street last Wednesday.

It became obvious from early on that Kirwan were going to try to out muscle IPC with a Rugby League style of play. Full of bravado, Kirwan were keen to get in the faces of the IPC boys and put them off their structures. However, much to IPC's credit, they kept their discipline and stuck to playing Rugby Union which quickly saw them go to a 19-0 lead at half time. The second half saw a continuation of good Rugby by IPC. There was a focus on increasing the tempo to put Kirwan under more pressure and this paid off with IPC going over the line a number of times to finish the game with a 34-5 win.

Tries: Hunter Zacka, Darcy Young x 2, Fabien Menegazzo, Daniel Conn and Connor Anderson.

Conversions: Hunter Zacka x 2. Man of the Match: Fabien Menegazzo.

Mark Moxon | Pastoral Leader - Carew







# **Rugby League News**



# **Basketball News**

### **U15 Basketball**

IPC White proved too good for IPC Blue in a clash of the two form teams of the Townsville Schools Competition. IPC White, led by Boston Mazlin, ran away to a ten-point victory. Other strong players for White included Charlie Bird, Ryan Pickering, Clay Smith and the ever-improving Will Thompson. For IPC Blue, Callaway Parker, Colby Finlay, Hunter Finlay and Marley lorangi continued to impress. Best of luck to both teams in their final match of the season next week.

Tuesday	Home		Away
6 June	IPC White	VS	Annandale Christian
	Pimlico	vs	IPC Blue

### **NQ Basketball**

Congratulations to the five boys that gained selection into the U15 Northern Team to compete later in the year. The IPC contingent consists of Hunter Finlay, Marley Iorangi, Boston Mazlin, Callaway Parker and Ryan Pickering. Colby Finlay and Kobe Owens are also shadows for the squad. It was great to see all players that trialled Tuesday still return to school for the big IPC White against IPC Blue clash.

Stay tuned next week to hear about how Cody Brown, Matthew Evans, Henry Judge, Lleyton Ward and Matthew Wheeler faired representing Northern down in Brisbane at the Schools U12 State Championships.

Gary Hughes | Teacher



# **Hockey News**

The IPC Open Boys Hockey Team has had a fantastic season winning all their games in the Interschool Hockey Competition for 2017. The team consisted of players from Year 8 through to Year 12 who showed great sportsmanship and combined well to go through the season undefeated with no goals scored against the them.

### **Results:**

2 May 2017 IPC defeated Ryan, 3 – 0 9 May 2017 IPC defeated Kirwan, 2 – 0 23 May 2017 IPC defeated Ryan, 9 – 0 30 May 2017 IPC defeated Kirwan, 3 – 0

Northern Region is hosting the QSS 13-19 Years Hockey State Championships 1 – 4 June. Benjamin Judge, Max Spriggs, Matthew Astbury, Rhys Mead, Curtis James and Callum James are all representing NQ at the State Championships. William McMahon, Drew Boniface, Josh Ferns and Zachary Judge have been invited to be Student Officials at the event and will by Umpiring and Tech Benching games. Best wishes to all the IPC boys involved in the QSS State Championships.

### Jacinta Foley | Acting Faculty Leader - Mathematics



# **U15 NQ Football News**

The following boys were successful in being selected to represent the Northern Region at the State Titles in July.

Jared Mitchell, Kyle Robinson, Ethan Ramsbothom and Bailey Waddington.



Also, the following boys were selected as "Shadow" players.

Joseph DiBartolo, Daniel Kratzmann, Kurtis Brink and Clayton McCoy.

Paul Bruce | Teacher



### **AFL News**

The IPC Senior AFL Team represented the College in true IPC spirit. Teamwork, sportsmanship and dedication got them the win - in all four games! With fierce competition, our young men stood up to the challenge, ultimately proving our dominance on the field. Special mention to Cooper Guest for being named Player of the Day. The team now advances to the NQ Championships in Mackay in August.





The IPC AFL Junior team took to Murray Sports field with one goal - to win! The team was undefeated after four matches, taking home the Townsville Region Title and advancing to the NQ Championships in Mackay in August. Player of the Game was awarded to Tai-Reece Hill. The boys displayed excellent sportsmanship and represented IPC with pride.





Melanie Baxter | Teacher

## **IPC Tennis Trials**

Any students who play tournament level Tennis are invited to trial for IPC Tennis Team on Monday 5 June, 3.30 -5.00pm at Wests, Heatley. They are asked to make their own way to Wests with Tennis gear.

Please see or email Mr Christ, gch@ipc.qld.edu.au , if you have any further questions.

The selected team of five students will play in the North Queensland Secondary Schools Teams event on Thursday 20 July with the goal of playing at the QSS Teams Finals in Rockhampton (September 14-15).

**Greg Christ | Identity and Mission Coordinator - Retreats** 

# IPC NQ Reps in Football, League and AFL

Congratulations to the students who recently travelled to Brisbane to represent North Queensland in Football, Rugby League and AFL.

As always, the boys conducted themselves with distinction both on and off the playing field. It is always a pleasure to watch the boys as they strive to realise their potential.





# Community

# **Production News**

Tickets are now on sale to The Pirates of Penzance Jr. They can be purchased from TicketShop or by using this LINK

### **Show times:**

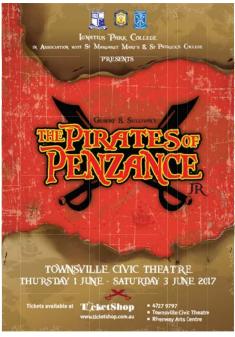
Thursday 1 June - 7pm

2 June - 10:30am and 7pm Friday

Saturday 3 June - 7pm

### **Ticket prices:**

Adult - \$35.00 Concession-\$25.00 Secondary Student - \$20.00 Primary Student - \$15.00 Family (2 adult & 2 children) - \$88.00





# Thankyou

Recently, our College community was asked to donate Mary Jameson who was riding in the 'Banish the Black Dog' ride in memory of Joey Fanning.

Mary would like to thank all those who took the time to donate – she raised nearly \$3 000.

Marg Hodgson | Deputy Principal - Operations and Community Engagement





# Mendi Blackhawks Rugby League Clinics for Defence students

Defence students are invited to participate in after-school Rugby League clinics led by some Townsville Blackhawks players, on Thursday 8 June and Thursday 15 June 2017.

All sessions are for one hour (3.15-4.15pm), and students are welcome to along for one session or both sessions.

More details can be found in the permission letter which students should collect from Ms Mahoney during second lunch break today or tomorrow, in Room 107a.





# Community

### HURRY GET IN QUICK! TICKETS ARE ON SALE!! 4TOFM TEXAS BBQ BY OTTO'S

Enjoy a feast and an evening of entertainment all in the name of charity!

Get stuck into some finger-lickin' Texas BBQ straight from Otto's Smokin' Rocket including mouth-watering, juicy and tender smoked meats with all the fixings (that's what we like to call the sides) followed by an all-American Pie bar!

Take a punt on the 'Pigs with Grunt' and be entertained by the Australian Professional Pig Racing! Put on your boot-scootin shoes and dance the night away to Rockabilly Chick Cherry Divine who recently toured America and was nominated female Rockabilly artist of the year at the Ameripolitan Music Awards.

### The evenings Package includes -

3 course dinner by Otto's Texas BBQ 4 hour drinks package including Young Henry's Beer & Cider, Wine and Soft drinks Pig Racing by APPR Live Entertainment by Cherry Divine





Tables of 10 available HERE: https://townsvilletickets.com.au/event/4tofm-texas-bbq-by-ottos-5005

Get a table together with your friends or business network and help in raising much-needed funds! Brighten the day of a sick child in your community, with proceeds from the event going to Give Me 5 for Kids -Townsville Hospital Foundation Children's Ward.

> Each JUNE, our 4TOFM get behind the cause by holding local fundraising event. So, join 4TO FM & Otto's Fresh Food Market, get involved and make a real difference!





# Community







