



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

It has now been twelve years since Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and non-Indigenous Australians together sparked the Close the Gap campaign, which gave impetus to the development of targets to monitor and measure progress. Since this time there has been encouraging progress, built on the combined efforts of successive governments, business, community and most importantly, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people themselves. But it is undeniable that progress against targets has been variable and that a more concerted effort is needed.

I was heartened to see in a recent Closing the Gap report that there are some positive gains. For instance, Indigenous mortality rates are declining, especially those deaths from circulatory diseases (such as heart disease and stroke) and the Indigenous infant mortality rate has more than halved in the past 16 years. The fact that there is a high rate of immunisation among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children at five years of age is encouraging. But the life expectancy of Indigenous Australians is still around 10 years less than non-Indigenous Australians – an unacceptably wide gap.

It is the responsibility of all of us to ensure that we truly partner with Indigenous Australians to address the disparity that still exists. A key opportunity for partnership will be through the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Australian Constitution. It will be the recognition of an enduring culture that forms such an intrinsic part of Australia's identity.

Ending the disparity is complex and challenging. As a school we must walk side by side with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on the journey of recognition and reconciliation, to build a promising future for all.

From the Principal contained

I would like to finish today with a reflection:

What would our boys most like to say to his parents (teachers) at this moment of their life?

Don't spoil me: I know quite well I ought not to have all that I ask for; I'm only testing you.

Don't be afraid to be firm with me: I prefer it; it makes me feel secure.

Don't let me form bad habits: I have to rely on you to detect them in the early stages.

Don't make me feel smaller than I am: It only makes me behave stupidly big.

Don't correct me in front of people if you can help it: I'll take more notice if you talk quietly with me privately.

Don't make me think my mistakes are sins: It upsets my sense of values.

Don't be too upset when I say 'I hate you': It isn't you I hate but your power to thwart me.

Don't protect me from any consequences: I need to learn the painful way by facing my mistakes sometimes.

Don't take too much notice of my ailments: I am quite capable of trading on them.

Don't nag: If you do, I shall have to protect myself by appearing deaf.

Don't make rash promises: Remember that I feel badly let down when promises are broken.

Don't forget that I cannot explain myself as well as I should:

Don't tax my honesty too much: I'm easily frightened into telling lies.

Don't be inconsistent: That completely confuses me and makes me lose faith in you.

Don't put me off when I ask questions: If you do you will find that I stop asking and seek information elsewhere.

Don't tell me my fears are silly: They are terribly real and you can do much to reassure me if you try to understand.

Don't ever suggest that you are perfect or infallible: It gives me too great a shock when I find that you are neither.

Don't ever think that it is beneath your dignity to apologise to me: An honest apology makes me feel surprisingly warm towards you.

Don't forget that I cannot thrive without lots of understanding and love: But I don't need to tell you that do I?

Michael Conn | **Principal**



Year 8 Retreat

All Year 8 students completed have completed a one-day retreat where they considered and experienced "God's Spirit in Action", which is a theme for all of our efforts in teaching Year 8 students this year. The retreat was held at St Patrick's Parish Centre and Church, South Townsville, where the boys experienced four sessions focussed upon God's Spirit in Action in four complementary ways. The students were led in considering God's Spirit in Action through Dadirri; through their prayer life with an emphasis on the Ignatian Examen; through the Mass; through Catholic heroes; and, with special importance, understanding its place as "the source and summit of our faith!" As a Friday in Lent, we had fish and chips which were very well received. Thanks to all staff involved, with special thanks to those who prepared the day and the sessions. In particular to Mr Greg Christ, our Retreats Coordinator; Mrs Kathy Jarrett, Identity and Mission Team Assistant, for her outstanding organisational skills; and to Fr Rod Ward, our College Chaplain for his unending support of nurturing faith in our students and staff at Ignatius Park College.



Easter Liturgy – Thursday 30 March at 11am

All are welcome to attend the Easter Liturgy on Thursday 30 March. All parents, past pupils and friends are welcome to join us for a moving commemoration of the Stations of the Cross. Our Year 10 Drama students are preparing to 'shadow-box' mime the Stations of the Cross as we are led through Jesus' Passion through the Gospel reading by some Year 12 students, with Fr Rod leading us in some reflective questions.

St Patrick's Day

While St Patrick's Day is now associated mostly with "all things Irish", it is actually celebrated by Christian people around the world. Most people think of St Patrick's Day as celebrating in green and gold, wearing shamrocks, and eating corned beef and cabbage. Yet, for Christians, there is a deeper meaning to St Patrick's Day that Christian teens can learn about and practice. As the Irish emigrated from Ireland, they took their holiday and celebrations with them, allowing everyone to partake in the celebration of Ireland's patron saint. While many people know about wearing green and shamrocks, there are other spiritual celebrations that take place on St Patrick's Day. In Ireland virtually all businesses close on that day. Special Masses take place in churches around the world, and Christians partake in prayers for missionaries around the world. Often these services precede exuberant celebrations.

In cities around the world with large Irish populations the post-Mass celebrations include parades, Irish music and songs, and Irish food and drink. Some cities plan large celebrations.

Happy St Patrick's Day to all! Wadda Mooli

Live Jesus in Our Heart, Forever.

Frank Clarke | **Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission**



College Staff



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Katrina Guazzo
Teacher



Gian Guerra
Teacher

Year 7 Hospitality

The Year 7 Hospitality students have hosted a wonderful morning/afternoon tea for VIPs. Special guests, including parents and teachers, were treated to delicious food the students had made during classes. These included decadent choc chip cookies, mouth watering pizza pinwheels, egg and bacon tarts as well as scones that were fit for the Queen! The boys put on their airs and graces and were excellent waiters and hosts.

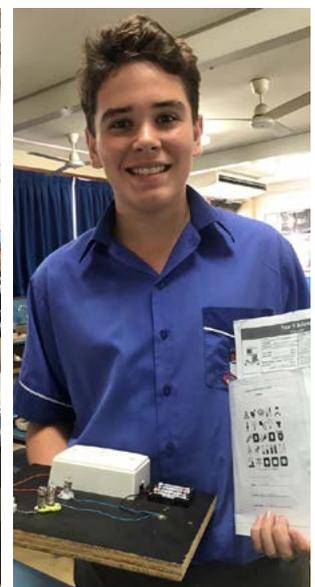
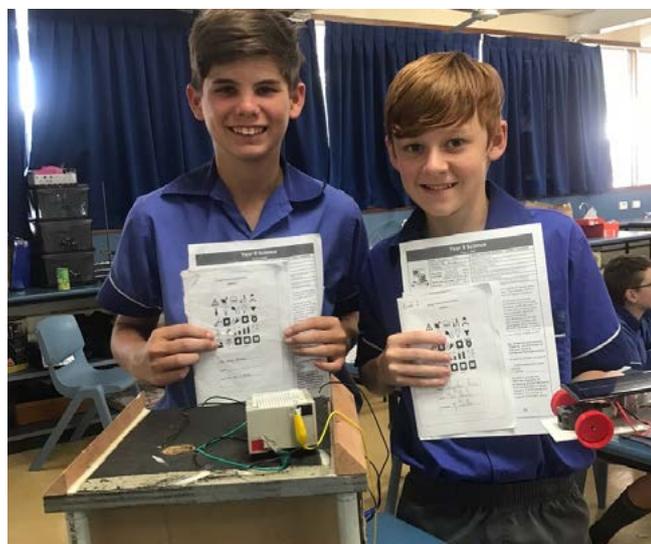
Jodie Roberts | **Teacher**



Year 9 Science

This week sees the start of the Year 9 Science "Energy Transfer" project presentations. The students' hard work since Week 3 has culminated in the form of short presentations. Students explained how their models worked, evidenced the types of energy transformations as well as some mathematical calculations used, including Ohm's Law. Students were also asked to analyse which types of energy were efficient and inefficient. They clearly showed that they enjoyed this unit on Energy Transfer.

Catherine Ventic | **Teacher**



Blue Wall

Congratulations to Martin Paul (Year 11) who will be representing Australia in a sport that is quite unique – Tae Kwon Do.

Martin will be flying over to Argentina in August this year and will be competing in the Individual Junior Men's division, with the possibility of competing in the Men's team events.

We wish him well as he trains for this important competition.

Pudy Timbs | **Pastoral Leader - Baillie House**



Administration

Parent Teacher Interviews

Important Information: Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher bookings will be made through Parent Lounge this year. Please ensure that you have access to Parent Lounge by logging in using the College Website.

Your username is your Parent Account number which may be found on your latest statement and will look similar to 01234

If you have forgotten your password, please use the Forgot password link at the login page. If you are still unable to log in, please email info@ipc.qld.edu.au

A graphic with a background image of a student in a blue uniform. The text reads: 'Parent Teacher Interviews', 'Parent Teacher interviews will now be booked using Parent Lounge.', and 'Check your email for updates regarding booking times & Dates'. At the bottom left is the Ignatius Park College logo, and at the bottom right is the contact information: 'Ignatius Park College | Phone: 07 4796 0222 | Email: Info@ipc.qld.edu.au'.

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New Learning Space

Late last week our new temporary learning space, Room 101, became available for the students to use. The new space will allow our staff and students more options within the timetable, as we continue the refurbishment of other classrooms and sections of the College into the future. The space can comfortably seat up to 24 students, with some individual work spaces available at the rear of the room. The classes who have already moved into the room are beginning to make themselves feel at home. The space is certainly a hit with staff and students, with more and more classes requesting to move into this area. Once the Year 8 Rice Homeroom have finished their decorating their space, we will post more photos in an upcoming newsletter!

Allison Elcoate | **Assistant Principal - Administration**



College Open Day

Monday 8 May 2017

3:15 - 6:00pm

4:30 & 5:15pm Principal's Address

Interactive Displays | Trade Skills Centre
Tours | Performances | Sporting Facilities
Activities | Hospitality | Meet College Staff



2017 Next Step Survey

The Queensland Government is conducting its annual state wide survey of all students who completed Year 12 in 2016. The Next Step survey is a brief, confidential survey that gains a comprehensive picture of the employment, study and life choices made by Queensland school completers in the year after they finish Year 12.

Between March and June, all our students who completed Year 12 last year can expect to receive instructions to complete a web-based survey or a telephone call from the Queensland Government Statistician's Office to complete the survey.

Thank you for your support of the Next Step survey in 2017.

Further information on Next Step is available online at [LINK](#) or on toll free telephone 1800 068 587.

Ignatius Park College Upcoming Events and Dates

WEEK 8 Friday 17 March

St Patricks Day
Worlds Greatest Shave
National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

| IGNATIUS PARK COLLEGE | | CALENDAR DATES 2017 TERM 1 | |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| WEEK 8 | | 13 | End Assignments |
| | | 17 | St Patrick's Day |
| WEEK 9 | | 21 | Harmony Day |
| | | 22-28 | Year 7-12 Exams |
| WEEK 10 | | 28 | Naplan Practice Year 7&9 |
| | | 29 | IPC Cross Country Carnival - MEDICAL CERTIFICATE DAY |
| | | 30 | Easter Liturgy. 11.00 am |
| | | | Edmund Rice Day Celebration – Coloured Clothes Day |
| | | 30 | Term 1 Concludes - CLASSES FINISH 3PM |
| | | 31 | Student Free Day |
| | APRIL | 9 | Palm Sunday |
| | | 9-13 | Year 8 & 10 Football Development Tour |
| | | 14 | Good Friday |
| | | 16 | Easter Sunday |
| | | 17 | Easter Monday |
| | | 18 | Student Free Day |
| | | 19 | TERM 2 COMMENCES – Day 3 timetable |

Uniform Shop News

Crew sports socks available in all sizes again.

IPC Supporters Polos

We are now taking orders for our IPC Supporter Shirts. If you wish to fly the IPC flag at Rowing or Footy or other school events these shirts are available by pre-paid order from the Uniform Shop. They will be \$40. Please attend the shop to check your sizes, our sizing has been changed once again! **Orders will close Friday, 31 March, last day of term at 10.45am.** See below for this year's design (Male shirt on left, Female on right).



The shop is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8 - 10.45am.

Sue Brock | **Uniform Shop**

Rowing News

Learn to Row Regatta

Wow - What a way to wrap up our Learn to Row!

On Sunday we had over 40 boys and girls from IPC, SPC and SMMC racing against each other in their first ever Regatta.

The action was exciting, fast and furious as the boys raced in Quads, Doubles and Singles. There was a lot of laughter and capsizes along the way. The boys rapidly improved their race acumen and by the end of Regatta they were racing like veterans.

I, and the other coaches, would like to congratulate the squad not only on their impressive progress during the short Learn to Row Campaign but on their conduct, teamwork and fantastic attitude.

Also, I would like to extend a very big thank you to all the parents. It was great to see such support and we're really excited about our prospects for the upcoming rowing season. I invite all of our amazing team of new rowers to be a part of this rowing season.

All rowers – Information evening 6.30pm Thursday 23 March at SMMC

Planning for the main rowing season is well underway. An information evening about the upcoming season for all IPC, SPC and SMMC rowers, present and future, will be held in the SMMC Theatre.

See you on the water.

Tony Smith - **Head of Rowing Program**

QLD Secondary Schools Cricket

Congratulations to Brendan Haylett from Year 11 Rice for his selection in the QLD SECONDARY SCHOOLS U19 Cricket Team that will take on NSW in September.

Brendan was one of eight IPC players in the Northern team that contested the recent State Titles in Bundaberg. The team finished a creditable 6th from 10 which was an outstanding effort considering it was a record number of representatives from a single school in any region of the state.

Brendan claimed five wickets in three games and was virtually unplayable on the third day of the Carnival which ensured his selection.

He will be the youngest player in the team that will contest a day/night match and a three day match on the Sunshine Coast in September.

His selection is a result of hard work and good results in the local competition. In the local school's competition, he has taken a total of 16 wickets in three matches at an average of less than five runs per wicket.

Brian Hawke | **Teacher**



Junior Basketball News

This Week in Year 7 Basketball, IPC blue defeated Cathedral in extremely tough conditions. The boys had to play on an outside concrete court in very hot weather and we had no escape from the sun. No shelter and no water close by meant the boys were more sluggish than normal on the court. We still came away with the win - 47 to 24. Another top scoring game by Diesel Jacobsson-Rhodes with 22 points and MVP to James Sheppard and Sean Young. It was great to finally have the full team back in action. Big shout outs to Sean's Mum, Mrs Jiin Chin, for once again providing food at the end of the game. This week the ice blocks were a big hit in such hot conditions.

Amanda Loechel | **Teacher**



The Year 8 IPC White Basketball Team has had a great start to the Interschool Basketball Competition. With only two games to play, IPC White remain undefeated after putting together a string of impressive wins against Southern Cross Catholic College, Kirwan State High School, Townsville State High School and Townsville Grammar School. The win against Townsville High was particularly impressive. With only three points separating the teams at three-quarter time, IPC went on a scoring run, taking the fourth quarter 24-8, and won 60-41.

One of the best aspects of the season has been the way the students have grown as a team. They have been sharing the ball, making plays for each other and celebrating the successes of every member. IPC White play Annandale Christian College, 15 March, at Annandale and will finish the season with an Intraschool derby against the IPC Blue team, 22 March, at the IPC Hall.

Rohan Lloyd | **Teacher**

Rugby League News

First XIII

The First XIII departed on a long road trip to Yeppoon in Week 7 for the second and third round of the Aaron Payne Cup Competition. In what was a true test of character, the boys were required to travel to Yeppoon on Tuesday, before playing two games of Rugby League against tough competition over two days, before returning to Townsville on Thursday night.

Traditional rivals St Brendan's College, Yeppoon was the first challenge the boys faced on Wednesday afternoon. In what was a very physical contest, the Ignatius Park College forward pack managed to gain control of the game after an initial early battle through the middle of the field in wet and sluggish conditions. The Ignatius Park pack was very physical in the early exchanges which brought the speed and skill of the backline into play. IPC 6 – 0 at the half time break and continued to gain the ascendancy through the middle to run home eventual winners 12 – 10.

However, there were several nervous moments when the typically strong St Brendan's boys scored with only two minutes remaining on the clock to ensure we needed to close out the game defensively. A special mention must go to Quinlan Kelly and Kieran Moran who continually took the ball forward and stung in defence, as well as Joey Jensen and Ty Everett, whose tries proved to be decisive in the close encounter.

Day 2 saw Ignatius Park College come up against Emmaus College, Rockhampton in a mid-morning game. The second day of a double-header is always a good indication of the toughness and resilience of individuals as two games of Rugby League at this level is always a tough ask. It also provides a valuable learning curve of how to prepare your body for the second day of the contest in a situation which the boys will be asked to continually do at the Confraternity Carnival in June. In what was a hard-fought contest, the Ignatius Park boys overcame a sluggish start to lead 18-0 at the half time break before continuing the job in the second half to run out 36-0 winners. Cameron Bateup and Joey Jensen were crafty out of dummy half, while Adam Whyte churned through the meters upon his return to the left edge position. A special mention must go to Mitchell Zohn who returned to the First XIII after a long recovery from injury and really made an impact with his aggressive carries through the middle of the field. Adam Cook also ignited the Ignatius Park attack and showed his experience and class to guide the boys around the field in the first half against Emmaus.

All 22 First XIII players and 21 U15 players should be extremely proud of their efforts on and off the Rugby League field throughout the event. The boys are certainly working hard behind the scenes and, although there is plenty of room for improvement, their effort, desire and commitment cannot be questioned. A special thanks must go to Liam Jameson who travelled with the team as well as First XIII Priest/Doctor Fr Ward, who continually works around the clock to keep the players and staff fit, healthy and firing. Mr Rowan, Mr Cook, Mr Logan and Mr Groves also continue to give their time generously for the benefit of IPC Rugby League. The boys now have a few weeks of no games where they will regroup, recover and continue to work hard on the training paddock ready for their next opportunity.

2nd XIII

Seconds won 16-6 after sharing points at 6 all with Pimlico at half time. Lost ball in the first 20 minutes and penalties in the second half starved us of possession. Pimlico were determined to play hard football and it took a more physical effort from IPC to shut them down in the second half. Drew Dawson, along with Luke Kenny, Dre Backer, Layton Anderson, Dylan Kenworthy and Tom Chester showed composure to settle the team. Our forwards continually made ground and the outside backs made few errors.

This was our best contest for the season. Our marker defence and line speed improved markedly in the second half. This was a tough game which has empowered a more disciplined and enthusiastic approach for the remaining games of the season.

U15

The U15s came away from the double-header with two very hard fought victories. The side continued to struggle with ball in hand in their first match against St Brendan's. The boys committed defence was the sole reason for the 10-6 victory. The second match against Emmaus College had a very lethargic start. The side fell behind 10 – 0 and looked like they would struggle to contain the highly enthusiastic boys from Rockhampton. From this point on though, IPC put together the most polished 35 minutes of Rugby League that Mr Logan has seen in his time at the College. From slick backline moves to barnstorming front row charges, the boys did not let up and ran away with a 34-10 victory. All boys are to be commended on their spirit and commitment during the trip.

U14

It was an all Ignatius Park affair in the U14 division this week when IPC Blue were drawn to take on IPC White. It was IPC Blue who drew first blood and were too classy on the day, running out eventual winners to keep their unbeaten streak in the competition alive. Nathan Ford, Chase Wilkins and Braedan Kennedy never stopped trying for IPC White and should be commended on their efforts. IPC Blue are remarkably yet to concede a try in the Block Sport Competition and go into their showdown with Kirwan Red full of confidence. IPC White look forward to their game with Kirwan Black.

Rugby League News Continued

U12

The IPC U12 Team continued their unbeaten run in the U13 Competition with a huge victory over Kirwan State High School Black 30 – 0. Stand out players were Jamal Shibasaki, Adrian Sandy, Reece Foley and Risten O’Grady. The boys look forward to their game against Cathedral at 4pm on Tuesday as their first away game of the year at The Cathedral School.

IPC Blue and White came up against each other in a highlight anticipated contest for two previously undefeated teams. In the end, it was IPC White who prevailed 16 – 12 in a close contest which could have gone either way. Cody Sadler, Lachlan Lerch and Matthew Hunter all had strong games for IPC White.

Christian Quabba | **Teacher**

Rugby Union News

Last Sunday, the 1st XV Rugby Union travelled to Cairns to play against Saint Augustine’s College. IPC started well and crossed the white line early, however, struggled to maintain any continuity and the score was quickly levelled after some lethargic defence from IPC. Both sides then scored again and St Augustine’s went into the break leading 12 to 10. The second half saw IPC begin to feel the heat and St Augustine’s put the foot down, scoring an additional three tries to win the match 29 to 10. In all, an excellent effort from our lads after the bus ride up and the heat, which proved to be bridge too far! Thank you to St Augustine’s for the game and their hospitality.

Tries: Darcy Young and Harry Mahoney

MVP: 3 points - Jack Andreassen; 2 points - Henry Lyons; 1 point - Connor Anderson

Mark Moxon | **Pastoral Leader - Carew House**



IPC Cross Country

The IPC Cross Country will be held on Monday, 29 March. School will start as normal on the day. The Cross Country will start and finish in Cranbrook Park. All students are encouraged to participate. Teachers will walk the boys down to the Park at the start of Period 1. There will be water provided on the course and at the finish line. The boys will be encouraged to hydrate before they leave school. Student with medical concerns should see their Pastoral Coordinator.

At the completion of the race, the boys are asked to walk back to school. The road way intersections on the return journey are supervised by staff, as well as the school ovals and the swimming pool.

School will resume at 11.15am and the school canteen will be open from 10.00am.

A school representative team will be chosen to compete at the Townsville Interschool Competition and a number of warm up events in Townsville.

John Alloway | **Program Leader | Sports**



TSSSA Swimming Carnival

IPC dominated the Swimming lanes at The Townsville A Grade Interschool Swimming Carnival. A feature of the day was the 13 wins from 13 starts in the Relay Events. Thanks to all the boys for their effort in the pool and their behaviour throughout the day.

John Alloway | **Program Leader | Sports**



Community



School Chaplaincy Services - Ignatius Park College

Ignatius Park receives Commonwealth Government funding for the provision of chaplaincy services at the College by Father Rod Ward, under the National School Chaplaincy Program. The funding is made available to us in association with the Queensland Government and the Department of Education and Training

Father Ward is on site most Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. If your son would like to take advantage of Father Ward's services he can approach the Identity and Mission staff at the College or his Pastoral House Leader. Use of Father Ward's services by students is voluntary.

The funding totals \$20,000 per year. The College wishes to acknowledge and thank the Commonwealth and State Governments as well as the Department of Education and Training for providing this funding and allowing the College to provide this important service within the College's Pastoral Care environment.

Position Vacant

Edmund Rice Camps Townsville needs a new Camp Coordinator. The position includes recruiting and training volunteer buddies as well as organising, attending and leading five day camps in the school holidays, liaising with agencies such as SVDP and keeping records, maintaining volunteer lists, newsletters, FB etc.

The position is for 8 hours a week with time-in-lieu for the Camp week(s). Applicants must be eligible to apply for a Blue Card and have a current driving license. Previous camp 'buddies' are encouraged to apply.

Please contact Carmen at cthorman@tsv.catholic.org.au or 0411663842

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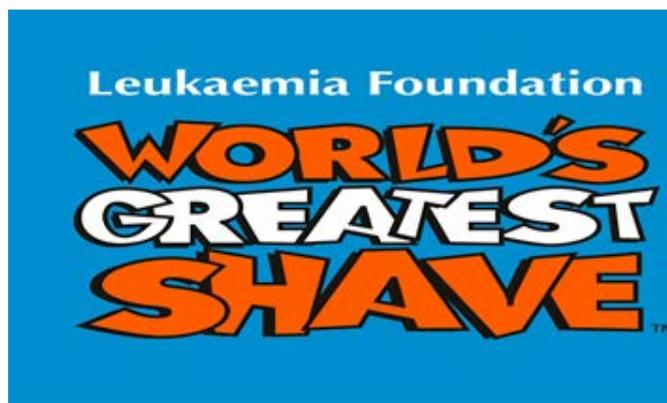
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World's Greatest Shave

Tomorrow the IPC community will participate in the "World's Greatest Shave" with over 25 staff and students bravely volunteering to shave their precious locks, all in the name of supporting the Leukaemia Foundation's initiative. Donations can either be made directly to the participants involved, or donations can be made on-line to the "Iggy Park" team. Thanks so far to all the generous sponsors in our community – last day to donate! Watch this space for more exciting pictures next week.

Pudy Timbs | **Pastoral Leader - Baillie House**



Lions Youth of the Year Quest

Lane Moloney (Year 12 Reid) took part in the District Final of the Lions Youth of The Year Quest on the weekend. This involved presenting a prepared speech on the predictions for the future of technology as well as responding to impromptu topics like your favourite letter of the alphabet and what you'd do with \$1 million to spend.

He performed admirably and is to be commended on his willingness to move beyond his comfort zone and take on a challenge. Lane said it was a great experience which will definitely be valuable in the future.

Andrea Tarttelin | **Faculty Leader - English**



Shedspace Fundraiser

A very sincere thank you to all families in the Reid House for supporting our Headspace initiative. The money raised will be used in the construction of 'Shedspace.'

'Shedspace' is a new project that will support youth across Townsville. We look forward to your continued support for this very important community organisaion.

Henry Lyons and Ryan Gilmore | **Captain and Vice-Captain Reid House**



A lot of things have been happening this term. Whilst the Newsletters provide a comprehensive summary of what has happened and what is to come, I hope you have also 'liked' our Facebook page which will deliver the exciting things we are involved in, directly to your Newsfeed!

We have just launched a few new initiatives for the benefit of our students, both past and present. **Employment Connections** came about as Old Boys were seeking recent graduates from IPC as employees. We sincerely appreciate that our Old Boys value the holistic education that we provide and seek these qualities in their personnel.

Mr Philip Dembowski, our Careers Advisor, has added a valuable link to our website to provide the latest information that will assist our current students make decisions about their future career and life within and beyond school. **Ignatius Park College Careers** may be accessed under the Pastoral Tab on our website by clicking *Careers* and then *Career Tools*. Please take the time to check this site out and encourage your son to do so. Not only does this site contain information on Careers, it also has comprehensive material regarding Tax File Numbers and USIs, as well as links to obtain these important documents.



Employment Connections

As the College has strong ties in the community we, at times, hear about employment and/or apprenticeship opportunities available to Old Boys (past IPC students). Therefore, we are initiating a program called **Employment Connections**.

This program works two ways:

1. An Old Boy who is looking for a job/apprenticeship can register his details with the College (name, year graduated, area of interest, phone and email address).
2. Businesses that are searching for an employee/apprentice can register with the College (giving specific information relevant to the position).

Old Boys and businesses can register interest by emailing: julie.owen@ipc.qld.edu.au

The College will then endeavor to connect the two.

Although we obviously cannot make any promises to either party, we will do our best to assist.

If you know of any Old Boy or Employer who may be interested in registering with us – please pass on these details.

Marg Hodgson | **Deputy Principal – Operations and Community Engagement**

Tomorrow we are acknowledging **National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence**. The Year 12 students will be wearing their anti-bullying shirts as they use the opportunity, once again, to publicise their clear message that we stand as one to make our community a safe place for all. If you have not yet seen the video that our Seniors made, please check it out on our Facebook page. The link to the BULLYING. NO WAY! website is found **HERE**.



There are a number of important events on the horizon:

I encourage parents and carers to support the **Parents and Friends of Ignatius Park College**. This is a group that provides a voice to parents and carers – IT IS NOT for fundraising. Your support would be appreciated. Our AGM and a get together will be held on Wednesday 29 March, 6pm – 7pm in the College Boardroom. Please note that we strictly adhere to these times.

ANZAC Day is another community event supported by the College. Staff and Seniors will be present at the Dawn Service and our student body is encouraged to attend the annual march in full school uniform. A letter will be provided to interested students containing all relevant information.

Open Day will be held on Monday, May 8, 3.15pm – 6pm. As well as new families who wish to join the College, we certainly welcome the families of currently enrolled students to wander through our facilities or avail themselves of a guided tour. Students have been asked to volunteer their time to act as Ambassadors and have been provided with a permission letter.

Another new initiative this year by way of celebrating Mother's Day, is an event that we would like to add to our College Calendar. The most beautiful part of the Year 12 Graduation is the Mother and Son Dance. Rather than keep this to a one-off event, we decided to use this concept and create a **'Mums' and Sons' Dance'**. This will be held on Saturday, 20 May, 6pm – 9pm. This is open to all students, from Year 7 through to Year 12. It will be a structured evening where Mrs Pudy Timbs will take the boys and their Mum (or significant female), through steps to the 'older dances'. We will then enjoy a shared supper. To this end, we ask that all bring a plate to share.



Community Engagement

Although we have held **'Australia's Biggest Morning Tea – Iggy Style'** previously, this has been an event shared by only our students. This year, we would like to throw open our doors to our Community. To this end, we are inviting parents and grandparents, as well as the residents of our surrounding Retirement Villages. If you are able to attend, you will be more than welcome. This event will be held on Friday, 26 May, 10.30-11am. Our students will be enjoying a shared morning tea in the Quad, Mall and Hall – divided by Houses to enable brothers to enjoy morning tea together.

As guests, you are welcome to join your son/s in their area or in the airconditioned comfort of the Hall! We are asking our students to bring a plate of food to share as well as a gold coin donation to assist with Cancer Research. Many in our community have been touched, either directly or indirectly, by this insidious disease and we would like to make a meaningful contribution to its' eradication.



I was going to write a quick paragraph detailing our engagement with community... it is exciting that the paragraph has become an essay! With my team, we are developing mechanisms to ensure our Community is engaged with College life and kept informed. Our next large project is relaunching our Old Boys Association. If there are any other strategies you could suggest, I would sincerely appreciate a conversation. I can be reached through the College Office (47 960 222) or via email.

Marg Hodgson | **Deputy Principal – Operations and Community Engagement**



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The workshops will run for six consecutive Mondays in Term 2 starting May 8th. Students will have the opportunity to learn new skills and enhance their ability to solve problems.

When: Term 2, 2017, 8 May to 12 June.

Time: Monday 4:00 pm - 5:45 pm

Where: JCU Townsville Education Central (details to follow)

Cost: \$40 total

Places are limited to 20

Pairs of students are encouraged to attend as buddies where they will work together with other students from different Townsville schools in real life scenarios. Prizes are on offer, along with take home materials and interactive incentives.

How to register

Parents/Carers should register their children online.

1. Go to this link: <http://alumni.jcu.edu.au/MEOW>
2. Enter in student details
3. Make payment by Credit Card.

A confirmation email will be sent back with more details.

For more information contact:

mathsed@jcu.edu.au

Shaun Belward: Phone 47814297



Cricket Fundraiser

Tickets will be on sale from the College Office for \$20 or you can contact me by email at brian.hawke@ipc.qld.edu.au
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