



# Ignatius Park College Newsletter

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## From the Principal

Dear Parents, Friends and Caregivers

*Ignatius Park College acknowledges that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Bindal and Wulgurukaba People and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Bindal and Wulgurukaba People as the traditional custodians of the Townsville region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Bindal and Wulgurukaba People today.*

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope all members of our College community had a restful break.

Firstly, congratulations to our First XIII Footballers who won the Confraternity Shield during the holidays in Bundaberg. I was privileged to attend the Carnival and watch all of their games during the week. They played exceptionally well winning every game. In fact, only two tries were scored against them during the whole competition. I am so proud of their success and they were a credit to the College, both on and off the field. I received many compliments on their behaviour and good manners from the Motel Manager, clients at the motel and other schools we competed against. This is our sixth Confraternity Shield victory and it is exciting that we bring the Confraternity Shield back to Ignatius Park College in our 50th Year. Congratulations to the following students who represented the College: Tai Laidlow, Aiden Simkin, Ethan Roberts, Thomas Whiting, Dean Barnes, Bingen Balanzateguli, Braithen Knox, Tai-Reece Hill, Lachlan Maginnis, Jackson O'Grady, Isaiah Vailalo, Jack Taylor, Will Buchanan, Eddie Hampson, Ethan Hagarty, Kaelin Kerekere, John Nawara, Raheem Rolfe and Maletino Lafoga. We will present the Shield at our next Assembly. Thank you to Mr Steve Lansley, Mr Gary Cook, Mr Bill Ahern and Mr Matthew Stark who supervised, trained and managed the students over the week.

Also, during the holidays, five students and eight parents and friends trekked the Kokoda Trail. The group spent over a week in the highlands of Papua New Guinea trekking through the jungles of the Owen Stanley Mountain Range, reliving the experience of a small band of young Australian soldiers who, in 1942, overcame seemingly insurmountable odds to walk the trail. For our students and staff it allowed them, not only to recount the courage of these young soldiers who walked the path seventy-seven years ago, but to identify within themselves the spirit of team work, resilience and strength to overcome all challenges. Thomas Baker, Ryan Connolly, William Costigan, Christopher Francisco and Ethan Moody Humphrey have been the first students from Ignatius Park College to trek the Kokoda Trail and we hope for many more to follow. Thank you to both Mrs Sally Conn and Mr Matthew Mitchell who supported both the students and families.

On Sunday, we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the first moon landing. It was the vision of American President, John F Kennedy, who stated in the early 1960s that, "We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard, because that goal will serve to organise and measure the best of our energies and skills, because that challenge is one that we are willing to accept, one we are unwilling to postpone, and one which we intend to win." His vision became a reality in 1969, the same year Ignatius Park College opened, when the world rejoiced at the words 'The Eagle has landed.' I recall being in a Year 3 class on 21 June 1969 and the students gathering around to watch flickering black-



## A Catholic Secondary College in the Edmund Rice Tradition

*The Edmund Rice Community acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which the College stands, the Bindal and Wulgurukaba People, and pay our respects to the Elders past, present and future.*

## From the Principal (continued)

and-white images on the television and hearing the words of Neil Armstrong, 'one small step for man; one giant leap for mankind.' I probably didn't realise at the time the significance of these words and that something miraculous was unfolding in front of me.

However, it is interesting to note that prior to Neil Armstrong walking on the moon, the lunar module landed on the moon on 20 July, 1969 and both Astronauts, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin, had to wait a day before they stepped out onto the lunar surface. Buzz Aldrin, in the lunar module, celebrated Eucharist, sharing bread and wine. This sacramental ritual was an opportunity for them to give thanks and to contemplate for a moment, the events that had taken place and their further mission to walk on the moon. As we reminisce the 50th Anniversary of this historic event we need to celebrate the tenacity of the human spirit, how a vision became a reality that defied all obstacles and challenges and a faith that all possibilities can be achieved. When they landed on the moon, Buzz Aldrin read the following scripture from John 15:5:

*I am the vine, you are the branches.*

*Whoever remains in me, and I in him, will bear much fruit;*

*for you can do nothing without me.*

We welcome to the College community this term the following staff members:

- Mr Liam Dunne from Townsville Central School who will be teaching mainly Science with some Mathematics;
- Mrs Nicole Groves who has been appointed a Teacher Aide – Learning Enrichment for the remainder of the year;
- Mrs Verity Chapman-Mears who commences as the Teacher Aide – Industrial Technologies;
- Mr Matthew Rowan is extending his leave and will be replaced by Mr Simon Anderson;
- Mrs Trisha Forman from William Ross High School has been appointed to the position of School Officer - CLT Assistant - Community and Staff Development; and
- Mrs Kelly Gervasoni who will commence next Monday teaching Mathematics.

We also welcome back Mr Mark West who has been on leave over the past six months and congratulate Mr Michael Lunn who was married during the holidays. Mr Brendan Stewart is currently on five weeks study leave and during his leave the following staff will be in acting positions: Mr John Doolan will be Deputy Principal - EREA, Mr John Deer – Deputy Principal - Pastoral and Mrs Sandra Hughes – Pastoral Leader - Treacy House. Mary McClure has been employed for the five weeks to teach the other classes.

This week we farewell an icon within the College, Mrs Jean Pugh, Executive Assistant to the Principal. Mrs Pugh has been at the College for over 27 years and has held various positions within the College. For the last 10 years she has been Executive Assistant to the Principal for both Mr Michael Conn and myself. Although parents and students may not often see her working in her office next to the Principal, she has always been friendly, professional and totally committed to the College. She has a wonderful corporate knowledge and knows the stories and connections of our families, staff, Christian Brothers and school which is totally irreplaceable. Mr. Pugh has a wonderful presence that touches the heart of all people she meets. As a new Principal, her guidance and support were imperative in my transition into the College. Mrs Pugh will be sadly missed from Ignatius Park College. We wish God's Blessing on Jean and her husband, Ron, on her retirement which will allow her to spend more time together with her grandchildren. As the Irish Blessing for retirement states:



Jean Pugh

*Now is the time to enjoy your heart's desire,  
To live the dreams you've waited for,  
To awaken the depths beyond your work,  
And enter into your infinite source.*

Today is Nelson Mandela International Day and it was declared by the United Nations General Assembly in November 2009, recognising the former South African President's contribution to the culture of peace and freedom. This day recognises Mandela's values and his dedication to the service of humanity in: conflict resolution; race relations; promotion and protection of human rights; reconciliation; gender equality and the rights of children and other vulnerable groups; the fight against poverty; the promotion of social justice. Issues that still challenges us today. The College is recognising Nelson Mandela International Day with activities embedded in our curriculum this week.

*It is easy to break down and destroy.  
The heroes are those who make peace and build. - Nelson Mandela*

*Live Jesus in Our Hearts, Forever*

**Shaun Clarke** | Principal



# Remembering Fifty Years of Ignatius Park College



**50 Year Merchandise Store now online!**  
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## Identity and Mission

### Praying for Justice & Solidarity

*God, you have given all peoples one common origin. Fill the hearts of humankind with the fire of your love and with the desire to ensure justice for all. By sharing the good things you give us, may we secure an equality for our family throughout the world. May there be an end to division, strife and war. May there be a dawning of a truly human society built on love and peace. AMEN*



### Upcoming events

#### Week 3: Catholic Education Week

There will be activities for all students Tuesday to Friday of Week 3:

Monday - Catholic Education Week Mass (13 students to attend at the Cathedral)

Tuesday - Chill out Tuesday (different types of contemplative prayer/meditation)

Wizards Wednesday - The Gospel according to Harry Potter

Thoughtful Thursday - Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders (EREBB) workshop

Football Friday - Create a 'sockball' and play football how the majority world does

More details to be given in Week 2.

#### Week 5: Anniversary Mass

Thursday, 15 August, 11:00am in the Edmund Rice Hall. This is also the feast of the Assumption. Bishop Timothy Harris, Fr Rod Ward and other clergy will celebrate this important Mass with us. All are welcome.

***Those who work for justice will shine like stars for eternity. (Dan 12:3)***

**Johanna Smith** | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission



**Join us  
for Mass**

Wednesday Mornings  
8am

Our Lady of the Mount Chapel

## Word Flyers

All students in Years 7 -9 now have access to Word Flyers, a literacy program designed to extend student understanding of basic grammar skills at a range of levels. Students have been given log in details by their English teachers and are allocated regular class time to work on this. Please have a look and pass on your feedback.

**Andrea Tarttelin** | Faculty Leader - English

## Year 10 SET Plan Forms to be returned by 9:00am, Friday 19 July

A reminder that the Year 10 SET Plan forms need to be returned to the Edmund Rice Office by 9am Friday 19 July, 2019. Students received these forms and instructions during the Career days at the end of Term 2.

Once forms are returned, students will be assigned to their SET Planning Mentor and families will be able to book in an appointment for an interview. The SET Plan interview is a compulsory QLD Government requirement for all Year 10 students prior to entering Years 11 and 12. It is important that both students and parents/carers are present for the interview. These interviews allow students and parents/carers to work in partnership with the College to develop an individual plan for success in Years 11 and 12 through informed subject selection and career discussion.

**Allison Elcoate** | Deputy Principal - Operations and Data Analysis

## Tutoring and Homework Program

With the start of the new Semester, it is timely to remind parents of the support available to students with their studies. Regular tutoring and the homework program is open to all students at the College each week. These sessions are staffed by teachers and provide valuable opportunities for the boys to obtain extra support, consolidate their learning from class or complete homework in a supportive environment.

Additionally, the Senior Study Night occurs every Wednesday and is open to students in year 12 only. This evening is also supervised by teachers and allows the boys to work collaboratively on upcoming assessment and obtain extra tuition in their studies.

Full details of available tutoring, the Homework Program and the Senior Study Night are below.

### IPC Tutoring Schedule

**Science Tutoring:** 3.15-4.30pm Monday Afternoons, Library

**English Tutoring:** 3.15-4.30pm Monday Afternoons, Library

**Maths Tutoring:**

Day	Time	Room
Monday	3:15pm – 4:15pm	201
Tuesday	8:00am until Homeroom bell	213
	3:15pm - 4:00pm	108
	2nd lunch: 12:35pm – 1:15pm	C1
Wednesday	8:00am until Homeroom bell	213
	3:15pm – 4:15pm	201
Thursday	8:00am until Homeroom bell	213
Friday	8:00am until Homeroom bell	213

### Homework Program

Monday to Friday, 3.15pm – 4.15pm, Library.

### Senior Study Night

Wednesdays, 4.30pm – 7.00 pm, Library.

**Shane Dove** | Dean of Teaching and Learning



## Homework Program

This will recommence in Week 2 of Term 3, with the change of the Library being open to students from Monday – Thursday afternoons from 3.15 – 4.15 pm.

**Pudy Timbs** | Learning Resource Coordinator

### HOMEWORK PROGRAM ROSTER

Ignatius Park College Library – 3.15pm to 4.15pm

TERM 3, 2019

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
1	<b>15<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b>  <b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b>	<b>16<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b>	<b>17<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b>  <b>PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS</b>	<b>18<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b>
2	<b>22<sup>ND</sup> JULY</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>23<sup>RD</sup> JULY</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>24<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>25<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
3	<b>29<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>30<sup>TH</sup> JULY</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>31<sup>ST</sup> JULY</b> <b>Michelle Kenyon</b> (Science, History, Hosp, RE) <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
4	<b>5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
5	<b>12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
6	<b>19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>21<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>22<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
7	<b>26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Michelle Kenyon</b> (Science, History, Hosp, RE) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
8	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
9	<b>9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>11<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)  <b>SENIOR STUDY : 4.15 – 7.00 pm</b>	<b>12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Georgia Stayte</b> (Science, PE) <b>Pudy Timbs</b> (English, Hosp)
10	<b>16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Rowan Lloyd</b> (English, Humanities, Economics) <b>Andrea Tarttelin</b> (English/History/RE)  <b>SCIENCE TUT – LIBRARY</b>	<b>17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Cathy Ventic</b> (Science, RE)	<b>18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER</b> <b>Stephen Robertson</b> (English/History/Legal Studies)	<b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b>

## Classroom Expectations

The College has taken the opportunity at the start of the Semester to revisit the classroom expectations at IPC. New posters have been placed in every classroom to ensure these expectations are clear and explicit. Each expectation was also clarified on the first day of term with students in Pastoral House meetings.

A copy of expectations is below. They apply to:

- every student
- in every classroom
- every day

All students have a responsibility to know, understand and follow these expectations and contribute to the positive and supportive learning environment at the College. Support from parents in reinforcing these expectations with their sons is greatly appreciated.

**Shane Dove** | Dean of Teaching and Learning

# OUR EXPECTATIONS



## ENTRY

- ✓ Right place, right time, right equipment
- ✓ Correct uniform, line up and hats off
- ✓ Stand behind desk
  - ✓ Greet teacher
  - ✓ Sit at teacher instruction



## PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

- ✓ Demonstrate respect
- ✓ Develop and maintain positive relationships
  - ✓ Use manners
- ✓ Contribute to a safe environment
- ✓ Understand the What, Why and How of the lesson



## ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITY

- ✓ Take responsibility for your own learning
- ✓ Attempt all tasks
- ✓ Use technology appropriately
- ✓ Problem solve first then ask for help
- ✓ Demonstrate a growth mindset

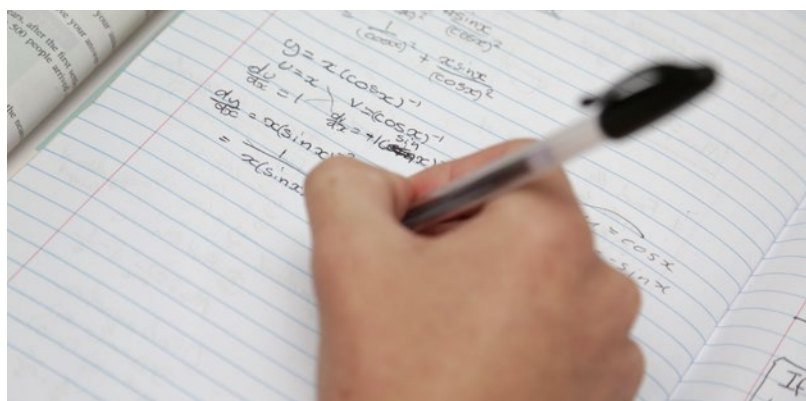


## EXIT

- ✓ Write homework in diary
  - ✓ Stand behind desk
  - ✓ Check uniform is in good order
- ✓ Leave classroom in good condition
- ✓ Exit appropriately on teacher instruction



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## Skateboarding Championships

Aidan Skinner in Year 8 secured first place in the Under 16s Skateboarding section of Operation X during the school holidays.

Aidan will now represent Townsville in the Queensland State Skateboarding Championships in Mackay in September.

Well done Aidan!

**Jodie Roberts** | Pastoral Leader - Baillie House



## Iggy Park boys successful at Football Qld Community Cup

Six students from Ignatius Park College were part of the North Queensland Football Representative team for U13's that played in the State-wide Football Queensland Community Cup in Cairns over the June/ July holidays. Teams travelled from Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Wide Bay and Mackay as well as Central, North, Far-North, North-West and South-West Queensland to compete.

The boys' NQ team went through to the Grand Final undefeated after winning all four of their pool matches and faced FNQ who had also gone through their pool undefeated.

After a tight battle, the NQ team won 2-1 and were crowned Community Cup Champions.

Well done to the boys involved: Joshua Eggins (8 Baillie), Jake Cottam (8 Rice), Bailey Westhorpe (8 Rice), Brody Lejarraga (8 Rice), Lachlan Hutchings (8 Reed) and Nikolas Collocott (7 Rice).

**Jodie Roberts** | Pastoral Leader - Baillie House

## Iggy Park boys successful at Football Qld Community Cup

Monday (or first day of term), Wednesday and Friday – 8:00am to 11:00am

If you miss the morning rush, please remind your son the Uniform Shop is open during the first break as well.

Plenty of jackets still in stock - \$47

New IPC laptop bag - \$45

Padlocks - \$15

Hats - \$15

**Larissa Moule** | Uniform Shop



## Mandela Day

This week IPC has recognised and celebrated Mandela day. Along with an awareness session in House meetings and Religion lessons, the College flew the South African and United Nations flags to commemorate this event. Justice League and interested students were invited to share a lesson on Nelson Mandela and discuss possible advocacy issues here at IPC and the Townsville community.

**Greg Christ** | Identity and Mission Coordinator - Liberating Education





## First XIII Confraternity Champions

After 10 months of uncompromising commitment, early mornings and intense training, the moment the First XIII boys had been waiting for all year had finally arrived. Confraternity 2019 was here and, with it, an opportunity the boys had been working hard for all year. An opportunity to celebrate a long road of hard work, to enjoy playing the greatest game of all, to represent their school and to achieve a goal the boys had set for themselves since arriving at Ignatius Park College. To return the Confraternity Shield to Iggy Park for the first time since 2016.

The First XIII's opening game was against St Patrick's College, Shorncliffe. The Ignatius Park boys started their campaign on a high with a 16 – 0 victory. Tai Laidlow was awarded Man of the Match for a workman like effort. St Patrick's College Mackay was the next opponent for the Iggy Park boys. The First XIII won 14-4. Unfortunately, large amounts of time was lost throughout the game due to a head knock to one of the St Patrick's players as well as Ignatius Park hardman, Dean Barnes, breaking his arm. Ethan Roberts was awarded Man of the Match for a barnstorming performance. The final pool game saw Ignatius Park College come up against Marymount College, Gold Coast. The Iggy Park boys stuck to their structures well and turned the screws on the Marymount boys to record a comprehensive 18-4 victory. Braithen Knox was almost unstoppable after moving to five-eight, scoring two tries and being awarded the Man of the Match in a dominant display.

On Tuesday, the boys played a Quarter Final against The Rockhampton Grammar School. Tai-Reece Hill was awarded Man of the Match for his classy play from Fullback. The Iggy Park boys booked their place in the Confraternity Shield Semi Finals through some of the best defensive displays in Ignatius Park history. After four games of Rugby League, the boys only conceded the one try, with Marymount's points coming solely through two penalty goals.

After a well-deserved rest day, Ignatius Park College played Padua College. Continuing to build on their incredible defensive resilience, the Ignatius Park team continually turned Padua away. We played some sensational Rugby League as Jackson O'Grady, Braithen Knox and John Nawara all scored two tries, while Lachlan Maginnis, Tai Laidlow and Will Buchanan also crossed as Iggy Park blew Padua away to record a 40-4 victory. Braithen Knox was once again awarded Man of the Match in a classy display of Rugby League. The boys had secured their spot in the Confraternity Shield Grand Final against Aaron Payne Cup rivals The Cathedral College, Rockhampton.

In front of a massive crowd of around 3,500 people, the First XIII threatened early as John Nawara and Ethan Hagarty all making decisive runs down the edge of the field. On the back of a 40/20 from TCC, the Iggy Park boys were asked to call on their previously impenetrable defence as they defended their try line time and time again. As the 'Blue Wall' call went up and the boys continued to turn up for each other, TCC began to get frustrated at their inability to break the Iggy Park line. After weathering the initial storm, Braithen Knox scored under the posts and Jackson O'Grady followed suit to give the Iggy boys a 12-0 lead at half time.

The First XIII came out firing after the break with massive charges from the forwards allowing the boys to continually roll down the field. Within minutes, John Nawara and Braithen Knox crossed the line as the boys pushed their lead out to 24-0. When Bingen Balanzategui and Kaelin Kerekere scored off the back of barnstorming runs it was 34 – 0 and the Confraternity Shield was returning to Ignatius Park College for the seventh time since the competition began in 1980.

Braithen Knox was named Player of the Final and joined teammates Ethan Roberts, John Nawara and Isaiah Vailalo in the tournament's Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Rugby League side. Ethan Hagarty was awarded the Ignatius Park College Player of the Carnival, while Thomas Whiting was presented with the IPC 'Spirit of Confraternity' Award.

There were far too many amazing efforts throughout the week to single out individual players. Confraternity Shields are not won on the back of an individual effort, an individual play or even an individual moment. Confraternity Shields are won on the back of the coming together of a group of young men who are willing to commit to each other and do anything for each other all in aid of the common cause. As I have heard people say in the past, Confraternity is about bringing away a group of boys and returning with a group of men. To the Ignatius Park College First XIII, you are an amazing group of young men whom your coaches, families, friends and school community are extremely proud.

On behalf of the group I would like to thank Principal, Mr Shaun Clarke, his leadership team and entire staff for their continued support. Fr Rod Ward, Mr Gary Cook, Mr Bill Ahern, Mr Matthew Stark, Mr Liam Jameson and Ms Kayleen Foster for not only giving up a week of your holidays to accompany the boys to Confraternity but the hours and hours of work you have put in with the boys every single day for the past 10 months. The coaching staff as a whole did a fantastic job in ensuring that the boys were physically and mentally prepared and for that, I can not thank them enough.

From here the boys eagerly await their next challenge. The First XIII have directed their full attention to the Aaron Payne Cup and their knock out Semi Final clash against arch rivals, St Brendan's College. The game will be played next Wednesday at Brothers Rugby League grounds with Kick off at 11:15am. The school's Year 10 Cowboys Challenge have also qualified for a knock out Semi Final and will play before the First XIII next Wednesday with a 10:00am kick off. Please wish both teams well as they prepare for these do or die contests in the National Competition.

**Steven Lansley** | Head Coach







## Toast Room

The Toast Room is in desperate need of donations of spreads.

Kraft Cream Cheese, Strawberry Jam and Vegemite are the popular choices. Nothing containing nuts please.

**Kay O'Connor** | Tuckshop Convenor



## Plastic Free July

This month is Plastic Free July. Will you join the challenge?

Go to [plasticfreejuly.org](http://plasticfreejuly.org) to register and find out more.

Happy Recycling!

**Catherine Ventic** | Teacher



## Privacy Notice

Information required to determine the Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA) for schools

This notice is to inform Parents and Caregivers that the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), has requested the College to provide ACARA with information about you and your child. The College may disclose to ACARA information such as your child's gender, date of birth, country of birth, background language, parental occupation and parental education. Please note the data provided to ACARA is de-identified personal information.

This information is disclosed to ACARA under the EREA Privacy Policy for one or both of the following purposes:

- formulating national reports consisting of aggregated data on school performance; and
- assisting government to formulate policies in relation to education matters.

EREA's Privacy Policy is accessible [here](#), via the College website or from the College office. If you do not want the College to provide this information to ACARA, please advise your school within seven (7) days of receiving this notice.

Further information about ACARA can be obtained from the ACARA website at [www.acara.edu.au](http://www.acara.edu.au).

**Paul Fanning** | Business Manager

## Kokoda Trail

At the start of the school holidays five IPC boys took on the challenge to conquer the Kokoda Track. Thomas Baker (Year 12), Christopher Francisco (Year 12), Ethan Moody Humphery (Year 11), William Costigan (Year 9) and Ryan Connolly (Year 7) spent 10 days in PNG, walking up and down countless hills whilst immersing themselves in local culture and World War Two History.

The trek started at the southern end of the track, Owers Corner. The location is marked with a 25-pound Artillery gun which was seen as the last line of defence in stopping the Japanese invading Port Moresby. Due to recent rain, the track was thick with mud which lead to a baptism of fire as we trekked down to the Goldie River.

The historical side of the trip will not be forgotten as it made a deep impact on the entire group. The lives lost in the area was really felt by the group. During our trek, we visited the now infamous Brigade Hill, also referred to as Butcher's Hill. This is the site of one of the most horrific battles our soldiers fought during their withdrawal over the Owen Stanley Range and is considered a scared site as many lives from both sides were lost during the four day battle. Our trek leader held a memorial and provided a full historical overview of the events that took place during the battle. This opportunity to reflect on the terrible scenes that occurred and the lives lost really left a feeling of loss with our group.

Another day saw us visit the Isurava Battlefield Memorial, which commemorates the site of the 'Battle of Isurava'. It was here that Private Bruce Kingsbury was killed during battle and ultimately awarded (posthumously) the Victoria Cross; the highest award for bravery in the Commonwealth. We held an emotion charged memorial service and reflected upon the gallantry, courage and sacrifice made by all of our soldiers during the Kokoda Campaign.

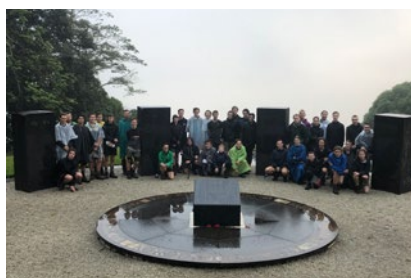
The final leg of our adventure was a long flat walk through palm oil and rubber tree plantations. Finally, after trekking for eight days and covering 96km of harsh terrain, we reached the Kokoda Track Arch, which marks the end of the trek. It was time to take immense pride in our achievement of successfully crossing the Kokoda Track, whilst also reflecting upon the remarkable accomplishments of our soldiers and the hardships they were forced to endure during the Kokoda Campaign of 1942. We were welcomed into camp by the locals who performed a traditional dance.

After the trek, we spent the next two days visiting the villages of Buna and Sanananda. These were two locations where conflict first started as it was the landing site for the Japanese. We took the opportunity to immerse ourselves in local culture and learn how many of the villages make a living. Our boys enjoyed playing with the local kids.

On our final day we first travelled to Port Moresby. Whilst waiting for our flight we were able to visit Bomana Cemetery. The cemetery contains more than 3,700 Commonwealth burials of the Second World War, sadly 700 remaining unidentified. Here we paused to remember all those who paid the ultimate sacrifice as part of the 1942 Kokoda Campaign, whatever their nationality and contribution.

Congratulations boys on your outstanding achievement. I'm sure the memories of this trip will last a life time. Thank you to Tracey and Greg Baker, Allyson Buchanan, Scott Connolly, Kirsty Dillon, William Hall and Rebecca Nieminen who all came along to share the journey with their boys. Thank you to WO2 Gary Hanley, who was a fount of knowledge and experience who helped all at one point or another. Thank you to Sally Conn who joined on this trip at the last minute and provided many laughs along the way. Lastly I would like to thank the staff from Get Away Trekking, particular Sue and Wayne Fitcher as well as Neil Richardson.

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### Alpha: have you heard about Alpha?

**ALPHA** is a series of gatherings with the aims of loving, learning and living by bringing people into a relationship with Jesus by sharing the good news of the 'gospel.' It involves each week gathering, commencing with a shared meal, friendly interaction and getting to know each other, prayer and watching a 30 minute video, then breaking into small groups to discuss and share thoughts, experiences and questions about each video. One weekend during the series we will hold a day retreat especially focusing on the Holy Spirit – who He is, what He does and how we can be filled with the Holy Spirit. There is no cost involved, apart from your own time and now and again bringing along a meal to share. All people, young and older, are welcome as well as family and friends from other areas, those not practising their faith and or those interested in exploring the Catholic Faith. Alpha will be run in Holy Spirit Parish again this year, following its success last year and will commence on **Thursday 25th July** from 6–8pm and then on each Thursday evening till September.

For further information or to register, please contact **Blanche** on 0428 736 726 or [blanchecrisp@gmail.com](mailto:blanchecrisp@gmail.com).



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**DISTANCE** 4.4km

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