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 Wulguraba 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 Wulgurubaba People today.

Dear Parents, Friends and Caregivers

If you drive or walk past Ignatius Park College you will notice a new large replica of the Celtic Cross from Monasterboice, Ireland, in front of the Administration Office. The Celtic Cross is symbolised by the central figure of Christ, interwoven with divine action. The column depicts scriptural stories and the new life offered by the risen Christ. It is believed the circle represents the pre-Christian past, in particular, the sun where all creation stems from and the four indentations represent the four seasons of the Celtic year. It was believed that by attaching the sun to the Son on the Cross, this acknowledges the fullness of creation in Christ. To restore the circle on the Celtic cross was to give people their place in the sun – something that Edmund Rice set out to do.

The Celtic Cross has been donated to the College by our 2019 Year 12 graduating class to acknowledge the Christian Brothers and the past staff and students who have formed and shaped this College over the past 50 years. Today we celebrate three important milestones for our 50 Years: the blessing of the Celtic Cross, the Dedication of the Time Capsule and celebrating, as a whole College community, our 50 Year Mass. We chose to celebrate these three events today as it is the Feast of the Assumption. Even though the College commenced on the 25 August 1969, this Feast Day has always been an important day for the Christian Brothers. Blessed Edmund Rice, founder of the order, devoted his prayers towards
Mary and prayed before a picture of the Assumption in the St Anthony Church in Waterford, Ireland. It was also the day the Christian Brother’s congregation was proclaimed. We were privileged to have the presence of Bishop Tim Harris, Bishop of Townsville, throughout the day, to celebrate these rituals.

The blessing of our Celtic Cross is an important symbol to our College community, like Edmund Rice. The face of Jesus can be found in the poor and challenges us to reach out to those in need and provide hospitality. This was entrenched within the Celtic tradition. The Cross also reminds us that Jesus carried the Cross to Calvary and that through our faith and love for God, we can overcome any obstacle and “Live Jesus in our Heart Forever.”

The blessing was followed with the Dedication of our Time Capsule. The articles placed in the time capsule included: College uniform, Letter from the Lord Mayor, Coins – 1969 and 2019, student and staff list, today’s papers and 50 Year merchandise. The Time Capsule, which was placed in front of the Celtic Cross and will be uncovered in 2069, will allow students in the future to capture a glimpse of what the College was like in 2019. Thus students, 50 years in the future, can look back on their history, as we are reflecting on our journey to this point.

As a College we wanted to leave a snapshot of who we are, what we do, how we look and what we have achieved. It is a frozen moment in time, handing it to the future. The Time Capsule is a message of hope. In my letter placed in the Time Capsule I wrote:

My prayers for Ignatius Park College is that it continues to grow as a leading educational school in Townsville and that the spirit of Blessed Edmund Rice is truly alive in each student who moves beyond the gates of this great college. Ignatius Park College exists solely for the benefit of young people. Our constant goal is to educate them and prepare them to face a future world that is difficult for us as “professionals” in 2019 to comprehend. I hope we have prepared our students for the “unseen futures,” to have the faith, courage, vision and integrity to meet the challenges of a changing world. The true test of this job we have done will be evident when this document is reread in 2069.

Our Mass today was a wonderful celebration of the past fifty years and the legacy left behind by the Christian Brothers, staff, parents and students and the thousands of young men who have graduated through the College. All of these people have made a positive difference in our world. It is fitting that we celebrate our birthday Mass on the Feast of the Assumption, as Mary is the example of an ordinary woman who becomes extraordinary by virtue of her faith in what God makes possible in her life. Mary not only listened to God’s word and heard it, but she allowed the Word to take flesh in her life. For the Christian Brothers, Mary’s life depicts her unconditional love for her God and all of humanity. I would like to thank Bishop Tim Harris for his celebration of Eucharist within our community on this historic day. It was wonderful to have Fr. Rod Ward (College Chaplain), Fr. John Kunnathumadappillil (Parish Priest), Rev Terry Lyons, Rev. Alan Sheldrick, and Deacon Emene Kelemete, who con-celebrated the Mass. We also had Br. Paul Conn cfc (last Christian Brother Principal – 1998 – 2002) and his brother, Mr. Michael Conn (former Principal – 2003 – 2017), attend.

Congratulations to Mrs Annette Gregory who won the Peter Doherty Award for “Outstanding STEM Support Officer Award” in Brisbane last week. The Award was presented by Queensland Minister for Education, Grace Grace and the Queensland Chief Scientist. Also, congratulations to Stuart Smith, Andrew Jones, Bryce Kenyon and Joshua Pether, our Senior Debaters, who won the Semi-Final and will now compete in the Grand Final.

The mass on the Feast of the Assumption this week reminds us as a College community that we need to be like Mary and continue to be committed to the very presence of God in our lives.

Father in heaven,

all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness come from you.

In the plan of your wisdom
she who bore the Christ in her womb
was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven.

May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness
and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Live Jesus in Our Hearts, Forever

Shaun Clarke | Principal
Iggy Under the Stars

Don't miss Iggy Under the Stars next Saturday! One night only performance. Only $10 which includes hot and cold nibbles by the Hospitality Department.

Iggy Under the Stars is a night of celebration of all things creative. We will have live performances featuring musicians and actors, short films and a visual art exhibition.

Some of the performances and students you will see on the night includes:

• Year 11 Drama are working hard with their director Declan Keyes-West on their performance of The Six Angry Pigs. They will also perform this at the upcoming Townsville Eisteddfod. Students involved are: Taran Burkhardt, Liam Coffey, Hayden Dunlop, Benjamin Herrero, Daniel Knowles, Lachlan McDermid, Fionn O’Seighin, Matthew Wilmen, William Bennett

• Dominic Cusumano (Year 12) and Sam Salvadore (Year 10) are displaying, once again, why they are the masters of the piano.

• Year 7 and Year 9 Drama classes have been preparing their performance assessments and will take the stage to showcase their talents. Lleyton Ward, Kian Jenkinson, Coen Russell, Taj Peterson and Jack Revell along with Year 7 Drama students, Joseph Martini and Harley Caspani.

• Film, Television and New Media Senior students have worked hard to create horror films and a music video or two, with the keen eye of our Year 10 students showcasing their photographic skills. Some of the students' work being presented is by Tom Nesirky, Bryce Kenyon, Cameron Turner, Lachlan Bourke and Braydon Glover.

• Year 7 students Callum Cavanagh, Geoffrey Lui join Senior boys Ben Herrero and Sam Salvadore in our Band Jam Rising Sun with Matthew Wilmen on vocals.

• Axel Lincoln and Zac Brunetto, both Year 10, will weave their dramatic skills as the MCs for the evening.

• Teachers, Mr Leo Hogan and Mr David Roberts will join the boys on stage to showcase their musical talents.

Purchase online at www.ipc.qld.edu.au/bookings or visit the College Office.

Kylie Tillack | Faculty Leader - The Arts, Creative Arts
Identity and Mission

Praying with Mary, on the Feast of the Assumption

A modern Magnificat

Blessing of the Celtic Cross and the Time Capsule and Anniversary Mass

A big thank you to everyone involved in the significant celebrations we held today. Today we were joined by EREA staff members, former principals, old boys, parents of current and past students, former staff members, current staff, students and parents and many noteworthy supporters of our school. We were also excited to be joined by a significant number of clergy and religious. We were joined by Edmund Rice people from as far away as South America, and as close as Cranbrook. And we live-streamed the Mass so everyone else could be involved too. It was a lovely celebration of our culture, and its dependence on a strong connection with Mary, mother of God.

Johanna Smith | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission
Book Week 2019

Are you ready for Book Week? This year’s theme is Reading is my Secret Power and all in our community are invited to dress up in costume NEXT WEDNESDAY and participate in the various activities organised by the Library staff. Some great prizes to be won for those getting involved.

Pudy Timbs | Learning Resource Coordinator

VET & Industry Placement

The Year 11 and 12 VET students will be going on placement for the final time this year in Week 7 – 26 to 30 August. Therefore, students are expected to call their employer no later than Wednesday next week to confirm their placement details.

For the Year 12 students, this will be their last opportunity to ask their bosses about employment opportunities for 2020. We strongly suggest the boys have their resumes updated and ready to show employers for industry placement week.

Pictured is Mr Paul Marano’s Year 11 Certificate II in Resource Infrastructure and Work Practices class, proudly showing off their paving skills. The students have not only laid the pavers, but they have made them by mixing, colouring and pouring the concrete into moulds. Once set, they levelled and prepared the ground and laid the pavers. Well done, gentleman!

Grant Rossiter | VET Program Leader (Acting)

U15 NQ Rugby Union

Last week, nine Ignatius Park students travelled to Toowoomba as part of the U15 NQ Rugby Union side to play in the state championships. The team ended up finishing ninth and managed to go undefeated in the 7s competition and bring home some silverware. A big thank you goes to the parents and families who travelled with the team and supported the boys in the extreme cold.

Players:
Matt Dyer (10), Ryan McCarron (10), Ben Dixon (10), Jeremy Morton (10), Lloyd Kennedy (10), Diesel Jacobson Rhodes (9), Conor Muldoon (9), Jay McPherson (9) & Cody Sadler (9).

Matthew Mitchell | Pastoral Leader - Nolan House
Debating News

We’ve had another successful round of Debating here at Ignatius Park College. Earlier in the week our Year 7 Debating team, IPC 2, consisting of Logan Maggenti, Adam Keymer and Oliver Pauline-Carr, (coached by Irene McLaughlin), were victorious against Southern Cross Catholic College arguing the negative side of the argument That all students should play a musical instrument. They will now move on to the quarter finals which will be held later this term.

Our other Year 7 team, IPC 1, consisting of Luke Guilfoyle, Tate Hastie, Benjamin Hatchard and Connor Sexton, (coached by Adriana Rossi) were unfortunately defeated by Cathedral arguing the affirmative side of the same topic.

Last week, our Senior team, consisting of Bryce Kenyon, Andrew Jones, Joshua Pether and Stuart Smith (coached by Andrea Tarttelin), defeated Grammar in the Semi-Final, arguing the negative side of the argument That modern technology is destroying individuality. They will now move through to the Grand Final which will be held here at IPC on Thursday 29 August at 7:15pm. All are welcome and encouraged to come along and support the boys!

Marita Martinez | Debating Coordinator

Hospitality News

After a successful excursion to SeaWorld H.O.T.E.L. school, the Year 12 Hospitality class is now busily preparing for their final restaurant event. Phoenix Outback Steakhouse will be ready for business on from 6pm on Friday, 6 September.

While the menu is being developed, it will feature a few favourites like cheesy garlic bread, coconut prawns and amazing rib eye steak, cooked to your liking. There will, as always, be amazing vegetarian dishes and gluten free options too.

Bookings can be made via the College Office. On the night, we are also trialling our new ordering and payment system. The students will be using touch pads to take your food and beverage order, which will automatically be printed out to the kitchen and bar area. We also now have a PayWave system. These new systems give the students current industry learning and knowledge.

Jude Head | Faculty Leader - Hospitality

Cowboys Challenge Winners

Last Thursday saw the IPC Year 10 Rugby League team contest the Grand Final of the Cowboys Challenge at 1300SMILES Stadium. In front of family and friends, the boys produced their grittiest performance in the 11-4 victory. Falling behind early did not deter the boys commitment and resolve. The support of their fellow students on the hill was an integral part of their resurgence in the second half. Tries to Cathane Hill and Frank Backo were complimented nicely by a side line conversion and late field goal from Man of the Match, Thomas Duffy. Congratulations to all involved on a very successful year.

Matthew Groves | Pastoral Leader - Rice House
### Mathematics Tutoring Sessions

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### QCS Stationery Packs

The **COMPULSORY** QCS stationery packs for all Year 12 students sitting the QCS Test are now available for purchase at the front office for $20. These packs must be purchased by Friday 30 August in preparation for the QCS Testing on Tuesday 03 September and Wednesday 04 September.

### Community

#### NAIDOC Week Celebrations

A number of our Ignatius Park College Torres Strait students visited primary schools earlier in the term to celebrate NAIDOC week.

The students visited Good Shepherd Catholic School, Annandale State School and Saint Patrick’s College and performed traditional dances which originated from Boigu Island in the Torres Strait.

The day was a huge success with all schools showing much appreciation to the boys.

Andrew Kirkpatrick  | Program Leader - Indigenous and Multicultural
Community

Book Club

Book Club provides families with an affordable and convenient way to bring the best in children’s literature into their homes. Each issue contains curated, age-appropriate titles that have been carefully selected and levelled by a dedicated team of professional booklovers.

Scholastic operates on a unique model, proudly partnering with Australian schools and educators for over 50 years. As well as bridging the important class-to-home reading gap, Book Club also benefits Australian schools—for every Book Club order placed, Scholastic gives back 20% of the order spend to schools to purchase valuable educational resources via its Scholastic Rewards program. Check out the link to access some great deals: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Pudy Timbs | Resource Coordinator

QUEENSLAND ACADEMY OF SPORT VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

TALENT SEARCH CAMP

ONLY!

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IS YOUR CHILD AUSTRALIA’S NEXT VOLLEYBALL OLYMPIAN?

COME JOIN IN THE FUN AND LEARN HOW TO PLAY!

BENEFITS:

The Talent Search camp is an opportunity for young athletes to be introduced to the fun sport of volleyball. They will participate in both introductory and advanced skill development activities dependant on their level of experience.

- You will learn the skills to play Volleyball with other children in similar age groups.
- Be taught by Olympic, National and State coaches and athletes.
- Learn & develop skills in passing, spiking, setting, and team work skills.
- Get a camp T-shirt!

DETAILS:

WHEN:

Monday and Tuesday

WHERE:

Craigieburn State High School Oval
685 Hamilton Road, Chermside QLD

COST:

$99 Per Child (6-13 years - no experience necessary).

TIMES:

8:30AM - 3:30PM each day.

REGISTER CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2019

SCAN QR CODE OR, GO TO HTTP://TINY.CC/14rr9y OR CONTACT KYLIE MARSHALL ON 0401 045 486 OR AT QASVOLLEYBALL.ADMIN@AVF.ORG.AU

TO REGISTER

Pudy Timbs | Resource Coordinator

MACKAY REGION – 12th SEPTEMBER 2019 @ Eimeo Beach
TOWNSVILLE REGION – 19th SEPTEMBER @ THE STRAND

The Secondary School Surf League Program has been created to introduce students to surf lifesaving skills and competition, whether they are a lifesaver or not. The format of the league will certainly challenge students and will enable students to test their abilities against themselves, the environment and students from other schools across Queensland. The Secondary School Surf League will encompass activities relating to surf swimming, beach sprints and flags, board paddling and rescue disciplines.

If you are interested in participating please contact your PE department or SLSQ on (07) 4766 2313 for more information.