



Ignatius Park College Newsletter

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From the Principal

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.

Dear Parents and Carers

It is amazing that we are already in the second week of term. Term 4 is our shortest term of the year, though packed full of major events and celebrations. In many ways, the biggest threat is looking ahead to the finish line, without 'lowering the eyes', to ensure that all potholes are successfully navigated. Study schedules must be plotted, assignments well-drafted, social events managed and staples such as sleep, and nutrition are attended to. Year 11s have commenced Unit 3 of the new QCE and Year 12s will be finishing their final assessments for their OP results at the end of the year. This is the final year of the OP system in Queensland. For both groups this will be a demanding term where they will need to focus on their studies.

A reminder that our Awards Night will be held on Wednesday, 23 October in the Edmund Rice Hall. This event, which commences at 7.00pm, is significant in our College calendar as it provides us with the opportunity to celebrate the great achievements of our students. All students in Years 11 and 12 and award recipients are expected to be in attendance. We ask that students and parents arrive and are seated by 6.50pm. As a sign of respect to students receiving awards, we ask that parents and students remain for the duration of the ceremony. It is anticipated that the evening will conclude by 9.15pm. This year at the Awards Night we will announce the 2020 College Captain, Vice-Captain and Prefects. It would be appreciated if you could bring a small plate of food to assist with supper afterwards.

Reminder to all parents that next Monday, 21 October is a Student Free Day.

Our College Board plays an important role in working collaboratively with the Principal and the EREA, ensuring that we are faithful to the Charter for Catholic Schools in the Edmund Rice Tradition. It also ensures quality stewardship in offering the best possible learning community at Ignatius Park College. The College Board has responsibilities in strategic planning, school improvement plans, master planning and capital works, approving policies, compliance with EREA Risk Policy and procedures, and ensuring our authenticity to the Touchstones. Mr Greg Leslie and Mrs Vicki James will both finish their tenure at the College at the end of the year. I sincerely thank both Greg and Vicki for their passion and dedication to the Board over the years. Therefore, two positions have now become available on our College Board, and all members of our College community are welcomed to apply. The Board would appreciate any applicant who can bring a wealth of experience and expertise to enhance the operations of the Board. If you are interested in applying for the Board, please contact Mrs Kirrilee Browning at Kirrilee.Browning@ipc.qld.edu.au and request an Expression of Interest Form. All forms to be submitted by COB Friday, 8 November 2019.

We have been fielding a number of phone calls regarding the availability of places in all year levels for 2020. If your son will not be returning in 2020, could you please contact my Executive Assistant (Kirrilee Browning) as soon as possible. Enrolments are now open for 2021 and 2022.



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)



Last night the College celebrated the Deadly Awards which was a wonderful celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait culture, and the achievements of each of our students. As Principal of Ignatius Park College, I am proud of the diversity of our student population and how our College is enriched by the presence of our students with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent. The large number of people that attended the Deadly Awards strongly reflects our College as an inclusive and welcoming environment that provides quality and culturally appropriate education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people. In 2011, Ignatius Park College had 50 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and next year, in 2020, we expect to have some 119 students, with 14 students attending the College from Cowboys House.

We are proud of each of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in the College. Through our programs and activities, we aim to build within them the confidence to be change agents in their community, to set high expectations in their learning, to develop strong leadership skills, and connection with their heritage and culture through dance, music and cultural experiences. Congratulations to the following students who won Awards: Trent Laffin - Ergon Energy Career Award, Tai-Reece Hill – QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader Award, and Ethan Kelvin – Deadly Bala Award. We also acknowledge Connor Snow, Dean Barnes, Ethan Kelvin, Jackson O’Grady, Shameus Edwards and Shy Tully who will be graduating from the College this year.

Thank you to all of the Elders, parents, grandparents, carers and friends that supported the evening in some way. Also thank you to Mr Andrew Kirkpatrick, Mr Oral Power, Mr Danny Anua, Mr Tristan Nelliman-Allan and Mrs Sheena King who organised the Deadly Awards, which celebrated the culture and achievements of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Gail Mabo: 2018 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children’s Day Ambassador stated:



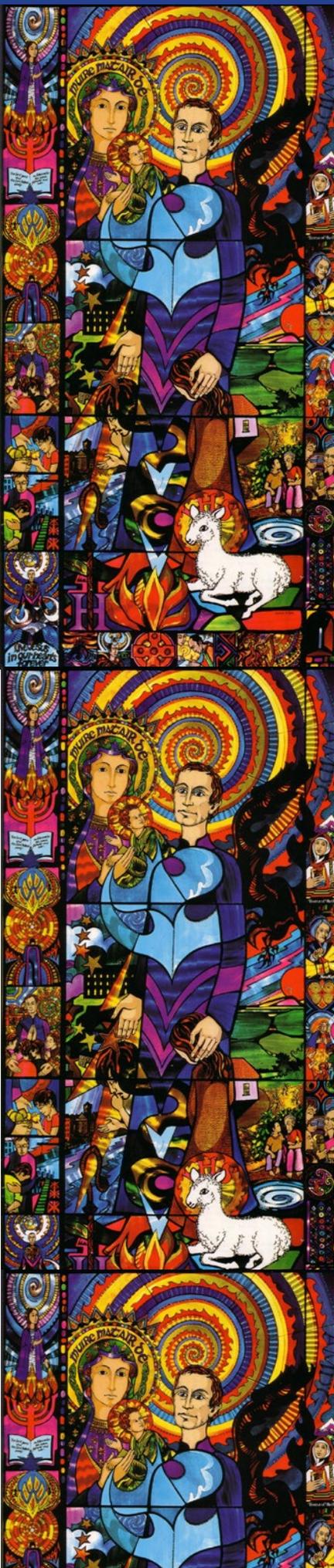
It’s important to raise our children with culture to make them grounded – to make them understand. It gives them the best foothold within their culture before they step forward into the big wide world, which is like shifting sand, where everything is moving and evolving. The best way to help children become strong people is for them to be immersed in culture. It doesn’t have to be the traditional cultures of the Central Desert or Torres Strait – it’s the unity of the family that makes them strong. Culture is what lets our children understand who they are and where they have come from.

Live Jesus in our Hearts Forever

Shaun Clarke | Principal

 Ignatius Park College

Student Free Day
Monday, 21 October



Identity and Mission

Prayer of preparation

God, in this term of expectation, draw us together in unity, that our faith might echo in these walls and be evident in our lives. Draw us together in mission, that hope for all is the song we sing, and the melody of our lives. In this term of expectation, draw us together in service, that the path we follow might lead us from a stable to a glimpse of eternity. AMEN



EREBB – India Immersion

Over the recent holiday period, Mr Greg Christ participated in an EREA Immersion to India as part of the Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders initiative. There will be opportunities for students and staff to hear about his experience as he works with small groups over the coming months. Mr Christ writes:

The objective of the trip was to experience the Indian culture in terms of its multi-faith society, and observe the Catholic mission alive by responding to the needs of the most marginalised. Highlights included:

- *mission work in the redevelopment (slum) areas of Delhi and Kolkata,*
- *mission work in a Leprosy colony in Puri,*
- *experiencing the Hindu ceremonies in Varanasi, and*
- *visits to ER schools of St Columba’s (Delhi) and St Joseph’s (Kolkata).*

Events to watch for in Term 4

- Faith in Action
 - o Year 7 Breakfast Club
 - o Year 9 CommLink Tech Days
 - o Holy Spirit Visits
 - o Brooklea Visits
 - o Socktober event (Yr 7s)
 - o SVdP Christmas Appeal
- Liturgies and Masses
 - o Year 12 Rite of Passage Mass
 - o Year 12 Final Liturgy
 - o Yr 10 Transition Ceremony
 - o Yr 7 to 11 End of Year Mass
 - o Homeroom Prayers in the Chapel
 - o Small group Masses during RE classes in Our Lady of the Mount Chapel



Johanna Smith | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission





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IGGY PARK DEADLYS

2019 Iggy Park Deadlys

The 2019 Iggy Park Deadlys took place last night in the Hall and again the night was a success.

This was an opportunity for the College community to celebrate the year IPC has had moving forward with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education, and with the progression of Reconciliation in our community.

Highlights of the event included the performance of the Wulgurukaba Walkabouts Aboriginal Dance Troupe, the IPC Torres Strait Islander Dance Troupe, performer Mitch Tambo; as well as a number of students who were recognised for their contribution to the College Indigenous Programs.

Congratulations to Trent Laffin (11 Treacy) who was awarded the Ergon Energy Career Aspirations Award, Tai-Reece Hill (11 Treacy) who was awarded the QATSIF Leadership Award and Ethan Kelvin (12 Reid) who was presented with the Lochlan Kennedy Deadly Bala Award for 2019.

Andrew Kirkpatrick | Program Leader - Indigenous and Multicultural



Reef Guardians

This term Reef Guardians are completing a variety of activities to support the Reef HQ Turtle Hospital. Last week students were given the opportunity to hold a bearded dragon lizard or a turtle for a small gold coin donation. Below are some pictures.

Fleur Hislop | Reef Guardian/Teacher



From the Deputy Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been wonderful to see the efforts from the students and staff already this term in the classroom. I am continuing the process of classroom walkthroughs, and I have noticed the enthusiasm of students to get to the end of the subject with some positive results! As someone who keeps a close eye on staffing, I can assure you that our commitment towards consistency and development of teaching staff is a high priority at the College.

Townsville Eisteddfod

Over the Term 3 break, a number of our students were involved in the Townsville Eisteddfod. I want to congratulate all of the boys involved for their participation this year. Our students continue to excel in the Arts dimension of the College. Ignatius Park College Year 10 Film, Television and New Media students submitted photographs into the Townsville Eisteddfod. Congratulations to Braydon Glover and Lachlan Bourke who were awarded first and second place respectively. Braydon was also awarded the Townsville Bulletin Senior Photography Encouragement Award.

One of our big hopes at the Townsville Eisteddfod were the Ignatius Park College Senior Drama group who performed their adaptation of Six Angry Pigs: An Incomplete Jury. Year 11 Director, Declan Keyes-West and teacher Mrs Fleur Hislop had spent hours fine-tuning the Year 11 Drama students ready for the competition. Congratulations to Declan, Fleur and the team from Year 11 Drama who won the Senior Drama division.

Brendan Stewart | Deputy Principal



YEAR 8 PASTORAL EVENING



**COUNTRY AND WESTERN BUSH DANCE
ST MARGARET MARY'S COLLEGE,
BENEDICTINE PLACE
FRIDAY, 18 OCTOBER | 6:30PM**

**FREE ENTRY. TICKETS REQUIRED -
PLEASE SEE PASTORAL OFFICE.**

FOOD AND DRINKS PROVIDED.

WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER
WEAR PINK TO RAISE MONEY FOR
BREAST CANCER RESEARCH.
HOT CHIPS, DRINKS AND CUPCAKES
ON SALE.

HOT CHIPS: \$3 DRINKS: \$2 CUPCAKES: 50 CENTS
COMBO: CHIPS AND DRINK \$4

IGGY GOES PINK!



Enrolments for 2021 and 2022 are now OPEN

Our online enrolment application can be found here:
www.ipc.qld.edu.au/enrolment/online-enrolment/

We encourage families with siblings of current students and son's of 'Old Boys' to complete their enrolments promptly.

Year 7 Interschool Football (Soccer) Trials

Trials for Year 7/8 Interschool Football (Soccer) will be held at lunchtime Friday 18 October.

Go to Field 2. See Mr Deer or Mr Pearce for information.

Competition commences in Week 3.

Annette Gregory | Science Laboratory Assistant





Counselling

Queensland Mental Health Week was celebrated throughout the College focussing on the theme Take Time for your well-being. Six simple strategies were promoted to students and staff through a PowerPoint presentation in their year group meetings, and posters around the College. Activities throughout the week included quizzes, lunchtime meditation and culminated in a coloured clothes day and sausage sizzle on Friday with funds going to Headspace. The key message for students is that “It Ain’t Weak to Speak” and they were encouraged to check in with their mates with “R U Ok?”.

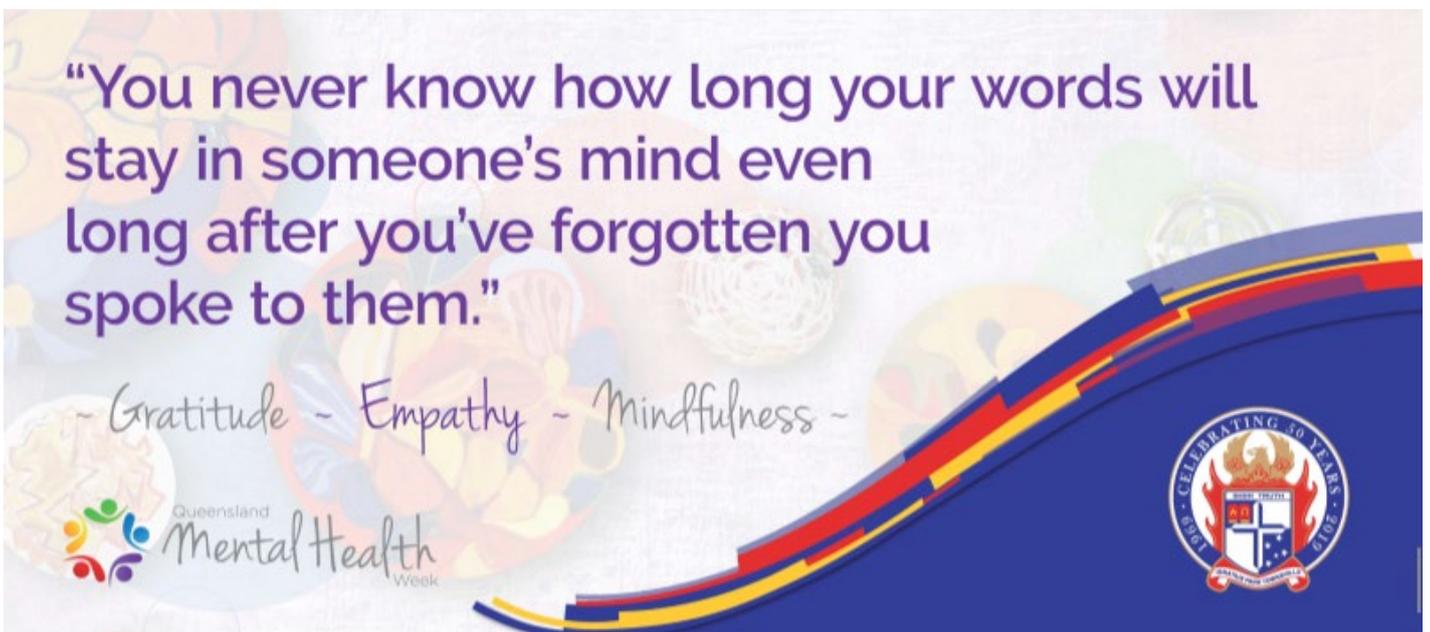
Mrs Marilyn Parsons and Mrs Dannielle Charge | IPC Counselling Team

Healthy Minds Project

Our Healthy Minds group of Year 10 students was formed earlier in the year for 2019, based on the success of the first group last year.

Along with several other Townsville schools, Mr Mc Mahon, Mrs Parsons and the group attended two workshops facilitated by presenters from Unleashing Personal Potential for Education. It covered promoting healthy minds and well-being in our own schools. Our Healthy Minds students launched their project in Mental Health Week, placing signs around the College with positive inspirational messages drawn from the students and staff with themes of Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness. This further enhanced the work of the Resilience Project from last year.

Mrs Marilyn Parsons and Mr Patrick McMahon



Grill'd Fairfield Waters Fundraising

During the month of October, Grill'd Fairfield Waters will have the IPC Immersion as part of their Local Matters charity fundraising. Simply go in, buy a burger, get a token and place it in the jar marked Ignatius Park College. We will then donate any monies raised to St Mary's in Kolkota.



St Mary's supports a range of projects that provide food and clothing to the homeless. One of these projects is St George's school for children from disadvantaged backgrounds which is one of the few special education schools in the city. They do incredible things for children with special needs with very little support. The photograph (right) is a picture from our last visit to St George's.

Patrick McMahon | Identity and Mission Coordinator - Faith in Service

Uniform Shop

Open Monday, 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.



Calling All Volunteers

Please register your interest to assist the back to school Uniform Shop during January.

Opening times will be between 18 – 24 January 2020. Can you help?
This is a great opportunity to skip the queue!!

Please email your interest to Larissa.Moule@IPC.qld.edu.au. Thank you!

Larissa Moule | School Officer - Uniform Shop

50 Year Merchandise

Celebrate our 50 years with our special celebratory merchandise available at the Uniform Shop

Ties - \$20 Keyring - \$10 Lanyard - \$5 Stubby Cooler - \$8

Please email larissa.moule@IPC.qld.edu.au for any uniform enquiries.





Ignatius Park College
Cordially Invites
Parents, Sponsors and
Students to

2019 RUGBY LEAGUE AWARDS NIGHT

Tuesday
at 6:00pm

OCT
29

IPC
Edmund Rice Hall

Special Guest

NRL Player, Indigenous All Star
and First XIII Captain
Anthony Mitchell

All Age Groups from Year 7 - First XIII will be recognised
Please stay afterwards for refreshments



LEAD AUDITIONS



LOGO CREATED AND DESIGNED BY MAGGIE TAFT AND HARRY BOGOSIAN

WHERE: IGNATIUS PARK COLLEGE (DRAMA ROOM)

WHEN: TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER 2019

WHO: LEAD VOCAL AND ACTING AUDITIONS 4:00 - 5.30PM

WITH LEAD DANCE AUDITIONS 5.30 - 6.30PM

CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE FOR AUDITION MATERIALS.

CALLBACKS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER 4:00 - 5.30PM IF REQUIRED.



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Suburban Parks Cricket Club

is looking for junior cricketers for the 2019/20 season.

The club trains and plays at the amazing Riverway complex so we are very lucky.

Looking for Under 11, Under 13 (year 7) and Under 15's.

Please contact Ben Payne on 0407 748 837

Suburban Parks



Cricket Club Inc.

THE REDBACKS

MYER
TOWNSVILLE

CHARITY DINNER

HOSTED BY GLENN 'MINTY' MINTERN

FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER, 6.30 FOR 7PM
THE PIER, SIR LESLIE THIESS DRIVE

DINNER & DRINKS, \$120 PER TICKET
3 COURSE MEAL + 3HR DRINKS PACKAGE
LUCKY DOOR PRIZES + SILENT AUCTION

RSVP TO DEBORAH BARRETT ON 4779 3332

All proceeds go to Althea's Angels

A logo for Althea's Angels featuring a black and white illustration of an angel with large, feathered wings, holding a child.

*Althea's
Angels*

When no one else can be there
for our children... We are.