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 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 Wulgurukaba People today.

Dear Parents and Carers

This week the Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability has had its public hearings in Townsville. The Commission is spending the week focussing on learning and education issues facing Australians with a disability. All children and young people in Australia have the right to an inclusive education, but a lack of understanding of what this means, combined with frequent misuse of the term, can stop this becoming a reality.

Inclusive education at Ignatius Park College is about our students learning, growing and flourishing together, accepting the unique gift of each individual. Inclusive education at our College reflects our EREA Touchstones where every student is created in the image of God and has the right, without exception, to be included in our College educational setting. As a College community we are all called to adapt our environment and teaching approaches to ensure genuine and valued full participation of all students. At the College, we endeavor to embrace human diversity that welcomes every student as equal members of our educational community.

At Iggy Park, we are committed to the growth and development of each individual student where all are included irrespective of their learning background. Next year the College will employ a Student Diversity Co-ordinator who will coach and co-teach with teachers in developing inclusive pedagogy that is tailored to the individual needs of the learner.

Br. Paul Oakley, President of the EREA Council stated last month on the twelfth anniversary of the establishment of the EREA:

The theme of this year’s Children’s week, which is celebrated around Universal Children’s Day held on the fourth Wednesday of October in Australia, is the right of every child to good health and well-being. For us in Edmund Rice Education Australia this has a special importance as our mission is to bring the fullness of life to the children and young people entrusted to our care.

The challenge for us is not just an internal one because the Universal Children’s Day also “calls society to a greater response to the plight of many millions of children about the world who are denied the basic necessities of a happy childhood, and the education to develop their capacities. It also calls us in Australia to consider those conditions in society which affect the lives and future of our own children.”

Last Thursday the Townsville Catholic Diocese celebrated the Ordination of Fr Emene Kelemete. Fr. Emene is an old boy of Ignatius Park College and graduated from the College in 1997. It was his request to celebrate this important vocation at the college, as it was a place that nurtured his faith and provided him the moral compass of life. Thank you to all members of our College community who attended this wonderful celebration of the Tokelau culture, and his commitment to serve Christ for the people of the Diocese.

A link to this wonderful celebration can be found HERE.
Last Saturday I attended the Rowing Presentation Evening for Ignatius Park College, St. Margaret Mary’s College and St. Patrick’s College. It was wonderful to see over 120 people attend this event, celebrating an extremely successful year for the rowers. Congratulations to the following rowers who won awards:

- Junior Rower of the Year - Sonny Crawford
- Captain’s Cup - Zachary Judge
- Most Improved - Ethan Sampson
- Clubman - Atticus D’Mello
- Crew of the Year - Jack Gilmore, Zachary Skipp, Eden Mordike, Reilly Williams and Atticus D’Mello
- Rower of the Year - Zachary Skipp

Thank you to the parents who generously organised the presentation evening which was a fitting finale for what has been the best rowing season for Ignatius Park College.

The Independent Education Union (IEU) has commenced protected action at Ignatius Park College today. The action taken is partial work bans on taking supply lessons, meetings and supervision of yard duty. The College has been working in a spirit of encouraging “collaborative school relationships” with the union, and ensuring the potential bans have minimal impact on students and their learning.

The College will continue as per normal during the bans, and contingencies have been put in place to ensure students are safe and are supervised in all lessons. As a College we will endeavor to ensure that the proposed partial work bans will have minimal effect on your son’s learning, and the college will continue to operate within its normal structure. If you have any concerns with the potential action taken by the IEU members, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College. If further substantive action is to be taken, I will notify you in writing.

This Monday is Remembrance Day or Armistice Day. On this day on 11 November at 11.00am, one hundred and one years ago in 1918, the Armistice was signed. This signified the end of fighting of the “War to end all Wars”, or as we know it World War One. During this battle 416,00 Australians volunteered to fight overseas of which 212,773 were injured and 53,993 were killed or died from their wounds. Next Monday our College community will commemorate this day with a one-minute silence at our assembly.

Lest We Forget.

\[ \text{They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:} \\
\text{Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn;} \\
\text{At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,} \\
\text{We will remember them.} \]

Live Jesus in our Hearts Forever.

Shaun Clarke | Principal
Identity and Mission

Prayer for All Souls Day (Celebrated by the Catholic Church on 2 November)

Merciful God, we are called to remember those who have died, particularly those who have died in the past year, and pray for their joyful reunion with you, their loving creator. As your son taught us to call the stranger neighbor, our fallen are many. Names we will never know, voices we have never heard, in lands we may never visit, yet brothers and sisters all.

For victims of war, caught in the crossfires of conflicts we could not quell, for soldiers and civilians, adults and children, we pray … Grant eternal rest, O Lord.

For those migrants who have died seeking a haven where they hoped to find safety and opportunity for themselves and for their families, we pray … Grant eternal rest, O Lord.

For victims of hunger, denied their share in the bounty you have placed before us, we pray … Grant eternal rest, O Lord.

For victims of AIDS, Malaria, Ebola, and other infectious diseases, who died before adequate care could reach them, we pray … Grant eternal rest, O Lord.

For those refugees seeking asylum from war, who died in a land that was not their home, we pray … Grant eternal rest, O Lord.

For victims of emergencies and calamities everywhere, who died amid chaos and confusion, we pray … Grant eternal rest, O Lord.

Lord, as you command, we reach out to the fallen. We call on you on behalf of those we could not reach this year. You raised your son from the dead that all may share in his joyful resurrection. In Jesus’ name, we pray …

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
May perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen

Socktober

Last Friday, Ignatius Park College teamed up with St. Margret Mary’s Catholic College to participate in Socktober. Socktober invites children to engage with developing world issues through the language they understand best – play! The students were challenged to ‘Sock it to Poverty’ using the international game of soccer and shooting goals with their own hand-made recycled ‘Sockerballs’. This experience of how soccer is played in the countries supported by Catholic Mission also builds on the Pope’s recent initiative: ‘Sport at the Service of Humanity’.

The students found it challenging, but a great afternoon was had by all. We would like to thank St. Margaret Mary’s Catholic College for coming to Ignatius Park College to participate in this event.

Upcoming Masses and Liturgies

Every Wednesday morning, 8am – Mass in Our Lady of the Mount Chapel
• 8 November – Year 12 Rite of Passage Mass** (Please note the change of date)
• 15 November – Year 12 Final Liturgy
• 29 November – Year 10 Transition Liturgy (P3 – Parents are welcome, students will be dismissed from the Hall)
• 29 November – Year 7 to 9 Christmas Mass
• 29 November – Year 11 Mass (P4 – students will be dismissed from the Chapel)
• 4 December – Staff Mass

Johanna Smith | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission
St Paul's College video

St Paul’s College, Adelaide, sent us this video congratulating our College for our 50 years. Thank you!

CBC Fremantle

Thank you to CBC Fremantle for this video congratulating Ignatius Park College for its 50th anniversary.

CBC Fremantle is a Catholic school for boys in the Edmund Rice tradition, from Year 7 to Year 12.

BUY A BRICK

$25 FUNDRAISING FOR THE COLLEGE

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF IGNATIUS PARK COLLEGE
**Excursion to the Palmetum**

Last week Mr McMahons Year 9 Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) class went to the Palmetum to get real world experience of their current unit ‘Biomes’. The Palmetum has a range of habitats to suit flora originating from the dry topics through to the wet tropical lowlands. In addition to the recreated habitat types, there are expansive lawns and water features frequented by numerous bird species. This excursion allowed the students to use their knowledge of Biomes from class, and see it applied in a real world setting. A big thanks also goes to Teacher Aide, Michael Parker, for his support during the excursion.

Patrick McMahon | Identity and Mission Coordinator - Faith in Service

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**Joyce Mayne IPC VIP Night**

The Ignatius Park College community is invited to a VIP night at Joyce Mayne. Joyce Mayne has an agreement with the College to not up-sell unnecessary devices and we have tested the devices they recommend on our network.

Allison Elcoate | Deputy Principal - Operations and Data Analysis

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**Remembrance Day**

Remembrance Day is next Monday, 11 November. We call on everyone to observe one minute’s silence at 11.00am to pay tribute to the men and women who have served, and are still serving in our Defence forces. Remember those who have died or suffered in conflicts, wars and peacekeeping operations.

A custom associated with Remembrance Day is the wearing of red poppies. Poppies were often the only sign of life across the blasted battlefields of the Western Front, and were a powerful symbol of lives lost through service to our country.

Please observe one minute silence on Monday, 11 November as a sign of respect and a time for reflection.

Leanne Mahoney | Defence School Mentor
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.

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 Saturday 18 – Friday 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!

Supporter Gear – Run out sale!!
Supporter shirts and chairs now only $20

Did you know?
IPC Track Pants for sporting events are available for $30
IPC Sports Socks
The good old favourites, are back in stock - $10

Larissa Moule | School Officer - Uniform Shop
QATSIF Graduation - Townsville Schools

IPC students were recently involved in the Queensland Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Foundation (QATSIF) Senior Graduation Ceremony for Year 12 students in Townsville.

This event was held at James Cook University and supported strongly by the Indigenous Education & Research Centre at JCU. The ceremony was an opportunity for QATSIF to acknowledge the 2019 Graduating Students from the region, with IPC having four students who were involved in QATSIF. This foundation provides support to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students in Years 11 and 12 across the state. IPC has held a strong relationship with the foundation for many years.

Andrew Kirkpatrick | Program Leader - Indigenous and Multicultural

CEO Indigenous Graduation

The Townsville Catholic Education Diocesan Office recently acknowledged the graduating Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students across the diocese with a small Liturgy held at the Sacred Heart Cathedral.

IPC students were in attendance with other school and were blessed by Bishop Tim Harris.

Andrew Kirkpatrick | Program Leader - Indigenous and Multicultural

Vinnie's Christmas Appeal

For many people, Christmas is all about family. Spending time together, sharing a meal and creating meaningful memories. These moments are precious. But what if you couldn't provide a meal for your family, a present, or even a home? This is the reality many Australian families face this Christmas. This year Ignatius Park College have decided to support the Vinnie’s Christmas Appeal by donating presents ($10-$15) for teenagers. As the parents of teenagers yourself, you know what they want! Each house will be collecting donations up until Friday, 22 November.

Some suggestions are:

- Baillie: Bluetooth Speaker
- Carew: Metal Water Bottle
- Putney: Gift Voucher
- Rice: Gift Voucher
- Reid: Decorative Stationary
- Nolan: Sporting Equipment
- Treacy: Makeup/Hair Accessory

Please give your donations to your Pastoral Leader. Your support for this worthwhile cause is greatly appreciated.

Patrick McMahon | Identity and Mission Co-ordinator - Faith in Service

2020 Stationery List and Graphic Calculator

For information on the 2020 Stationery List and Graphic Calculator please click HERE.
Rowing Awards Dinner

The IPC Rowing Team joined with St Margaret Mary’s College and St Patrick’s College to celebrate the end of the 2019 Rowing season with an Awards Dinner. It was a great opportunity to thank the many parents, coaches and teachers that contribute to the success of the Rowing program. This year, IPC had its most successful Rowing season ever, and the Awards Dinner was a great way to recognise the outstanding achievements of the entire squad.

Major Awards:
- Junior Rower of the Year – Sonny Crawford
- Most Improved Rower – Ethan Sampson
- Captain’s Cup – Zachary Judge
- Clubman of the Year – Atticus D’Mello
- Crew of the Year – Yr 10 Quad/Four (Jake Gilmore, Zachary Skipp, Eden Mordike, Reilly Williams, Atticus D’Mello)
- Rower of the Year - Zachary Skipp

Congratulations to all the Award winners and to everyone involved in the rowing program.

Zachary Judge | IPC Rowing Captain

Old Boy Success

Henry McKinnon was a proud IPC Rugby Union Man and playing throughout his time here at the College. Henry toured to the Somme battlefields and throughout Ireland and the UK on the 2015 Rugby Union Tour. During his time at the College Henry billeted a number of international students and has managed to keep in touch with them – making lifelong mates.

Here is a extract from his last email to me – good work Henry in experiencing the many opportunities billeting, touring and playing rugby union can offer.

Hey Mark, I thought I would keep you updated. The Rugby here in Scotland has been amazing. The cultures, standard of Rugby and people - it has been a great experience so far. I play both 1st and 2nd team for Dumfries. The 1st are on top of the table of the National Two League. The 2nds are sitting 3 or 4 in the West Side League.

Over the weekend I revisited Kirby Lonsdale and stayed with the family that hosted me on the UK tour and when their son came to Australia I hosted him. It was really great to catch up as I also met with a lot of the boys I played against. Please pass this message on to Mr Alloway and again thank you for organising the tour.

I do hope the tour continues so other people can take the same opportunities as I did.

The photo is of Dan Smith and myself. A now lifelong friendship because of rugby

Mark Moxon | Teacher
Homestay

RUGBY LEAGUE

Are you interested in providing Homestay in 2020?

Homestay families accommodate a young man from out of town attending IPC to play Rugby League

Many of these young men are unable to access the development in rugby league that IPC offers

Homestay families will be compensated by the student’s family

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT
GARY COOK - GARY.COOK@IPC.QLD.EDU.AU
STEVE LANSLEY - STEVE.LANSLEY@IPC.QLD.EDU.AU

Where: OSHC at Currajong State School
Entrance: via Tippett St, Currajong
Time: Thursday fortnightly 9:30am – 11:30am

Please bring food, beverages, a change of clothes and hat for your child/children

Contact Jane or Michelle if there are specific needs or requirements to assist you and your family to maximise the most from the sessions P: 0439182567 or 4759 2000

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