



Ignatius Park College Newsletter

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**Ignatius
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From the Principal

Dear Parents, Friends and Caregivers

The Ignatius Park College Community would like to humbly acknowledge the Wulgurukaba peoples on whose land our College is located, as well as the Bindal peoples on whose land many of us live and travel across daily. We respectfully thank the elders of this traditional land both past and present for guiding us through the journey of time to where we are today. This spiritual and cultural journey is significant in allowing the freedoms our society has today. As a community we reflect on the history of Australia and its First Nations peoples and ask all elders to guide us to a promising and enriching future. As a community we will continue to develop our minds to be respectful and learn from Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders as well as all people who make up this country of Australia.

Happy New Year everyone. Can we still say that in late January?

Welcome back to our students and families for our 2020 academic year and the commencement of a new decade. In particular, I would like to welcome over 230 new students and families to our Ignatius Park College community. I hope your holidays were relaxing and a fun-filled few weeks without the busyness of the day to day routines of term time.

Over the last two days I have been greeting students as they arrive back to school. It was an absolute joy to witness an authentic expression of 'inclusive community' as our students walked onto the school campus, reconnecting established relationships and embracing and becoming acquainted with those new to our context. Of significant importance in that moment was the positive and powerful way, through our Touchstones, we model the Gospel values to be there for the other, to welcome the stranger and to share our story. The qualities we instill daily within the boys, calling them to be young men who live our motto 'Seek Truth', and to be 'Brother.' Brother Phillip Pinto (Former Congregational Leader of the Christian Brothers) stated that, *Hidden in the word brother is the word other, indicating that the call to brotherhood is a call to reach out to the other in a way that is life giving for the giver and the receiver.*"

Another year begins with our Years 10 – 12 students undertaking the new QCE system and the Year 12s sitting external examinations for an ATAR score. Queensland has not had external examinations for subjects since 1972.

As we commence this year, it is important we remember the tragic end to 2019 and the beginning of the new year with the devastation and heartache of the bushfires across Australia. While I was in Adelaide during the holidays, I drove through the Adelaide Hills. I saw the impact of the ferocity of the fires that destroyed houses, vineyards, orchards and gum trees over 150 years old. It has been hard to process the scale of the impact. As a community of hope, compassion and social action, we are looking at ways we can engage our students, staff and families to raise funds, gather resources and buy local to offer support where it is needed. If there is anything that comes out of such events, it is the capacity of people who come together to support others.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs can be ordered online via
www.advancedlife.com.au
using the online code of
XGN L8P RBG
or by the returning the photography envelope your son has brought home.



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)

This year the 2020 College Theme is *Past – Present – Future*. This theme has been developed by our senior student leadership team to challenge our students to learn from their past, to grow and develop in their present and to use their past experiences to conquer their future. The students have redesigned the IPC Phoenix, holding a lantern in its beak, as a symbol of them leading the light of the future of the College. This symbol has important spiritual significance. The Phoenix, for our College, is a symbol of renewal and change. It represents Christ's resurrection. From ashes, the Phoenix is reborn to new life. The lantern, carried by the Phoenix, is Christ who guides us to live the Gospel values through our EREA Touchstones. The lantern is depicted in the Edmund Rice icon, representing Nano Nagle, who in Cork, Ireland, walked through the streets at night with the lantern burning bright, supporting young girls who were poor and oppressed by unjust structures. It was the work of Nano Nagle, in the neighboring county of Cork, that inspired Blessed Edmund Rice to bring education to the poor and also schools for boys in Waterford. The seven colours on the Phoenix represents our individual Houses who collectively stand united in solidarity against injustice in our world and reaches out to those on the margins. The scripture from Matthew (5:14), "You are the light of the world," challenges our College community this year, like Nano Nagle, to be the light of the world. To be the visible reality of Christ in our world through our attitudes and actions.



I would like to welcome the following staff to our College community:

Teaching Staff

- Dr Alexandra Bowman – Science Teacher joins us from Walford Anglican School for Girls in Adelaide and was a SACE examination marker and Biology teacher
- Mr Casey Raeside – Humanities and English Teacher, previously teaching at Thuringowa State High School
- Mr Chris Baily – Industrial Arts Teacher and was Leader of Trades at Kirwan State High School
- Mrs Kym Busby – Mathematics Teacher and has previously taught at Ignatius Park College
- Mrs Nicole Putscher – Program Leader – Inclusive Education and has taught as a Special Education teacher at Kirwan State High School and in the UK
- Ms Rebecca Ebelt – Faculty Leader – Mathematics and was Head of Mathematics at Blackheath and Thornburgh College
- Mrs Sandra Walton – Student Diversity School Officer and was a Senior Special Needs Teacher at Kirwan State High School
- Ms Tamara Apenis – Drama Teacher - who has been teaching previously in the UK
- Mrs Carolynne Gould-Stasse – Film and Television Teacher who has previously taught in schools in Western Australia
- Mr Simon Anderson – Humanities and RE Teacher who has taught previously at Ignatius Park College
- Ms Denise Weightman – Teacher who is replacing Mrs Katrina Guazzo for Term 1.

Ancillary Staff

- Mr Trevor Rethamel – Property Services Manager
- Mr Bill Mitchell – Teacher Aide – Inclusive Education
- Mrs Carolyne Drummond – Defence School Mentor
- Mrs Francis Hawkins – Teacher Aide – Inclusive Education
- Mrs Jennifer Vignale – School Officer – Admissions Assistant
- Mr Mark Stanford – Teacher Aide – Industrial Arts
- Ms Bonnie Ellis – CLT Assistant – Community and Staff Development
- Mrs Laural Brown and Mrs Laura Simpson-Helman - Library Teacher Assistants, and
- Mrs Jaime Ellis – School Officer - Finance

During the holidays we farewelled the following staff: Mrs Fleur Hislop, Mrs Trisha Forman, Ms Kaitlin McMahon and Mr Brendan Logan. Mr Logan has taught at the College for 19 years and was successful in gaining the position as a Wellbeing Coach for the Cowboys and Blackhawks. We thank these staff for their contribution to the College.

During our holidays our staff celebrated some important milestones with six students and three teachers participating in an immersion to India. Also, during the holidays Jared Mitchell (2020 College Captain) attended the EREA Student Leaders' Conference at Rostrevor College, Adelaide. Jared had the opportunity to meet with over fifty leaders in our EREA schools and had an opportunity to explore the challenges of being a leader and living the Touchstones authentically in our College

From the Principal (continued)

community. This year we look forward to Jared's leadership together with the College Vice Captain and Prefects.

Academically, the College achieved well with 78% of our OP students achieving an OP score between OP1 and OP15. This year we have some 98% of our 2019 Year 12s who were offered preference into courses at University which include Law, Education, Medicine, Physiotherapy, Engineering, Business, Arts, Occupational Therapy, Criminology, Information Technology and Sports and Exercise Science. In addition, we continue to experience success through our VET courses with a high percentage of our senior VET students obtaining employment through School Based Traineeships or work placement prior to leaving the College. I congratulate students on their results. I also wish to acknowledge the work of our staff in supporting our students.

Every year as a College we support the Edmund Rice Foundation with projects supporting those on the margins overseas. During the holidays I received the following letter from the Executive Director:

Thank you, Ignatius Park College, so much for your contribution to the Edmund Rice Foundation for support of our work in Liberating Lives through Education. ERFA's purpose is to support the education of the most vulnerable. For ERFA, the best education represents lifelong learning where skills are imparted and applied, lessons learned, and life skills mastered. ERFA's focus on education is not only in life changing education for children, but in skills such as financial literacy, farming, trades, health and human rights for adults. The link between education and empowered, self-sustaining and healthy individuals and communities is clear. The right education transforms and liberates lives, every day. Thank you for your generous contribution and for providing the gift of education to someone who truly needs it.

Further information on the mission of the Edmund Rice Foundation can be found on the following website <https://erf.org.au/>

As you may be aware, health authorities across the nation are currently responding to the emergence in Australia of the Coronavirus that has emanated from China. I have emailed a letter to all parents about the importance of monitoring the health of your son. The Commonwealth Department of Education has now provided updated fact sheets concerning the management of Coronavirus. The fact sheets can be accessed on the Department of Education website.

This year 2020 also marks the 175th anniversary of the opening of the first Catholic school in Queensland. The school was run by a lay couple and housed in an old Government warehouse in Brisbane where the Myer Centre is now located. We will further celebrate this event in Catholic Education Week later in the year.

Prayer for the Beginning of the Year

Lord Jesus,

We ask for Your help as we begin this new school year.

Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us.

Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open our heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

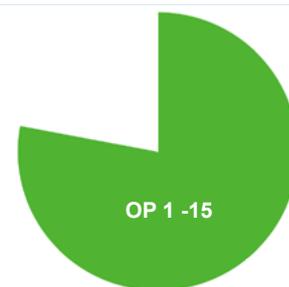
Give us a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with our studies and courage to accept new opportunities.

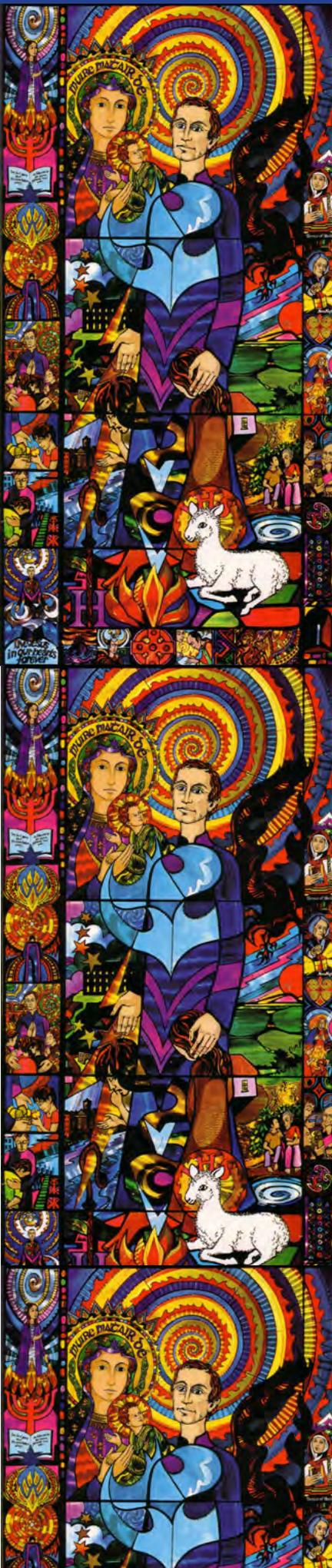
Help us to be attentive to one another and let us experience Your presence in our new friends.

Jesus, inspire us to do our best this year!

Live Jesus Forever in our Heart

Shaun Clarke | Principal





Identity and Mission

Prayer for beginnings

O God of beginnings, as your Spirit moved over the face of the deep on the first day of creation, move with me now in my time of beginnings, when the air is rain-washed, the bloom is on the bush, and the world seems fresh and full of possibilities, and I feel ready and full... AMEN

A sincere and warm welcome back to everyone. It is indeed a privilege to serve you as the Deputy Principal Identity & Mission. Please feel welcome at any and all of our community gatherings.

A reminder of our Touchstones:

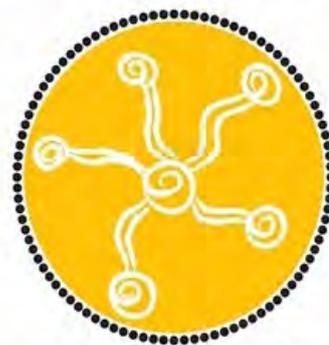
Inclusive Community



Liberating Education



Ignatius Park College offers a Liberating Education, based on a Gospel Spirituality, within an Inclusive Community committed to Justice and Solidarity.



Justice & Solidarity



Gospel Spirituality

Upcoming Identity Events

- Mass in Our Lady of the Mount Chapel – every Wednesday morning 8am
- Holy Spirit reading, Brooklea visits and Aitkenvale Breakfast Club – Beginning Week 3 - Permission Forms required – available from the Identity and Mission Office (Red Door)
- Year 12 Induction – 11.00am Tuesday 11 February (Week 3), Edmund Rice Hall
- Toast Room Launch, Shrove Tuesday 25 February (Week 5)
- Ash Wednesday Liturgy Wednesday 26 February (Week 5)

Johanna Smith | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission

The EREA Leadership Conference was held in Adelaide, South Australia at Rostrevor College.

On the four-day trip to Adelaide, I was provided various opportunities to grow as a person.

These opportunities were simple things that led me to become a stronger person. I attended with 52 students from all around Australia, meeting each other for the first time.

When I use the term 'simple things can lead to a stronger person' I mean a normal everyday occurrence like just saying hello to someone that you have never met before can be hard for some.

After everyone became comfortable with each other and made the initial connection, the experience was very rewarding. We were given group activities where we all shared opinions and discussed ideas for empowering others in and out of our respective school communities. By doing the group activities and listening to other people's opinions in different subjects, it gave me a better and stronger understanding on how to lead and how to portray myself.

The piece of knowledge that stuck with me the most from this journey was given to us by a teacher on the first day in the first session: *The standard that you walk past is the standard you accept.*

Jared Mitchell | College Captain



Curriculum

Curriculum News

To all of our new and returning families, welcome to the 2020 school year. My role as Deputy Principal – Curriculum and Data is focused primarily around the College Curriculum and student achievement. This is a role I have undertaken previously at other schools in the region and I am looking forward working closely with our staff, students and families to ensure that Ignatius Park College is delivering a high quality, inclusive curriculum that provides opportunities for all students to experience their own success.

At school - on time, all day, every day.

Several studies have shown that school tardiness, or being late, has a negative impact on student learning outcomes. By simply arriving late and missing school hours, students receive fewer hours of instruction than students who are in class when the bell sounds. For many students, it may not seem like a problem to dawdle or stroll to class and be a 'couple of minutes' late. However these 'couple of minutes' do add up in the scheme of things.

For example, if a student is typically 2 minutes late to each of their classes, he will lose around 60 minutes each week of lesson time. This adds up to approximately 37 hours across the school year. This loss in learning time can leave students feeling stressed and anxious, along with missing key information and content.

But not only does a student who is consistently arriving late to school and/or class establish bad punctuality habits, their tardiness also disrupts the learning of other students in their classes.

Students leaving early for the day also has a similar effect on learning outcomes. Students may feel that their afternoon class is less productive as they will be working on known content or working on assessment that they have completed. This is very seldom the case and students can lose the opportunity to gain valuable feedback, practice and learning experiences. We would ask all families, where possible, to try to limit appointments to after school hours.

It is important that we work in partnership to ensure that all students are at school – on time, all day and every day.

Assessment Overviews and Extended Assessment Periods

The 2020 Assessment Schedule is being finalised and will be distributed to students and families prior to Week 3. For families planning holidays, sporting trips and family/cultural celebrations, all major Extended Assessment Periods are indicated on the College Calendar available on our website at: www.ipc.qld.edu.au/community/calendar/

Abilities Based Learning and Education Support (ABLES)

Ignatius Park College has been selected to be a trial school for the Abilities Based Learning and Education Support (ABLES) program this year. We are excited to be part of this program, which has been successfully operating in Victoria for a number of years. ABLES is a curriculum assessment and reporting suite that allows teachers to assess the learning readiness of students with disabilities and additional needs; generates reports for individualised learning planning; provides guidance and strategies to help teach students based on their individual learning needs; is linked to the National and Victorian curriculum, with supporting resources; and tracks student progress and achievements over time.

ABLES also provides advice and strategies to inform inclusive classroom practices. The trial is limited to a small number of students in 2020, however, we are hopeful that, if successful, it will be expanded to include more students in the future. We will be keeping our families updated on the progress of this trial throughout the year.

Allison Elcoate | Deputy Principal – Curriculum and Data

VET

YEAR 11 INFORMATION SESSION (VET)

The VET Information Session will be combined with the Year 11 Information Night being held as outlined below. There will be important information shared with you and your son regarding his VET subjects and industry placement. Therefore, the attendance of you and your son is strongly encouraged.

Date: Wednesday 12 February

Time: From 6:30pm

Venue: Edmund Rice Hall

UNIFORMS

If your son is enrolled in any of the following courses, he will be required to wear the IPC workwear. This includes a hi-vis shirt and long pants that have been embossed with the IPC Crest and your son's name. These are available from our Uniform Shop.

- Certificate I Construction
- Certificate II Engineering Pathways
- Certificate II Resource and Infrastructure Work Practices
- Industrial Skills

If you ordered prior to the holidays the uniforms are now available for collection from the VET office. If VET uniforms have not yet been ordered, this will be required as a matter of urgency and may take approximately two weeks to arrive. No practical activities in the above subjects may occur without the appropriate protective uniforms being worn. If you have any concerns in regard to this, please email me – grant.rossiter@ipc.qld.edu.au.

WHITE CARDS

A mandatory requirement of the construction industry is that all workers, including industry placement students, undertake a General Construction Safety Induction prior to entering a construction worksite. Once the induction is completed students are issued with a White Card.

This course is compulsory for all students enrolled in Certificate I Construction, Certificate II Engineering Pathways and Certificate II Resource and Infrastructure Work Practices. Please note - students undertaking Certificate I in Construction will not be required to pay the fee for this course, as it is included in the subject. Other VET students not completing the Certificate I in Construction will be required to pay \$69 to complete the White Card course. It is a highly recommended and beneficial course in safety that has no expiry date. Once achieved, it never needs to be done again.

Important - Your son will not be placed on industry placement in a construction trade if he does not have a White Card. Various White Card courses will be conducted in February to enable boys to participate in industry placement starting in Week 7 (9 March).

INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

Students who are not ATAR eligible and completing VET Certificate courses/subjects, will complete four weeks of industry placement (work experience) each year. The 2020 dates are listed below.

Term 1	Week 7 Monday, 9 March to Friday, 13 March
Term 2	Week 8 Monday, 8 June to Friday, 12 June
Term 3	Week 7 Monday, 24 August to Friday, 28 August
Term 4	Week 5 Monday, 2 November to Friday, 6 November

If a Student Free Day falls in industry placement week, students are still expected to attend industry placement. Also, we ask that during these weeks your son is available to attend 'work' at the times required of him by his employers (obviously this will differ for each student). We would appreciate that appointments, part time work, sporting commitments etc. are not booked during these times. Our employers take our students on a volunteer basis and the less we inconvenience them, the better. We will talk more about this at the information session in February.

If your son is ATAR eligible, he will not be attending industry placement during school time but is welcome to do work experience during the holidays. He can see our Career Advisor (Mr Phillip Dembowski) or come to the VET Office for further information and the forms required to ensure all parties are covered by insurance etc.

VET IN 2020

This year has seen a record number of students enrolling into the VET program at IPC. We have approximately 60 Year 12 VET students and approximately 80 Year 11 VET students. Arranging 140 employers to provide industry placement each term will certainly be a challenge.

The placement process began last year and is usually completed by this stage. Unfortunately, this is not the case in 2020.

Whilst Mrs Owen, the VET Assistant, has found opportunities for the majority of Year 12s, we still need to source numerous places for Year 11 VET boys.

I'd like to thank those parents who assisted in finding their sons a placement, this is a massive help to our Department. We are working on finalising the process by mid-February. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to ensure that all students will be given their first preference as we have in previous years.

If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in joining our industry placement program as work experience provider, please contact julie.owen@ipc.qld.edu.au. Our popular occupations seem to be electricians, diesel fitters, plumbers and boilermakers.

We look forward to meeting the new VET families at the information session on Wednesday, 12 February. Last year was a very successful year with the graduating lads gaining apprenticeships and we look forward to working with our Year 12 families and assisting our seniors to attain qualifications and secure apprenticeships etc. throughout the year.

Grant Rossiter | Program Leader - Vocational Education and Training

Defence

Hello to all our Australian Defence Force families, and welcome to IPC for 2020.

I will be sending out a 'Welcome' email and giving new families a Welcome Package during the first two weeks with lots of great information about our community and resources available to you. If this email doesn't find you, then please contact me as soon as possible. My contact details are carolyne.drummond@ipc.qld.edu.au or telephone on 4796 0222.

Defence Community Organisation (DCO) are holding a 'Welcome to Townsville' information expo on Saturday, 8 February at Townsville Stadium, Murray Sports Complex Annandale from 10:00am-1:00pm. ADF families are invited to attend to learn about the services on offer in our region. There will be free children's activities, jumping castle, face painting and native wildlife from Billabong Sanctuary.

Carolyne Drummond | Defence School Mentor



Australian Government
Department of Defence



Welcome to Townsville!

Defence Community Organisation is hosting an information expo.

ADF members and families are invited to join us to learn about the services available in the region. You'll be able to register pets, transfer your driver's license, get information on transfer of vehicle registrations and change electoral roll details. You can also visit information stalls for community, sport and recreation groups, employment and recruiting agencies, and more.

With free children's activities, including a jumping castle, face painting and native wildlife from Billabong Sanctuary, there's plenty for everyone!

WHERE Townsville Stadium, Murray Sports Complex, Annandale

WHEN Saturday 8 February 2020, 10.00am–1.00pm

MORE INFO dco.townsville@defence.gov.au or 07 4753 6539
www.defence.gov.au/dco



Follow Defence Community Organisation to receive updates.

Homework Program

We start our Homework Program next week. Please see the schedule below:

Pudy Timbs | Learning Resource Coordinator

HOMWORK PROGRAM ROSTER

Ignatius Park College Library – 3.00pm to 4.00pm

TERM 1, 2020

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
2	3rd Feb Darren Spina (Maths/Science) Rohan Lloyd (English/History/RE)	4th Feb Steven Roberton (English/History/Legal Studies) Michelle Kenyon (Science/Hosp/RE)	5th Feb Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science) Cathy Ventic (Science) SENIOR STUDY : 4.00 – 7.00 pm Andrea Tarttelin (English) Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science)	6th Feb Pudy Timbs (English, Hosp)
3	10th Feb Darren Spina (Maths/Science) Rohan Lloyd (English/History/RE)	11th Feb Steven Roberton (English/History/Legal Studies) Michelle Kenyon (Science/Hosp/RE)	12th Feb Mackenzie Taylor (Maths) Cathy Ventic (Science) SENIOR STUDY : 4.00 – 7.00 pm Maree Oakley-Cogan (English) Grant Rossiter (Chem, Physics, Maths)	13th Feb Pudy Timbs (English, Hosp)
4	17th Feb Darren Spina (Maths/Science) Rohan Lloyd (English/History/RE)	18th Feb Steven Roberton (English/History/Legal Studies) Michelle Kenyon (Science/Hosp/RE)	19th Feb Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science) Cathy Ventic (Science) SENIOR STUDY : 4.00 – 7.00 pm Andrea Tarttelin (English) Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science)	20th Feb Pudy Timbs (English, Hosp)
5	24th Feb Darren Spina (Maths/Science) Rohan Lloyd (English/History/RE)	25th Feb Steven Roberton (English/History/Legal Studies) Michelle Kenyon (Science/Hosp/RE)	26th Feb Mackenzie Taylor (Maths) Cathy Ventic (Science) SENIOR STUDY : 4.00 – 7.00 pm Maree Oakley-Cogan (English) Grant Rossiter (Chem, Physics, Maths)	27th Feb Pudy Timbs (English, Hosp)
6	2nd March OPEN DAY	3rd March Steven Roberton (English/History/Legal Studies) Michelle Kenyon (Science/Hosp/RE)	4th March Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science) Cathy Ventic (Science) SENIOR STUDY : 4.00 – 7.00 pm Andrea Tarttelin (English) Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science)	5th March Pudy Timbs (English, Hosp)
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10	30th March Darren Spina (Maths/Science) Rohan Lloyd (English/History/RE)	31st March Steven Roberton (English/History/Legal Studies) Michelle Kenyon (Science/Hosp/RE)	1st April Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science) Cathy Ventic (Science) SENIOR STUDY : 4.00 – 7.00 pm Andrea Tarttelin (English) Mackenzie Taylor (Maths/Science)	2nd April Pudy Timbs (English, Hosp)

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Save the Date

5 March, 2020



Guest Speaker:

The Honourable Pru Goward is a former Cabinet Minister, Sex Discrimination Commissioner and was a pioneering television reporter with the ABC. Pru will give us her insights into the topic 'Respect for Women, Respect for All'.

RESPECT FOR WOMEN, RESPECT FOR ALL
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BREAKFAST
AT THE IGNATIUS PARK COLLEGE HALL

Join the Soroptimist Townsville Breakwater Club and Ignatius Park College in celebrating International Women's Day 2020.

To show their gratitude and their respect for all, the gentlemen of Ignatius Park College will be preparing and serving a delicious hot breakfast.

Your morning will include discussions with renowned guest speakers, panel debate from peers and students, as well as networking with schools and business communities.

Join us at 6am for a 6:30am Start.

#EachforEqual



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Townsville Breakwater Club

Tuckshop and Toast Room

The College Tuckshop and Toast Room is a very busy place making sure we meet the eating requirements of our students. If you would like to volunteer and meet other like-minded people, I would love to meet you. Some of our volunteers have been coming for many years and enjoy the social aspect of volunteering. Our community is certainly richer for their contributions.

The Tuckshop is a busy operation that is operated by College staff and volunteers. Volunteers are welcome to assist from 8.00am to 2.00pm but are especially required during our busy period 10.00am to 1.30pm each day. If you can offer any time, even just 30 minutes, it would be very much appreciated. You can be joined by a friend on the same day.

The Toast Room will be opening on Shrove Tuesday, 25 February, with pancakes and pikelets. If you would like to make/buy some pancakes or pikelets and deliver to the Toast Room, the boys would be very appreciative.

A significant number of College staff and volunteers assist with this co-curricular program. The Toast Room requires help from 7.30am to 9.00am. All students are welcome at the Toast Room to enjoy toast free of charge. Any donations of spreads (no nut products i.e. nutella or peanut butter) and margarine or a gold coin donation would be welcomed to assist with these costs. These may be sent in with your son.

If you are interested in joining our friendly Tuckshop or Toast Room team, please contact me to discuss your availability.

I look forward to meeting you and welcoming you into our college community.

Kay O'Connor | Tuckshop Convenor

Email: kay.oconnor@ipc.qld.edu.au Phone: 4796 0241

Peer Skills Program

National and international evidence confirms that young people often turn to their peers for support in difficult times, before they turn to parents, counsellors or school staff.

Kids Helpline developed the Peer Skills program in 1994 in response to this evidence and the knowledge that 12% of calls to its telephone counselling service were from young people concerned about their friends.

The Peer Skills (two-day) Workshop is designed to acknowledge and build on young people's natural skills and help them to more confidently and effectively help themselves and their peers with some of the issues that challenge them on a daily basis as well as in times of crisis.

Peer Skills implementation provides skills, knowledge and strategies to help young people to develop self-understanding and effective supportive relationships. Peer Skills strives to improve the wellbeing of young people by increasing skills that support respectful engagement with each other, families and communities; build capacity to cope and empower young people to confidently and compassionately support others.

We believe in the worth of young people and their capacity for effective engagement with each other, family and community.

Danielle Charge | School Counsellor

North Queensland Young Artist Camp

North Queensland Young Artists Camp is for aspiring young visual and performing artists interested in furthering their skills and meeting young like-minded people from around North Queensland. There are a variety of skills development areas on offer: Dance (with Dance North), Theatre (with Theatre iNQ), Song writing and music (with John Goodson), Circus (with Cajam), Visual Art/Street Art (with Diffraction Collective and the Dalrymple Community Cultural Centre), Technical and production (with the Youth Network NQ).



There are 100 spots available. The cost is \$50 per person. Accommodation is at the Arthur Tittley Centre in Charters Towers. Applicants will be assigned to one skill, based on their selection from first to last preference. There will be a public performance outcome on the final night at the World Theatre.

For further information and to complete an Expressions of Interest go to:

<https://theyouthnetworknq.org.au/nq-young-artist-camp/>

Kylie Tillack | Faculty Leader - The Arts, Creative Arts

Theatre Residency Week NQ

Applications are now open for Theatre Residency Week NQ.

Kylie Tillack | Faculty Leader
- The Arts, Creative Arts



THEATRE RESIDENCY WEEK NQ

Applications are now open

What?

Theatre Residency Week is an intensive theatre camp for students in years 9-12. Students live on campus at a boarding school and spend each day completing actor training with some of Queensland's best theatre artists. In the evenings, students are engaged in an exciting social and cultural program, including excursions to see live theatre and opportunities to network with like-minded young artists. In 2020, Queensland Theatre will join forces with TheatreiNQ and Kirwan State High School to deliver the camp in Townsville for the first time!

When?

Tuesday 7 – Saturday 11 July, 2020

Where?

The Cathedral School of St Anne & St James, Townsville

More?

Visit queenslandtheatre.com.au/trw for more information and to apply



Rugby Union

Boys are recommended to consider joining Brothers Junior Rugby Union. The club provides:

- Value for Money – Hands down the Best Valued Team Sport in Townsville. \$280 and you receive:
 - Mouth Guard (no out of pocket cost); Playing Shorts; Playing Socks; Playing Jersey (at end of season);
 - Registration and Insurance; and Season Gate pass, which provides unlimited access to all TDRU games throughout the season
 - Sibling Discount - 25% discount for registering with your brother or sister and 40% for 3 of you in the family playing rugby for Brothers;
 - Registration – message our Facebook page OR email now registrar.bjruc@gmail.com
- Training - All training will be between 5.00pm and 6.00pm at Ignatius Park School Oval.
- Season Starts - 28 February 2020
- Season Ends – finals are in August 2020
- School Holidays – No rugby during the school holidays

Mark Moxon | Teacher

Swimming

Students that are interested in nominating for the Northern School Sport Swimming team are required to complete one of the attached forms.

Nominations close 4 pm Wednesday the 4 February.

Nomination forms can also be collected from the Sports room in the cultural block at the College.

Completed forms need to be returned to the Sports coordinator or may be left at the front office at the College

[Swimming Nomination Information and Form 10-12 years Download File](#)

[Swimming Nomination Information and Form 13-19 years Download File](#)

John Alloway | Program Leader - Sport



townsville hockey EXPO

**SAT 8th
FEB 2020
4PM-6PM**

TOWNSVILLE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
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For more information contact Townsville Hockey on 4778 4810 or info@townsvillehockey.com

HOCKEY EXPO

Come along to our fun, entertaining and family friendly Hockey Expo! Sign on with a club and involve your entire family in our safe and active sport. Activities and games for all ages.

ACTIVITIES

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MINI STICKS

Learn Hockey in our Mini Sticks Programs that run with in term-time's year-round!



SIGN ON!

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DOES YOUR CHILD NEED A COMPUTER OR HAVE A SCHOOL CAMP/TRIP OR SPORTING COMPETITION NEXT YEAR?

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February start- receive matched \$\$ in December 2020

March start- receive matched \$\$ in January 2021

You could potentially have \$1000 to access (you save \$500 and we match you up to \$50 per month for your savings after 10 months – no withdrawals) to help pay for your children's educational costs. Wouldn't it be great to take control of your financial situation and learn new skills on how to budget and save? Allow me to introduce you to the

Saver Plus Program!!

To be eligible you must be able to tick **all** of the boxes in the criteria below:

- I hold a Centrelink Health Care Card or Pension Concession Card & receive an eligible payment
- I have children at school now or starting next year, AND/OR I am attending vocational education myself at TAFE or Uni.
- I have some form of income from paid work, (myself or a partner)
- I have **not** received matched funds from completing Saver Plus already

For further information, please contact me ASAP:

Nikki Storey, Saver Plus Coordinator

Call – 0418 201 533 OR

SMS your name to - 0418 201 533

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is funded by the Australian Government



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www.rmhc.org.au/programs/learning-program



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MyTime

MyTime is your time

MyTime is a local parent support group that runs **fortnightly** providing time for parents to reset, unwind, socialise and gain support while the children are supervised

Where: OSHC at Currajong State School via Tippett St, Currajong

When: Every second Thursday during the School term 9.30am - 11.30am

Term 1 Program

- 6th February | Coffee and Cake social morning
- 20th February | Guest Speaker **Natalie Arnel**, Psychologist and Play Therapist
- 5th March | Guest Speaker **Natalie Daly**, CYMHS
- 19th March | Guest Speaker to be announced
- 2nd April | End of term lunch

Contact us today

1800 Cootharinga (1800 266 842)

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PlayConnect Playgroups

PlayConnect Playgroup an inclusive playgroup for all children with a focus for families of children aged 0-6 years with **developmental delays or Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)** in communication, behaviour or social skills



PlayConnect is a welcoming place and a great way for families to connect with others, share knowledge and experiences and make friends in an environment of fun and mutual understanding.

It is **FREE** to attend and is an early intervention strategy funded by the Federal Government. More information is available at www.playconnect.com.au.

Children do not require a formal diagnosis or referral to attend.

PlayConnect is a playgroup for the whole family and siblings and carers are also welcome and included at PlayConnect.

Where: Currajong State School OSHC, Tippett Street, Currajong.

When: Every Thursday (during terms) 9.30am – 11.30am

Next session: Thursday, 30th January 2020

Email: parentconnect@cootharinga.org.au

Phone: (07) 4759 2008 or 0439 182 567

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



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