



Ignatius Park College Newsletter

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From the Principal

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 and Torres Strait Islanders as well as all people who make up this country of Australia.

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

It only seemed yesterday that we commenced Term 3. I think the unusual nature of 2020 and the constant adjustments we have had to make has caused time to fly. I express my thanks to the community for your patience and ability to adapt. I especially thank our Year 12 students who have just completed their mock exams. For many of them, these are preparation exams for the External Exams to occur in November. There are so many things that students look forward to in their Senior year that have not been able to happen, or at least not in their usual form. Added to this, it is worth remembering that this was the class that were the first Year 7s in Secondary and the first to undertake the new Queensland Certificate of Education, with the ATAR system and the return of External Exams. With all that has happened, I have been so impressed with their resilience and fortitude. They have taken things in their stride, with good humour and strength of spirit. Congratulations to all our Year 12 students who have been excellent role models to our whole College community.

As we end this term, the completion of the academic year is rapidly approaching for our Senior students. Completing secondary education is a significant event in the lives of our young men. There will be mixed feelings across the cohort as some are looking forward to life after school with excitement, while for others there is a sense of apprehension. Soon they will leave the certainty of school life and embark on their future within society. Whatever the future holds for each of our graduates and we are confident that they have developed the necessary skills to successfully contribute to their community and to create their own future within it. As the intensity of completing the academic requirements of each course culminates in final assessments and examinations, there are also a number of key events that we look forward to in order to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2020. Although different, our Year 12 students will return next term to celebrate some important Rites of Passage events that include: Valedictory, Certificate Presentation at the Entertainment Centre and the Final Liturgy at the College campus. All these are important rites as we prepare our Year 12s to be proud 'Iggy Boys' - to venture beyond the College gates to make a positive difference in our world, remembering they are 'Brothers' forever.

"You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think." - Winnie the Pooh

The QCAA external examinations commence for ATAR students on Monday, 26 October. The external examination timetable is available on https://www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/downloads/senior/snr_ext_assess_timetable_2020.pdf



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)

In the last week, our grass area near the Brothers' House has been transformed into a professional putting green. It has been wonderful to see both students and staff using the green during lunch time, practising their putting skills. This green is the result of the meticulous care Mr Chris Rigano put into mowing, fertilising and resurfacing the green area. He is a curator extraordinaire and plans to develop other areas for our students, including lawn bowls and bocce. Thank you to Mr Rigano who has been mowing the green religiously every day.



Recently, the State Government has released a new training tool to assist parents and carers to deal with social media platforms if their children are targets of social cyberbullies. The eResources provide online training for parents with information on the behaviour of internet bullies and how they operate. As a College, in Child Protection Week last week, we offered a webinar on cyberbullying. More than 83,500 users have accessed this site to have tools to beat Cyberbullying. To connect with Parentline's cyberbullying training and eResources go to: <https://parentline.com.au/cyberbullying>

Congratulations to Mr Thomas Lucas who, this week, was recognised by the QCEC as a Highly Accomplished Teacher (HAT). In Queensland, only 73 teachers so far have accomplished this accreditation which recognises outstanding teachers for their expertise and their impact on colleagues and students. This recognition reflects Mr Lucas' high calibre of teaching, his preparation and his ability to ensure students excel in their learning outcomes. Mr Lucas' success in gaining his HAT displays his professionalism and commitment to delivering high quality learning. Well done!



Congratulations also to Mr John Alloway who is a finalist for the Queensland College of Teachers TEACHX Outstanding Contribution to Teaching Award. The Awardee will be announced, 29 October, 2020, as part of World Teacher's Day. We wish John well and thank Mr Mark Moxon, Mr Gary Cook and Mr Christian Quabba for their part in nominating Mr Alloway for this very prestigious Award.



Last week our TrailBurners competed in the Racing Shimano Marathon Grande Prix. Drew Roberts (Year 9) won gold in the U18, four-hour race. He rode some 76 kilometres and around a 2000 vertical metre climb. Also, Tyler Anderson (Year 10) completed a seven hour solo and won Gold. In this solo, he rode 52 kilometres climbed 1400 vertical metres. Congratulations to both boys and thank you to Mr Keith Spencer who coordinates our TrailBurners program.

The EREA has appointed Mr Vilton Crasto as the new Business Manager for Ignatius Park College. He has a Masters Degree and has his CPA. Vilton has had financial experience at James Cook University, Pricewater House, Townsville Hospital and moves to us from Townsville Enterprise Services. An appointment letter is linked <https://www.erea.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/BM-IPC-EREA-Announcement.pdf>. I would like to personally thank Mr Matthew Holland who has been Acting Business Manager for the last year following the departure of Mr Paul Fanning. Matthew has done a wonderful job over the past year with the finance team.

This week we farewell the following staff:

- Mr Simon Di Giacomo will be leaving Ignatius Park College after four years at the College. He has been successful in gaining a position in Brisbane with a large multinational construction company supporting their data analysis team. Mr Di Giacomo has been a wonderful gift to the College with his passion and creativity in both Science and Mathematics. We will miss his enthusiasm for learning and his ability to make any lesson exciting. We wish him all the best on his next endeavour beyond teaching.
- Mr Jye Spriggs (PE Support Officer) will also be finishing this week. He has been offered an opportunity to move to Brisbane and train with a professional triathlon squad starting at the end of the month. This is a great opportunity for him to live his dream and to train with a squad of this calibre. We would like to thank Jye for his work over the past 18 months in PE and will miss his presence here at the College.
- Mr John Alloway, Ms Marg Hodgson and Mr Dave Hodgson will be taking Long Service Leave in Term 4. We look forward to their return at the recommencement of the academic year in 2021.

As students and staff ready themselves for the Term 3 holiday break, I express my gratitude for the hard work of learning and teaching that has occurred so far this year. I hope all have an opportunity for some rest and nurture your soul. When we return for the final home stretch of 2020, let us do so with the focus and discipline that strives to achieve our very best in all things. Reminder to all parents and carers that school recommences on Tuesday, 6 October.

Live Jesus in our Heart. Forever.

Shaun Clarke | Principal

Highly Accomplished Teacher - Mr Tom Lucas

I have some tremendous news to share with you on behalf of Mr Thomas Lucas, one of our Science/Mathematics teachers.

This week, Tom has been recognised as a Highly Accomplished Teacher (HAT) in Queensland by the Queensland College of Teachers (QCT). We are very pleased for Tom, as there are only a handful for HAT and Lead Teachers (LT) who have been recognised in Queensland. HAT teachers are recognised as highly effective, skilled classroom practitioners who work independently and collaboratively to improve their own practice and the practice of his colleagues. Tom is a knowledgeable and active staff member of Ignatius Park College. The HAT qualification is recognised as a professional step up for teachers in Queensland. This stage of certification lasts five years.



The HAT and LT process conducted by the QCT is extensive. Tom has spent many, many hours mapping his work to the Australian Professional Standards for Teaching over the past 18 months. He has also had his lessons viewed by external reviewers and been involved in a number of teacher appraisals during that time. I know, having worked with Tom recently, that he has worked very hard for this and his students have benefitted from his development as a professional over the past 18 months.

Tom is a wonderful representative of the professionalism of our Ignatius Park College teaching staff. We look forward to other teachers at the College undertaking this process in the coming years – to be recognised as either Lead Teachers or Highly Accomplished Teachers.

Tom is one of the very few teachers in Queensland who has been recognised for these skills and attributes and I'm sure you will join with me in congratulating Tom Lucas (Highly Accomplished Teacher).

Brendan Stewart | Deputy Principal

Curriculum

Class Changes for Unit 3, Term 4

Typically, throughout Year 11, students will change subjects resulting in classes that are too big and some that are too small. In the old QCE and OP system, over the Christmas holidays between Year 11 and Year 12, our English, Mathematics, Religion and some elective classes were collapsed and/or expanded as the senior students progressed into their final year. This is the same in the new QCE system and with Unit 3 commencing at the beginning of Term 4, 2020, to minimise confusion or loss of class time, we will implement this change ready to commence on the first day back next term. The boys have been made aware of this change last year during subject selection and several times over the past three terms.

If your son is considering changing any of his subjects, this will be his final chance to do so prior to the commencement of Unit 3. Changes after this time will affect your son's eligibility for a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). We will open up for Year 11 subject changes from 15 September until 13 October. Subject change forms must be collected and returned to the Edmund Rice Office during this time period.

Over the September school break, all Year 11 students will be sent their Unit 3 timetable to their school email address to ensure that students are prepared for their first day of Term 4.

If you have any queries regarding this change, please contact the College Office.

Allison Elcoate | Deputy Principal - Curriculum

Science

Happy break from the IPC Science team!

Alyssa Deer | Faculty Leader - Science





Identity and Mission

Prayer for the Season of Creation

Creator of Life, At Your word... Earth brought forth plants yielding seed and trees of every kind bearing fruit. The rivers, mountains, minerals, seas and forests sustained life. The eyes of all looked to You to satisfy the needs of every living thing. And throughout time the Earth has sustained life...In your Wisdom, you granted a Sabbath; a blessed time to rest in gratitude for all that you have given; a time to liberate ourselves from vicious consumption; a time to allow the land and all creatures to rest from the burden of production. But these days our living pushes the planet beyond its limits. Our demands for growth, and our never-ending cycle of production and consumption are exhausting our world... During this Season of Creation, we ask you to grant us courage to observe a Sabbath for our planet... Teach us to be satisfied with enough... AMEN.

Toast Room

Thank you to the many volunteers who ensured the Toast Room opened this term. We will continue to need volunteers in Term 4. Please encourage your son to sign up with Mr McMahon.

House of Prayer Blessing of Pets

To celebrate World Animals Day and in honour of St Francis the Patron Saint of Animals, the House of Prayer is holding its annual Pets Liturgy on October 3 at 9.00am in Anderson Park (near Thomas Street entry). Fr Dave Lancini is presiding.

World Day of Prayer for Creation Retreat

Leading to the World Day of Prayer for Creation (September 1) and Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October), Catholics are encouraged to participate in a first-of-its-kind retreat. The "7 Days of Creation Reflection-Retreat" has been prepared by Columban priest Fr Charles Rue. A complete resource guide can be found on the ACBC website –

www.catholic.org.au



MacKillop Gate Ministry

Help newly released prisoners with essentials for the first 72 hours. Donate towels, shampoo, conditioner and soap. All donations, including cash, can be given to Mary MacKillop Parish. For more details, contact Pauline McGuire, pmcguire@tsv.catholic.org.au or Erin Jones, ejones@tsv.catholic.org.au.

Volunteers Needed

Mater Hospital is seeking expressions of interest to become a volunteer. Volunteering at Mater is a truly rewarding experience as we strive to ensure that Mater remains an organisation of compassion and excellence. If you are active, caring, friendly, sensitive to the needs of others and wish to give to your community then becoming a volunteer at Mater may be just the thing for you. Training is provided for this unique and rewarding role. If you feel this is for you please contact Dave de Witt on 0497 262 476 or email at david.dewitt@matertsv.org.au



Upcoming Events

- Thursday 17 September – End of Term Liturgy (Years 7 to 10 students and teachers only)
- Friday 18 September – STAFF End of Term Liturgy (all staff welcome).

Johanna Smith | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission

St Leo's Residential College Open Day

For any families with young men who may be looking to study in Brisbane next year, St Leo's Open Day is coming up soon.

St Leo's College Open Day will be held on Saturday 26 September, 9.00am – 3.00pm.

All of their great facilities will be open to view. They accept students from UQ, QUT, Griffith, ACU, CQU and USQ.

For those unable to make it, they have virtual tours on our website <http://www.stleos.uq.edu.au/live-on-campus/accommodation/>

Please contact them for more information on 07 3878 0600 or email registrar@stleos.uq.edu.au

Michelle Kenyon | Teacher



Year 8 Religion - Social Justice

This term in Year 8 Religion, we have been learning about Social Justice issues, with a focus on Refugees. Year 8 Baillie made posters to stand in solidarity with Refugees, saying "You are welcome" to displaced people coming to Australia.

Jodie Roberts | Pastoral Leader - Baillie House



Basketball

Best of luck to the Senior Basketball Team in the Champion Basketball School of Queensland tournament being conducted from Thursday to Sunday this week. The team is looking forward to defending their State Title from 2019.

Thank you to Todd and Sue Pearce (Page and Pearce) and Glenn and Toni Betts (Global Welding) for their ongoing support of the team.

Best of luck to the boys: Charlton Bird (Year 12), Joe Brosnan (Year 11), Thomas Carey (Year 12), Colby Finlay (Year 12), Hunter Finlay (Year 12), Rory Hawke (Year 11), Kobe Owens (Year 11), Trinity Parker (Year 11), Marshall Wilson (Year 11) and Luca Yates (Year 11). Coach: Charlton Offermans

Best wishes to Keenan Whitwam who suffered an ACL injury on the eve of the tournament. Keenan's presence on and off the court will be missed by team.

Gary Hughes | Teacher



Defence

The College is trying to create a list of all past students of the school who have served during conflict.

If you have any information to pass on, could you please contact me - carolyne.drummond@ipc.qld.edu.au.

Please let any friends or family members know who may have information to share with the College.

Carolyne Drummond | Defence School Mentor

Mountain Biking - TrailBurners

TrailBurners had the exciting Shimano Marathon Grand Prix last weekend. All competitors gave their all. Some highlights from the day:

- There was a fantastic effort from Drew Roberts in a duo team with past student, Darcy Cussen. The team received Gold in the U18 four hour race, which was 76km and around 2000 vertical metres climbing.
- Tyler Anderson hit the seven hour solo - that's crazy tough! He received Gold in the U18 7 hour race, well done! 52 km and 1400 vertical metres solo.
- Then the IPC Old Boy contingent of Lachie Spencer and Angus Woods won Gold in the U22 Four Hour Teams race. Great work men!

Overall, it was a fantastic day of racing for all involved. Thank you to all competitors and everyone who throws their heart and soul into mountain biking on a regular basis with our Trailburners Club.

Mountain biking challenges boys on a physical level, but also an emotional level due to the endurance involved. It's also really fun! Anyone interested should sign up by visiting <https://rockytrailentertainment.com/rocky-trail-academy/academy-townsville/>

Racing also is on this weekend at Douglas with the Enduro Downhill Race. The deal is the same - do the three trails as often as you like and PB it.

1. RnR 1,2 & 3
2. Ring Bark Frog-Tower link-Lower Taipan and Flow
3. Ridge line + Gravity Top to Bottom!

You can sign up even on the day.

Find out more here: <https://rockytrailentertainment.com/fox-superflow-sealed-by-stans/2020-events-qld/townsville/>

Keith Spencer | Teacher



NQ Under 15 Cricket Team

The following boys should be congratulated for being selected in the NQ Under 15 Cricket team:

Reece Foley
Connor Sadler
Christian Payne
Declan Murray
Casey Jeffree
John McLean

Jye Spriggs | Sports

Term 4 Year 7 and 8 Football

Interschool Football (soccer) for boys in Year 7 and 8 will commence in Week 3 of Term 4.

Trials will be held to form two IPC teams in the first week of Term 4.

Look out for an email and information in notices for details.

Annette Gregory | Science Laboratory Assistant



What's new at JCU
10 September 2020

Early Offers - ongoing until 21 October

In a year where the only certainty has been uncertainty, JCU is helping to remove some of the anxiety around university applications by continuing to issue Early Offers to Year 12 students right through to 21 October. If you know a student who you feel would be eligible, whether it be based on their academic performance, motivation, or talents, please encourage them to apply to secure their place at JCU in 2021.

Reminder: we'd like to remind guidance officers and students that when submitting QTAC applications students must include their Early Offer course as their first preference in order to secure their place at JCU. Students will additionally receive an offer via QTAC



Year 12 Early Offer Program
Click for more information



Get Fit! Small Fields Side Boards

Rally your friends, family and colleagues to get into Hockey! Register your social team to take part in our 8 week Summer 6's Competition. Enjoy our licensed Bar and meet new friends in a fun and entertaining atmosphere.

THAT'S JUST \$50 PER TEAMMATE!

Timings	Details	Costings
<u>Wednesday Night Hockey</u>	6 a side, quarter field Hockey with no goalkeepers!	Junior mixed \$300 per team.
Two timeslots:	Sideboards to keep the ball in play longer!	Senior Mixed \$420 per team.
5:45pm — 6:30pm		Corporate \$420 per team.
6:35pm — 7:20pm	2x 20 minute halves, 1 game a week. 8 week season!	To be paid at time of registration.
Two Fields:		Umpires paid per game!
Juniors—Billabong Field	Visit townsvillehockey.com for your team's registration form or contact us today!	Pitch-side Canteen/Bar
Seniors—Waterhole Field	office@townsvillehockey.com	



This World Mental Health Day selectability is inviting the Townsville community to

Take Time For Mental Health... On Your Bike

Now, more than ever, it is important for us to reconnect as a community, get active and shine a spotlight on mental health.

Our fun, family-friendly bike ride and BBQ brunch aims to help breakdown the stigma around mental illness and show the community that there are FREE and simple things that we can all do to boost our own wellbeing.

The event is also the official launch of our new 'On Your Bike For Mental Health' service.

There will be giveaways and lucky door prizes!



DATE: Saturday 10 October
TIME: 8.00am - 10.30am
LOCATION: Raintree Grove, Riverway (ride start / finish)
COST: FREE
REGISTER ONLINE AT
www.selectability.com.au

THE RIDE CIRCUIT

The ride follows the 3.7km circuit from Raintree Grove to the Weir School across Federation Bridge along the river crossing back via Vickers Bridge and returning to Raintree Grove.

World Animal Day highlights the plight of endangered species and encompasses all kinds of animal life. October 4th was chosen as World Animal Day as it is the Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of animals. It is not restricted to any one nationality, creed, religion, political belief or ideology, and is intended as a day of celebration for anyone in the world who cares about animals... ..

October 3rd 2020

Anderson Park 9:00 am
(under the magnificent cathedral of trees)
Access: 17 Thomas Street, Pimlico

Celebrant:
Fr. Dave Lancini

Humankind has not woven the web of life.
We are but one thread within it.
Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves.
All things are bound together. All things connect.
Native American - Chief Seattle

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be still and know that I am God

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Everyone welcome!