

### **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, Friends and Carers

Next Monday, our College will celebrate our Anniverary Mass. This will be the first time our whole College has come together for a Eucharistic celebration since the beginning of the year. The Mass will be presided by Bishop Tim Harris, Bishop of Townsville. It was this week, 51 years ago, that the students from Our Lady's Mount in Years 9 – 12 moved to a new campus called Ignatius Park College situated on the outskirts of Townsville. Building construction at Ignatius Park College began in early 1969 and the College became a reality through the vision of the Principal, Br. Reid. He was indebted to the support he gained from many members of the community such as boys and fathers who spent every weekend burning off plants, mowing areas and dreaming what this new College could be. Br Reid stated, "I dreamed of what might be, and asked why not? It was this dream shared by the College community that created the *Spirit of the College*."

The boys that moved from Our Lady's Mount not only changed their location, but also attended a school with a new name, wore a different uniform and were educated in new buildings. Irrespective of these changes, the boys brought with them an essential ingredient that was foundational to Ignatius Park and that is the 'Spirit of Edmund Rice'. A spirit that reflected the virtues of Blessed Edmund Rice which incorporated presence, compassion and liberation. Today these virtues are embedded in the Touchstones of a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition. At Iggy Park our motto of 'Seek Truth' calls us to live the touchstones of Gospel Spirituality, Liberating Education,

Inclusive Community and Justice, and Solidarity.

Since the establishment of Ignatius Park College in 1969 the world has changed along with the church. No longer are Catholic schools the bastions of the church-going faithful. Mass attendance no longer defines the population, be it within the school or the local community. Despite these changes, our challenge is to remain relevant to the needs of the modern world as well as being faithful to the Gospel. This year, our Year 12 students have developed a theme for 2020 entitled: *Past, Present, Future* that calls us to look back to our past, to acknowledge the presence today and to move forward with new responses and approaches. It is our Touchstones that allow us to connect all three.

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Monday 31 August - Lessons 5 and 6

Parents and Carers are unable to spectate due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Students are to wear Sports Uniform with sunscreen, hat and running shoes.



#### From the Principal (continued)

Iggy Park has always been and needs to continue to be:

- A place where the gospel comes to life every day
- · A place where justice is not only preached but practised
- A place where positive relationships are valued among students, staff and parents
- A place where we value not just excellence in education but excellence in spirituality
- A place where each member is valued and respected
- · A place where the gifts of least and the most are valued equally
- A place where reaching out to the poor and marginalised is essential to our existence

Our College is built upon formation in faith with a mission to strive to liberate the full potential of every student. Grounded in sound morals, our graduates become value-driven participants and leaders in our society as well as responsible stewards of our planet. In doing so, they become agents of the 'good news' that Jesus brings. Next week, at our Mass, we will celebrate the wonderful gift we have been given through the Edmund Rice Tradition. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, Parents and Carers will not be able to attend the Mass. The Anniversary Mass will be live streamed on Monday from 11.15am via Facebook.

Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish will be conducting a Sacramental Program this year to prepare young people for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Preparation will be concentrated over a shorter number of weeks than previously and will not involve school holidays. The Parish will provide all necessary training required. There will be no cost to the family. If your son has not received the above sacraments and you wish to join the program which is planned to begin within the next few weeks, please complete the registration form at the back of the Newsletter. Please email the form back to cathedralparish@tsv.catholic.org.au or rward@tsv.catholic.org.au

From next Monday, 31 August the Queensland Government has made changes to their Blue Card legislation. It is important that all members of our College community are aware of these changes related to volunteers and expiring of cards. Please read the changes that are included in this newsletter.

To assist our Year 12 students who will be finishing school at the end of the year, the Australian Government (Services Australia) has provided supportive information for school leavers regarding eligibility and access to payments and support services such as those available through Centrelink, Medicare and myGov; including how to find work in the Australian Public Service. Services Australia is aware that, in the current environment, school leavers are anxious about the future, so they have developed a new Centrelink student resource kit to provide students with an understanding of Centrelink payments that could be accessed after leaving school. The resource kit is available to be downloaded from the Services Australia website. https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/organisations/business/your-business-sector/education-and-training-providers/resources-school-leavers

An important part of our VET program is our work placements. This week over 140 senior students are participating in work placements around Townsville. These placements give our students real life experience in the workforce and allows them to clarify clear vocational pathways beyond school. Ignatius Park has a successful employment rate beyond the College in trades with over twenty Year 12 students already having School Based Apprenticeships. Thank you to both Mr Grant Rossiter and Mrs Julie Owen who work diligently to place our students.

Congratulations to both our Year 10 and First XIII Rugby League teams who won convincingly against Kirwan as part of the Aaron Payne Competition. Next week our First XIII will compete in the semifinal in Mackay. Our Interhouse Cross Country will occur next Monday. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, spectators will not be permitted. Best of luck to all Houses!

Live Jesus in our Heart. Forever.

Shaun Clarke | Principal

















#### **Identity and Mission**

#### Praying of blessing

May the strength of the wind and the light of the sun, the softness of the rain and the mystery of the moon reach you and fill you. May beauty delight you and happiness uplift you. May wonder fulfill you and love surround you. May your step be steady and your arm be strong. May your heart be peaceful and your word be true. May you seek to learn, may you learn to live, may you live to love and may your love be always. AMEN

Invitation from Bishop Tim Harris - Catholic Youth Commission, Townsville Diocese Bishop Tim is establishing a Diocesan Youth Commission and is looking for members. If you love God, care about young people, live in or beyond Townsville and enjoy working in a team to create and develop vision and strategies you may want to put in an Expression of Interest. Email <a href="mailto-youth@tsv.catholic.org.au">youth@tsv.catholic.org.au</a> to receive an Information Pack and register for an information session (dates: 18/08/20 or 29/08/20). For more information contact the Youth Office – 4726 3262. Closing date: Friday 4 September.

#### **Anniversary Mass**

On Monday 31 August, we will celebrate our Anniversary Mass. Bishop Tim Harris and Fr Rod Ward will concelebrate this occasion with us. On this occasion we will commission nine new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Community (eight students, one teacher) and award our 2020 Edmund Rice Service Awards. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, no parents or carers may attend. We will be livestreaming the event on Facebook.

#### **Faith in Action**

The following faith in action activities are happening in the next two weeks:

- Toast Room Week 8 is hosted by Nolan
- Collection of Goods Members of each House are encouraged to bring items to be donated to the Drop In Centre over the next few weeks. See the poster for details. We need more donations!!

For more information, come to the Identity and Mission Office.

Johanna Smith | Deputy Principal - Identity and Mission



#### **Vocational Education and Training (VET)**

This program is invaluable for enhancing our students' employability skills and provides the opportunity for them to have a 'real life' work experience. We truly hope the students gained valuable life skills and now better appreciate the world of work.

Could parents and carers of VET students please peruse their son's logbook and also remind them of the importance of having pages 13 and 14 completed by their employers. Four fully completed logbooks could earn the boys two QCE points. Please check with the boys tonight to ensure they have that sorted by tomorrow and that they return their logbooks to the VET office by Wednesday next week (Week 8).

If the students wish to change placements for Term 4, they must have the purple Change of Placement form completed and lodged with the VET office by Friday of next week (Week 8).

The Industry Placement program would not be successful without the ongoing support of many businesses within our community, for which we are extremely grateful. We would like to thank the following employers for accommodating the students this week:

#### Grant Rossiter | VET Program Leader

5 Star Fitness A. Gabrielli Construction Pty Ltd Aitkenvale Auto & Dyno AJ McLean Constructions A-Lec Electrics Pty Ltd A-Lect Auto Electrical Auto-Lek NQ Automotive Repair Centre Baker & Co Landscape Construction Belcher Diesel Service Bips Auto Service Centre **Bob Parkes Automotive** Brilliant Touch Up Painting Britrac (Aust) Pty Ltd Broadspectrum Defence Maintenance & Support Services Brothers Leagues Club Townsville Brown and Hurley Group **BWN Services** CD Projects CIR Electrical Clark Equipment CLR Electrical & Refrigeration Coastal Gasfitting & Plumbing Coops Automotive Core Developments Cranbrook State School David Taylor Spraypainting & Panel Beating DN Electrical Contractor Pty Ltd Downing Plumbing and Earthworks Ede's Plumbing Electrotek Qld Pty Ltd **Ergon Energy** FNQ Mechanical & Fabrication Food Relief NQ Franzmann Constructions Franzmann Plumbing Pty Ltd Girringun Aboriginal Corporation Gough Plastics

Grady Homes Gymnastics Townsville Hilditch Plumbing Horan & Bird **Hutchinson Builders iChippy** iMalekky Jam Corner Jason Miekus Plumbing & Drainage Pty Ltd JB & Sons Builders JEG Electrical Pty Ltd Jim Chaillon Auto Service John Lendich Carpenter Kaltec Services Pty Ltd Kassulke Building Projects Kenny's Auto Electrical Kickstart Fitness Centre Townsville Kolby's Electrical Lancini Homes Larsen Fencing Lazzaroni Electrical Len Dowd & Co Locke Electrical & Airconditioning Pty Magnetic Steel Works Manufacturing Design Engineering Pty Ltd Mark Hudson Engineering & Welding Mazlin Electrical Services MBD Pty Ltd McCann's Airconditioning & Refrigeration Services Pty Ltd Mendi Group Millair Climate Control Mineforce Australia Pty Ltd Minelec Pty Ltd MNB Constructions Morello Electrical Pty Ltd MPL Refrigeration

MVO Airconditioning Pty Ltd Nigel Benton Builder Norfab (Qld) Pty Ltd North Regional Gas NQ Electrical One Million Strong Penske Power Systems Precision Engineering & Welding Professional Pump Services & Irrigation Quality Steel Fabrications & Engineering Quick Start Auto Electrical Rapid Plumbing NQ Reldas Constructions Pty Ltd Rhyscapes Ross Joinery Pty Ltd Rowanair **Smith Marine Services** SPD Group Suncity Harley-Davidson Sureline Solar and Electrical Synergy Health Centre Tácomá Plumbing (Nth Qld) Pty Ltd TCC - Fleet Services
TCC - Maintenance Services TEi Services The Ville - Property Services Tony Ireland Holden (Car Workshop) Top to Bottom Plumbing Townsville CBD Electrical Townsville Electronics Service Centre Townsville Transport Services Van Eerde Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Waltlec Industries WF Electrical Woolworths Fairfield Central Wulguru Group







#### Fun in Junior Science Before an Exam

Ms Ventic's 7 Science recapped their lesson on decomposers by looking at earthworms.

The challenge was to be very gentle and observant of the earthworms' movement and behaviour.

Every student in class was also given the opportunity to touch and hold the decomposer gently.

Luckily for the earthworms, they all survived the ordeal and have now been busy rejuvenating Ms Ventic's worm farm at home.

#### Catherine Ventic | Teacher



















#### National Science Week - Innovations for the Future of Our Oceans

Every day last week, the boys had a Science activity for National Science Week. The theme was Innovations for the Future of Our Oceans. The week was buzzing in all things 'Marine Science' and I look forward to the participation in the 'SSIQ' Science Activities next year (2021 - 'Food' theme!).

#### 'Seafood Lolly' Guess Winners:

Cobi Connolly (10 Carew) and Mr Denny

Homeroom Quiz Winners: 9 Nolan (Ms Loechel's group)

Shimano fishing rod/reel oceans innovation idea competition, to either clean the legacy, or to stop the litter:

1st - Julian Collins - Year 12 Nolan

2nd - Harley Caspani - Year 8 Reid

3rd - Alex Owens - Year 8 Baillie

4th - Gus Rees - Year 11 Treacy, and Dane Smedley - Year 10 Treacy

Highly commended – Jake Newman (7 Treacy) & Marcus Farrands (9 Nolan)

The ideas that students submitted for the competition will be shared during this week's Assembly.

#### Alyssa Deer | Faculty Leader - Science













#### Junior CBSQ Basketball Team

On Wednesday afternoon, the Junior CBSQ Basketball team played their final official game in the Senior Competition defeating Annandale Christian College 65-62. It was a hard fought game with both teams coming out strong wanting the win. The game score went both ways throughout the game with a final three-pointer by Matthew Evans to take the game lead.

Roman Smirnov received the Stockland Star of the Week voucher this week for his impressive free throw percentage making 6 out of 7 as well as for his rebounding and general overall game at both ends of the court.

Well done to the team for playing competitively in the higher age division. Next week is a BYE. We continue the preparation for the CBSQ Tournament in October. Thank you once again to our sponsors and to Stockland for the Star the Week Award.

Amanda Loechel | Team Manager









#### **J2J Excursion - The Ville**

Students registered in the Journey 2 Jobs program have recently had the opportunity to visit The Ville. The excursion provided insight to students who are interested in pursuing a pathway in the Hospitality industry. Students were given a tour of the exceptional facilities at this establishment including many of the behind the scenes areas that most people are not aware of. IPC would like to thank the staff of The Ville for this opportunity and acknowledge the support they have provided to the Journey 2 Jobs program.

**Andrew Kirkpatrick** | Program Leader - Indigenous and Multicultural





#### Handball

The Handball Competition is now in the final stages. Next week, we will see Reid and Baillie Houses do battle in the Grand Final. Reece Foley aka 'The Handyman' and Taj Peterson, aka 'K9', will play in the Grand Final on Monday.

Thanks to Mr John Deer, Pastoral Leader (Treacy), who organised, promoted and ran the competition. Thank you also to Mr Craig Brown, Dean of Wellbeing, who created these videos to spur on some friendly competition between the boys.





#### Rowing

On the weekend, our Rowing squad competed in their second regatta of the season. This regatta saw the return of single sculls racing in which our boys competed well and produced some great results. Overall, the squad improved on their results from the first regatta. Our finals results for the day were:

Boys Year 9/10 Single- 1st- Sonny Crawford, 2nd Noah Lau

Boys Open Four- 1st- Zac Judge, Zachary Skipp, Josh Holcroft, Andrew Harris, Cox- Atticus D'Mello, 5th- Isaac Truett,

Daniel Weir, Lachlan Larsen, James Clarke, Cox- Jude Foyle

Boys Year 8 Double- 5th Sebastiaan Arends, Thomas Bartels

Boys Open Single- 3rd Zachary Skipp, 4th Zac Judge

Boys Year 9/10 Quad- 4th Vincent Micale, Sonny Crawford, Ben McDougall, Kenta Muirhead, Cox- Atticus D'Mello, 5th

Noah Lau, Joe Murphy, Will Buttigieg, Joe Dixon, Cox- Jude Foyle Boys Open Double- 3rd Zac Judge, Josh Holcroft

Boys Year 8 Single- 5th Sebastiaan Arends

Boys Open Eight- 3rd Zac Judge, Zachary Skipp, Isaac Truett, Josh Holcroft, Andrew Harris, Sonny Crawford, Noah Lau, Lachlan Larsen, Cox- Atticus D'Mello

We now look forward to our next regatta this weekend (30 August) at Riverway Rowing Club!

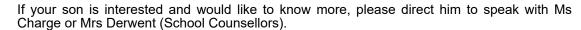
**Harrison Parks** | Rowing Co-ordinator

#### **Pastoral**

#### Apply to be a Peer Mentor for 2021

This week, Year 10 students were invited to apply to become Peer Mentors for 2021. The Peer Mentor program holds a long tradition here at the College with our Year 11 students providing support and guidance to the incoming Year 7s. This support is provided on the Orientation Day, first day of school, during Homeroom and lunch time activities. There will be two Peer Mentors to be chosen from each House. Applications close on Friday of Week 9 (11 September).

There will be a two-day overnight training camp that the selected young men need to be able to attend on Friday 6 November and returning on the afternoon of Saturday 7 November. This camp is being held at Apex Camp on Magnetic Island.



Dannielle Charge | Student Counsellor

#### The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) is an annual collection of information from all Australian schools on the numbers of students with disability and the adjustments they receive. This year we collected evidence on 112 students ranging in needs from Quality Differentiated Léarning through to Extensive Support. This data is useful in determining the needs of students at Ignatius Park College.

Nicole Putscher | Program Leader - Inclusive Education

#### **Blue Card Changes**

If you work or volunteer with children in Queensland, we've got some news. On 31 August 2020, the Queensland Government will make changes to the Blue Card system to make it better. These changes strengthen and streamline the Blue Card system under the Working with Children (Risk Management and Screening) Act 2000. A key change will be the introduction of the *No Card, No Start* laws – which will mean you must have a valid Blue Card before you can work with children. The new laws also include stricter requirements for people who rely on an exemption to work or volunteer with children through the introduction of the terms, restricted person and restricted employment and associated offences. If you work or volunteer with our organisation you can find out more about these changes and what they mean for you by visiting the Blue Card Services website www.qld.gov.au/bluecardchanges

A better blue card system

Marg Hodgson | Deputy Principal - Community and Staff Development



# **Upcoming Webinar for Parents**

This school has a membership with Parenting Ideas, one of Australia's most trusted sources of parenting education and support. As part of this membership, all the parents in this school community can attend some fantastic webinars in 2020 at no cost. We're pleased to let you know about an upcoming webinar.

#### Teaching young people about healthy relationships: 9 Sep 8-9pm AEST



Watch from any device, any location



See the expert as they speak

OO Catch up recording available

Valued at \$37 per person

#### **Webinar Overview**

In a world where young people are bombarded by adult themes, sexualised and destructive media messages, it can be hard for parents to feel confident to take on delicate topics with their child. In this webinar Collett Smart gives parents the tools to build a strong relationship with their child where no topic is off-limits and they can come to them with any questions.

Key learning and discussion points include:

- The foundations of healthy relationships and relationship intelligence
- · How to help a child develop flourishing relationships at each age and stage of their development
- Appropriate age guidelines for talking about body safety, sex and sexualised media
- How to respond when a child comes across pornography
- Conversation ideas on consent and respectful relationships

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#### **Presenter Overview**

Collett Smart is a psychologist, qualified teacher and author of 'They'll be OK: 15 Conversations To Help Your Child Through Troubled Times'. She has more than 20 years' experience working in private and public schools, as well as in private practice.



Collett appears regularly on national television and radio, as an expert in teen and family issues. Collett has taught and delivered psychology workshops and seminars around the world. She is an Ambassador for International Justice Mission Australia and is mum to 3 children.

#### Redeem your webinar - it's easy!

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This offer is valid until 9 December 2020. If you're unable to make the broadcast time, just register anyway and you will get access to the recording.

# Webhars for Parents Webhars f

#### **Articles for Parents**

On the Parenting Ideas website you can also view and receive helpful articles to support your parenting journey.

Read up on topics such as:

- Resilience
- Siblings
- Bullying
- Positive Parenting
- Digital and Social Media
- Behaviour
- Confidence
- Friendships
- Anxiety
- Girls
- Boys
- Learning and Education



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## Fully funded allied health training

breakthru Community College are currently offering a fully-funded, nationally recognised Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance (HLT33015) to all eligible Townsville residents.

#### This course is ideal if you are:

- Unemployed and looking to return to the workforce
- Available for face to face in-classroom training
- Interested in a career as a health care professional

#### Limited spots available

Seats are limited and enrolment is subject to eligibility checks. If you're interested in starting a fulfilling new career as an allied health professional, please reach out to Tracy Dawson for more details.





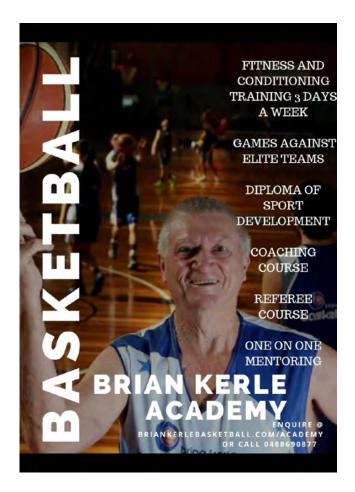
Website: breakthrucollege.edu.au





Email: tracy.dawson@breakthru.org.au

This training program is funded by the Queensland Government as a Skilling Queenslanders for Work, Community Work Skills Project. breakthru is a registered training provider (#91512) with the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA).





# Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish Sacramental program 2020



Come Holy Spirit,

Fill my heart

And enkindle in me the fire of your love

So that I may live the truth

And witness by my action

What I believe.

Preparation for the first celebration of the sacraments is a special time in the lives of the children and the whole family.

We are inviting you to participate in the preparation of your child for the sacraments

#### Attendance at all classes is required.

There are three parts to receiving the sacraments for the first time:

- 1. Formal teaching
  - This involves formal teaching about the sacraments
  - This continues on throughout our lives
- 2. Sacramental preparation
  - This takes place informally and involves experiences, rituals and discussion
  - Occurs for a short period leading up to the reception of the sacrament
  - Takes place in the home and in the parish
- 3. Sacramental celebration

Involves preparing the rites and

celebrating them

Takes place in the Parish

(adapted from Archdiocese of Brisbane)

