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20 June 2018

From the Pen of the Principal, Robert Corboy



Dear St Brendan's family

As we move towards the second term holidays the school has been a hive of activity with assignments and exams at the forefront of everyone's thinking, planning and experience. I have been impressed with the strong academic focus here at St Brendan's. Experiencing the classroom

practices when I have visited rooms, the breadth of offer, the peer mentoring program for staff that has our senior leadership team visit classes and provide teachers with formalised feedback and the student work that is being produced, provides the basis for my statement. Staff have also been meeting regularly planning for the implementation of ATAR in 2019 and last week we completed an internal VET audit. Well done to all involved.

Conference

Last week I had the privilege to attend the Annual EREA Principal's conference in Adelaide, the focus being primarily Principal wellbeing but easily extrapolated to all who work in schools. We are fortunate to work in a community that has as one of its guiding principles 'belonging', to be welcomed and appreciated for the gifts each of us bring to our workspaces. In a profession that experiences high stress levels and burnout, it is our collective culture of family (looking after each other) and belonging (being valued) that goes some way in mitigating these alarming statistics. It was a conference that had experts speak about brain functionality, methods to reduce stress, the importance of meditation and contemplative prayer and finally habits of high achievers. I found the conference both informative and practical and I will hopefully share this information with staff next term.

Holidays

As we are about to commence our holidays I would like to begin by thanking all those involved in the preparation for Confraternity and wish the team safe travels and best wishes for the carnival ahead. A reminder for those Old Boys from the Charters Towers district and surrounds we have a function on Tuesday night of the Confraternity week. For Further information please call 0419 797 433.

Please take the opportunity to sit down with your son to discuss his report card. I would encourage everyone to take up the invitation to participate in the Parent Teacher evening scheduled for the start of next term and can I suggest it would be important for your son to be present during the discussions.

Invitation

Commencing next term I would like to invite members the community to join me for a 'cuppa' once a month. Utilising our Eddies Café, it would be my 'shout' for anyone to come along for an informal chat and catch up from 2.00pm through to 3.00pm on a designated Friday. So if you have time and doing the student pick up, please come through a bit earlier and join me and others within the community for a social get together. The dates are as follows:

2.00pm - 3.00pm

Friday 20th July

Friday 31st August

Friday 14th September

Friday 26th October

Friday 23rd November

No need to RSVP, everyone is welcome.

I hope each and every one of you regardless whether you are working or fortunate to have some time off to enjoy the space with family. At the end of the day it is the ones who we love and who love us unconditionally are most important in our lives.

God Bless and safe travels for all who are on the roads over this holiday period.

2018 Country Dinners

Our SBC Boarding family is important to us. We invite you to join with us at our new St Brendan's College Country Dinners in 2018. Principal Rob Corboy and Head of Boarding Cathy Minto will visit the following towns and want to meet with families, catch up on your news and ensure strong communication between the College and our boarding families. A venue will be advised prior to the event. Please let us know if you would like to be registered for the dinner by emailing Sue Bradshaw at boarding@sbc.qld.edu.au or phone (07) 49399 450.

| Town | Date | Staff |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Charters Towers | Wednesday 3 July 2018 | College Leadership |
| Emerald | Wednesday 8 August 2018 | College Leadership |
| Springsure | Thursday 9 August | College Leadership |
| Rolleston | Friday 10 August | College Leadership |
| Blackwater/Bluff/ Dingo | Wednesday 5 September | College Leadership |
| Clermont | Thursday 6 September | College Leadership |
| Moranbah | Friday 7 September | College Leadership |
| Badu Island | Friday 5 October | College Leadership |
| Murray Island | Saturday 6 October | College Leadership |

2018 Regional Visits - St Brendan's College

Come and talk to us as we visit towns and Shows in Central Queensland in 2018. We love speaking with current, past and prospective parents, and believe it's important to find out what is going on in your local community. Drop into our stand and say hello. We would love to answer any questions you may have about academic and extra-curricular offerings, boarding life and the full range of opportunities and pathways for your son at St Brendan's College

| Enrolment Stand | Date | Staff |
|-----------------------|--|------------|
| AgGrow Emerald | Thursday 28 - Saturday 30 June 2018 | Enrolments |
| Moranbah Home Show | | Enrolments |

If you are interested in finding more about our Agricultural Program and our Cattle Club, don't miss our Cattle being shown at the following regional shows.

| SBC Cattle Club Cattle Showing and Judging | Date | Staff |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Sarina Show | Saturday 4 Sunday 5 August 2018 | Agricultural Department |

God Bless

Robert Corboy PRINCIPAL

Middle/Senior School News

As holiday's approach our boys will have the opportunity to spend more time than normal on their devices. The article below presents some interesting insights into how young people view social media and discusses some of the issues excessive screen time can present to young people. If you are concerned about your son's social media or screen time usage remember to activate a free Family Zone membership to provide you as the parents with some easy to use and negotiate tools to help limit or monitor your son's time online. All families were sent an activation email last month with links and information on activating your free Family Zone membership, alternatively you can log in via our Family Zone school portal page at the link below.

https://www.familyzone.com/sbc-qld

The article referred to link to this paragraph is located at the link below.

https://www.familyzone.com/blog/worried-about-social-media-your-child-too-

Boarding News

With the end of term just a few days away we have very excited boys to be going home to their families. It has been a great term with lots of activities to enjoy and memories made. On the weekend the boys had an opportunity to attend Circus School lots of fun was had by all the boys gained skills in hoola hoop, juggling, balancing and much more. Check out Facebook for circus school photos. I hope everyone enjoys there holidays and stays safe. Looking forward to Term 3.







Identity News

Eddie's Van

Having adequate support for the Eddie's Van is always challenging during the holiday period. If any students are available during the upcoming holidays please consider becoming part of the Eddie's Van experience. If interested, your commitment would be for no longer than 1.5 hours on a Thursday afternoon. I realise we all have many commitments during the term. Therefore, this holiday period may be a great opportunity to give back to the local community through a very practical and humbling cause. If interested, please see myself at some point before the end of term so I can put your name on the roster.

Capricorn Coast Parish News

Welcome back to Fr Matthew Moloney who has been on annual leave. Thank you to Fr Noel Milner and Fr Terry Loth who have presided over the masses on the Capricorn Coast in his absence.

ACTS Camp

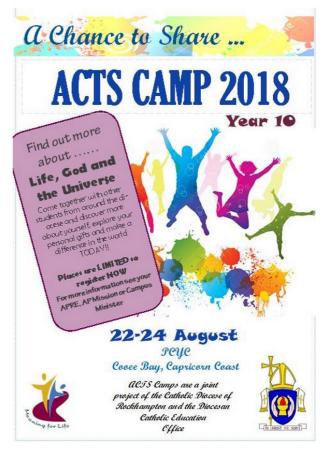
What is ACTS?

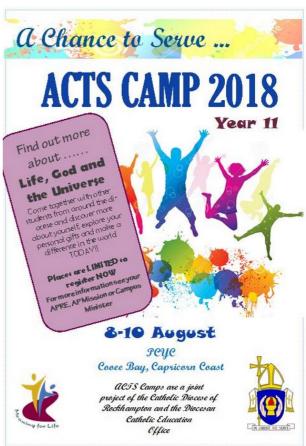
For many years now, young people in Year 10 and Year 11 from colleges around the Diocese of Rockhampton have been coming together to experience ACTS.

ACTS is an opportunity for you to come together with other students from around the diocese to explore significant questions about faith and life. It is an opportunity to share about what is important to you, as well as listening to the stories of others.

The Year 11 and Year 10 Camps focus on how we can develop our leadership skills and potential so that we can be instrumental in recreating our world as the compassionate, just and peaceful world God intended it to be. By examining our own giftedness and the needs we see around us, we can make a difference in our families, with our friends and in our colleges.

Please view the fliers below for further details. Applications close Friday 20 July (Week 1). If you are interested in attending please see myself for an application pack as soon as possible.





Domestic Violence Campaign

Respect and the spirit of community service form part of the foundation which our College is built on. Today we witnessed this in action, as the culmination of Domestic Violence month saw us hand over 83 handbags/shoe boxes to Samara Thompson, from St Vincent de Paul, to be donated to the Rockhampton Women's Shelter. A total of \$2949.49 was also raised online, by the SBC community, to dedicate to this cause.

We would like to say an enormous thank you to the Capricorn Coast parish, Mona Blue, the Livingstone Shire Council, the State Government, P & F Association and all the families, staff and students of SBC for their contributions to such a worthy cause. At SBC we promote that 'RESPECT' underpins every part of our lives. We will continue this campaign hoping to make it bigger and better into the future.



Mr Shane Peers Assistant Principal - Identity

Career Corner



In the previous newsletter I discussed non-apprenticeship jobs. Today will be on apprenticeships.

To gain an apprenticeship, usually work experience has to have been done in the field. Some employers will be the major companies such as various mining companies or contractors, others will be

small, local ones.

Most employers want students who have just finished Year 12, as they have a licence, are more mature and have better skills. As to what subjects, often taking Construction or Automotive will demonstrate an interest in a particular field. Many employers want OP English and Maths B, for other employers it isn't so important and they are happy with English Communication and Maths A. Physics or Engineering Technology are other subjects that are in high demand, particularly in the electrical field. Obviously not everyone can cope with these subjects, but if students can, they should choose them. When students are in Year 8, they should be striving to get into the extension classes so that they have the best choices later on.

Most apprenticeships will start to be advertised in Term 2. Often the selection process involves an online application, aptitude testing, group interviews and individual interviews. Apprenticeship offers fluctuate according to the economic climate, not many were offered last year.

Types of apprenticeships include:

- Well known ones diesel fitting, electrician, mechanic, auto electrician, carpenter
- Less known ones green keeping, hairdressing, chef.

In the past few years, the apprenticeship applications have started being advertised in June, for work the following year.

The school has subscribed to a great web site: My Career Advisor, which allows all students and their parents to log on to for help with subject selection, career advice, universities, getting a job, etc. User name: sbc.qld.edu.au Password: sbc4703 Have a look at it, there is great information and links to other sites.

Next newsletter I will discuss the Defence Force.

Regards

Sue Waddell Ph: 07 49399423 waddells@sbc.qld.edu.au

Sports News

Rugby League

Last week both our U/15 and First XIII rugby league teams made their way up to Mackay for the last double -header of the term. Both teams had tough losses against strong Kirwan SHS and a draw against Mercy College in the U/15's and a win against St Patricks College in the Opens. After these performances both teams are also now able to progress on to the next stage of the Aaron Payne Cup (Opens) and Cowboys Challenge (U/15). On July 25 both teams will take on Ignatius Park College for a chance to play at Dairy Farmers Stadium in the final of the Aaron Payne Cup & Cowboys Challenge. A big thanks to Mr Grant Broadhurst and his support team along with Mr Terry Hansen for their assistance throughout the competition. Also, good luck to our First XIII as they look towards Charters Towers and the Confraternity Shield.



First XIII after their 34-6 win against St Patricks College, Mackay.



The U/15's huddling up before their game against Mercy College.

Inter-House Athletics Carnival

Friday 8th June saw students descend onto the ovals of St Brendan's College to compete for the prestigious title of House Champions. On what was a fantastic Yeppoon day, students competed across a variety of events such as Long Jump, Shot Put, 100m, 200m, Relay's, Vortex throw, Tug of War and High Jump. There were some outstanding performances across the day including Jerimiah Naawi beating a 30 year old record in the 200m. Congratulations to Hayes house and their Captains Lewis Frost and Eamon O'Hanlon.

| HOUSE | POINTS |
|---------|--------|
| HAYES | 2880 |
| DUHIG | 2461 |
| GETTONS | 2409 |
| TYNAN | 2358 |



Principal Mr Robert Corboy with Hayes Captains Lewis Frost and Eamon O'Hanlon



Hayes House



The U15 Touch Team won the Capricorn Coast Mens Competition on Thursday night 6-3.

Yours in Sport
Mr Dallas Williams

Music News

Major Upcoming Events:

June 26 - 28 The Cathedral College Music Camp - Rockhampton

August 16 - 20 Brisbane Music Tour (Queensland Catholic Music Festival - QCMF)

August 31 - CQ Battle of the Bands - Rockhampton October 27 Capricorn coast Music Festival - Yeppoon -All Woodwind & Brass students participate

Ongoing Events:

Every Monday 8am at SBC (or as soon as they get to school) - Mr. Katefidies runs band practice - ALL woodwind and brass players are encouraged to participate.

Every Monday 7:30 am at St Ursula's - a combined choir is being developed with students from Yeppoon State High School and St. Ursula's. ALL boys can participate and especially guitar students are encouraged to get involved.

<u>Every Monday 8:30 am at SBC</u> Mr. Ingram is running Guitar ensemble. This is specifically for the students attending the QCMF. Other students are welcome to attend.

Every Tuesday 3:15 - 4:15 at SBC Mr. Walker runs our Drumline with Mr. Grant. New students are always welcome to join.

Every Thursday 3:30 - 5:00 at YSHS a combined Concert and Jazz band is being developed with Yeppoon State High School and St. Ursula's. ALL woodwind and brass students should be making every effort to participate as much as possible.

Other upcoming events

Farnborough State School Fair July 29th
Capricorn Coast Combined School Mass July 31
Rugby League Grand Finals September 15
Youth Mass term 3 TBA

Where required to any of the above we are organising transport to and from the event and just need to know how we best help your son to participate.

If you think your son should be involved and currently are unaware of any of these events please contact Mrs Purdie on 49399400 and she will forward all information or Mr Ingram 0408399054 ingramj@sbc.qld.edu.au

NOW FOR MORE DETAILS

June 26 - 28 The Cathedral College Music Camp - Rockhampton

We have been advised of the students who have currently registered for this event by TCC and will be making contact with them to confirm if you will need transport to and from this event.

ALL year 7 - 12 concert band students were encouraged to participate.

ALL Guitar class students are encouraged to participate by joining the choir (this is a great opportunity to start singing in the safety of a group).

The camp will run from 3.30pm Tuesday 26 June to the concert on Thursday 28 June which commences at 6pm. Total cost for attendance is \$125 which will cover tuition, music, meals whilst in attendance at the camp, and camp memorabilia. Students could still enroll for this if they wish. Speak to Mrs. Purdie 49399400

August 16 - 20 Brisbane Music Tour (Queensland Catholic Music Festival - QCMF)

Over 140 offers to be involved were sent out to eligible students via email and post early in the term. This is our biggest ever contingent which is fantastic.

Depart: August 16: 5am - Return August 20: 5pm

Acceptance was via clicking on the link below, or contacting Mrs Purdie direct on 49399400. If you were offered a place and haven't replied there is still some space but you will need to follow up very quickly now as once the bus is full we cannot take any more.

https://goo.gl/forms/p4heKMfoWcxoUXCo1

We are participating in 10 separate events ranging from Christian Worship Bands through to Drumlines, Jazz bands and so much more. Percussionist, guitarist, and all our woodwind and brass students will have some great opportunities to develop and hear other musicians on the trip.

There will be few additional rehearsals in term 3 to help the ensembles develop as the students are across several grades. This will be communicated directly to the students participating.

One of the highlights of the trip will be attending the Broadway Sensation, Beautiful: *The Carole King Musical,* featuring hit songs from one of the great songwriting eras, including "Natural Woman", "I Feel The Earth Move", "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling", "You've Got A Friend", "Will You Love Me Tomorrow", and "Locomotion".

Beautiful tells the inspirational true story of **Carole King's** remarkable rise from teenage **songwriter** to global superstar. She fought her way into the record business as a schoolgirl but it wasn't until her personal life began to crack that she finally found her true voice and went on to become one of the most successful solo artists in pop music history.

I can't wait to see it. Bet you wish you were coming now? Never mind "You've Got a Friend" or two who is!

We will also be attending Eat Street, visiting some catching the City Cat and visiting some retirement centres while there

October 27 Capricorn coast Music Festival -Yeppoon - All Woodwind & Brass students participate along with students interested in singing.

This has ongoing rehearsal as outlined above for the various ensembles.

Other important dates for this are:

27 June a combined practice at SBC for all students from 9:00 - 2:00 Please note this is in the first week of the school holidays. Students attending the TCC camp will not be expected to attend this event.

21 September - Last day of term 3. This is a student free day 9:00 - 2:00

22 October - This is a student free day 9:00 - 2:00

26 October - 1:00 - 7:00 - Final rehearsal

27 October Festival - Times TBA

ASSESSMENT

All students' reports are being prepared and we look forward to discussing with you your son's ongoing development if you wish. Please contact Mr. Ingram via email Ingramj@sbc.qld.edu.au and he will forward to the relevant teacher as not all staff use a school email for communication.

Any questions regarding anything above contact Mr. Ingram on Ingramj@sbc.qld.edu.au or Mrs. Purdie on 49399400

Yours in Music

Mr Jack Ingram Head of Department Music

Art News

St Brendan's College achieved an outstanding accolade of the widespread talent of their students by winning all sections of the Visual Art Secondary school sections across painting and printmaking in both junior and senior sections.

St Brendan's College had a record 81 entries in the 2018 Yeppoon Show, ranging in a variety of subject matter and media across all year levels. Recipients of the prizes were:

- Year 8 student Alex Rees with Second Prize in Secondary 7 -9 Painting
- Year 9 student Flynn Donaghy with Best Overall Secondary Art Prize and first prize Secondary 7-9 Painting
- Year 9 student Kegan Bally with Highly Commended in Secondary Painting 7-9
- Year 7 student Ezra Baltus with Highly Commended in Secondary Painting 7-9
- Year 10 student Charlie Hearn with First Prize in Secondary 10-12 Printmaking
- Year 10 student Ussamm Row Row with First Prize in Secondary 10-12 Printmaking
- Year 12 student Shai Hayden with First Prize in Secondary 10-12 Painting
- Year 12 student Yount Elisala with Second Prize in Secondary 10-12 Painting
- Year 12 student Moses Kudub with Highly Commended in Secondary 10-12 Painting



St Brendan's College Visual Arts Head of Department Ms Lee-Ann Handley conveys the importance of public recognition of student work by explaining 'students gain a great deal; of confidence in their own abilities and creativity when they are provided with the opportunity to display their artworks in a professional manner and exhibited in a public domain. Mrs Jodie Cooper and I are extremely proud of the high standard of work produced by our students and hope the larger community has enjoyed the work as much as we have.'

Thank you

Lee-Ann Handley
Visual Arts and Drama Head of Department

Ag News

The 2018 Yeppoon Show was a very successful venture by all accounts. I took eight boys to the show on Saturday who worked tirelessly in the show jump arena, picking up jump rails and shifting courses and in the woodchop arena picking up timber and scraps and cleaning/setting up for various events. We repeated with 2 boys on Sunday who again worked all day in the show jumping and other horse arenas.

Boys who assisted were:

Jack Hayman
Jackson Mercer
Jacob Prewett
Tyler Hankin
Mark Larson
Ashby Sinclair
Marshall Sullivan
Logan Walker

The boys were terrific, worked hard and were extremely well behaved. Jack Hayman and Ashby Sinclair fronting up for two days were exceptional. Jack Hayman as usual made a name for himself in a positive way with all and sundry.

Fencing projects

All this term Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 students have been working on the new exclusion fence around the horse paddock. Year 10's pictured with teacher Bill Oram wearing his start a conversation about suicide work shirt and agricultural assistant Rob McFarlane at the fence site.







New steers branded.



The College purchased a small pen of feeder steers last week. Year 10's and Year 12's have processed the cattle this week using the script SBO brand for the first time for some years.

Regards

Bill Oram

Mobile App

A reminder to parents of the availability of our new SBC App for important and timely reminders about academic and extra-curricular activities at the College. The App has been developed by Xargo, so if you are searching for the App please ensure you download this version (not the older Skoolbag version).

If you already have the App downloaded, please ensure you have completed the Update available at the App store (Apple) or Google Playstore (Android), as there have been some important changes to ensure the App works correctly since its initial commencement.

As a reminder, please ensure you undertake the troubleshooting tips to ensure the App is correctly set up on your phone:

- Ensure you are subscribed to relevant channels by going to notification settings and clicking on the channel you need to subscribe to, for example Year 7, sporting notifications etc. (If you are subscribed the bell and channel will show in blue; if you are not subscribed there will be a cross through that particular channel/bell). You will not receive notifications for specific channels if you are not subscribed.
- Ensure mobile data and push notifications are on for the St Brendan's College App (in Settings). It will not work without mobile data on.
- If you believe there has been a notification you may have missed, on Apple phone please pull your finger down from the top of the screen, to open any new notifications. For Android, you will see the SBC icons on the top of your screen.

If parents are having problems with the App, please contact Nicole Dendle in Marketing on dendlen@sbc.qld.edu.au or phone (07) 49399 424.

Parent Lounge

Please find below a link to instructions on how to use the new Forgot Password link for Parent Lounge.

Homework Centre

Homework Centre runs from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Monday to Thursday. Students can get assistance with assessments, homework or revision. It is located in the Support Room at the bottom of C block - closest to the Art room.

Date Claimers

| 18th – 22nd June | Exam Block (Study release for Yr 11 & 12 students only) |
|---------------------|---|
| 22nd June | End of Term 2 |

Term Dates for 2018

| Term 2: | 17th April – 22nd June |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| Term 3: | 16th July – 20th September |
| Term 4: | 8th October – 29th November |

Online Uniform Shop

St Brendan's College uniform hours of operation and ordering are now online!

Visit our website page in the link below.

https://www.stbrendans.qld.edu.au/enrolments/uniforms-stationery/

Beanies for Brain Cancer

You may be surprised to learn that, in Australia, brain cancer kills more children than any other disease and more people under 40 than any other cancer, yet it is one of the most underfunded and under researched cancers of all time. Your support of **Beanie for Brain Cancer Day** will enable us to increase awareness of this terrible disease, and raise much needed funds for brain cancer research.

SBC Student Alex Rees is selling beanies (he has a target of 100 to sell) for this worthy cause that is personal to him. Beanies cost \$20. Please see Student Reception to purchase a beanie.

Community Notices

Sewing done for you! Children's Name Tags sewn on for you. Sew on Tags ONLY. Cotton included. Tags NOT included. \$25 per hour. Janeane McCosker elsewear65@bigpond.com





Eddies Van

