

NEWSLETTER

WEEKS 1 - 4 | TERM: 2 | 2022

FROM THE PRINCIPAL...



Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community,

Melaleuca Australia:

In 2018, the College formed a partnership with Melaleuca Australia, to assist in providing an inspiring welcome for new arrival families who have made the journey to Australia as part of the Australian Government's refugee and humanitarian visa program.

The partnership was an immediate success, with the College welcoming many students and their families into our community from South Sudan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Burundi. Sadly, with the arrival of COVID19, the program was impacted in 2020 through the closure of Australia's international borders. Finally, after two long years, the program is reopening and we stand ready and look forward to welcoming more students and their families into our amazing multicultural community. We certainly have been blessed.

Καλό Πάσχα and Eid Mubarak:

St John's is culturally diverse community within a small school environment, this is truly one of our greatest strengths. As a community we say $K\alpha\lambda\delta$ $\Pi\dot{\alpha}\sigma\chi\alpha$ to members of the Greek Community who recently celebrated Easter, and Eid Mubarak to members of the Islamic Community who recently celebrated Eid al-Fitr, marking the end of the Holy month of Ramadan.

ANZAC Day:

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

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Thank you to Sergeant and Corporal Edwards (parents of Jake, Year 11) for being our keynote speakers at our ANZAC Day assembly. Sergeant and Corporal Edwards challenged students and staff to live the ANZAC spirit of justice, freedom and peace in our everyday lives. Thank you also to our Student Leaders who led the assembly and represented the College at the ANZAC DAY Memorial Mass and Parade on Sunday 25 April.

Parent / Teacher Interviews:

We believe in parents and teachers working in partnership to support students in their wellbeing and learning. Thank you to all who were able to attend the Parent / Teacher interviews on Thursday 28 April. The evening was well attended and full of engaging positive conversations between students, parents and teachers.

College Advisory Board:

The Annual General Meeting of the College Advisory Board was held on Wednesday 11 May. The College is proud to announce the following office bearers for the Board:

- Ms Clalia Mar Chair
- Mr Neil Pomfret Deputy Chair
- Ms Candice Thomson Finance Representative

The College Advisory Board performs a good governance function for the College as well as providing advice and support to the Principal and Strategic Leadership Team. We thank all Parents, Guardians and Community Members for the ongoing contribution to the College through the Advisory Board.

Student Laptops:

With student enrolments growing, it is timely to review what is in place with regards to computer access at the College. Currently, students in the middle school have access to laptops whilst senior students have access to desktops.

This year, the College has refreshed three computer labs (LOTE, Music Lab and New Library) and much work has been done maintaining the middle school laptop fleet.

However, as the middle school laptop fleet is ageing, and given the growth in student enrolments, the fleet of laptops is no longer large enough to provide ongoing 1:1 access for middle school students. It is worth noting that schools do not receive a direct line of funding to operate a 1:1 laptop program.

Over the last few years, many Darwin primary and secondary schools (Government and Non-Government) have introduced a Bring Your Own Designated Device Laptop Program (BYODD Laptop Program). It's worth noting that BYODD laptop programs and their implementation can take many shapes and forms.

As outlined in our Annual School Improvement Plan, this year the College will be reviewing the merits and options of a BYODD laptop program and will need to seriously consider a staged implementation over the coming years.

Therefore, I flag with all parents and guardians that this work (exploring programs and options) has commenced and invite parents / guardians with relevant knowledge and experience in this area to consider nominating for the College Advisory Board.

NAPLAN:

Well done to students in Years 7 and 9 who sat NAPLAN across Weeks 4. Much is written about NAPLAN in the national media and from the St John's perspective the shift from a paper-based test to an online test continues to be a positive experience with improved engagement across the week. Anecdotally, I put the improved engagement down to two reasons:

- The shift from a paper test to an online test, aligning closer to students' preferred mode of working.
- The shift from a static test to an adaptive test, providing students with a test closer aligned to individual literacy and numeracy levels.

NAPLAN data informs parents and guardians, and assists schools in measuring individual and cohort progress from 2020 to 2022, and identifying individual and cohort strengths and areas for further development to assist in the planning of teaching and learning programs.

Open Days:

Year 5 / 6 Open Days planned for Term 2:

- Wednesday 25 May Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School + interested students from local Government Schools
- Wednesday 1 June St Mary's Catholic Primary School + interested students from local Government Schools
- Wednesday 8 June St Paul's Catholic Primary School + interested students from local Government Schools

The focus of the days will be for students to experience a regular school day at St John's rather than an intense Open Day type event. We hope that through participating in these days, students will become familiar with: the buildings and classrooms, routines of St John's, start to form friendships with current St John's students, develop confidence and reduce stress around transitioning from Primary School to Secondary School.

Parents / Guardians of students at other Catholic and Government Schools are requested to contact Mrs Ann-Maree Christianson on 8982 2222 or ann-maree.christianson@nt.catholic.edu.au should you wish for your son or daughter to attend.

Learning Nest - Weekdays in the LOTE Centre 3:30pm - 5:00pm:

St John's students in Years 7-12 are able to access the Learning Nest five days a week for support with homework, study, assessment items and exam preparation at no additional cost to families. The Learning Nest, an after school homework centre, is staffed by tutors who are recent graduates of St John's and have achieved academic success. The tutors, all currently studying at Charles Darwin University (CDU), bring their combined experiences to the afternoon homework centre.

Learning Nest Tutors: Mr Syed Mahmood (Class of 2018), Miss Mirielle Matyorautah (Class of 2019), Miss Allina Mahmood (Class of 2019), Mr Kanwar Cheema (Class of 2019), Mr Salvador Soares (Class of 2021) and Mr Said Nditije (Class of 2021).

Enrolment and Attendance Update:

	20	2020		2021		2022	
	Active	Active	Active	Active	Active	Active	
	Enrolment	Attendance	Enrolment	Attendance	Enrolment	Attendance	
Collection 1	192	85.4%	206	88.8%	220	72.7%	
February						*COVID	
						impacted	
Collection 2	187	86.1%	211	84.8%	224	79.9%	
March						*COVID	
90.0°450						impacted	
Collection 3	183	64.5%	212	86%		100	
May		*COVID					
		impacted					
Collection 4	186	71.0%	208	79.8%			
June	6	*COVID		1.5-00-012.000			
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Collection 5	185	83.8%	209	85%			
August	4	a a					
Collection 6	183	84.7%	209	84%			
September							
Collection 7	185	82.7%	200	82.5%	81		
October			2000				
Collection 8	186	86.0%	200	85%			
November							

Fortes in Fide.

Cameron Hughes Principal





ANZAC Day Assembly 2022







Wishing our Year 7 and Year 9 students all the best as they undertake their NAPLAN tests this week







Darwin Region School Sport Middle School Soccer -Girls St John's - First Place Well done Stage 2 PE for Coaching







Darwin Region School Sport Middle School Soccer - Boys St John's - First Place Well done Stage 2 PE for Coaching



Thursday 21 April, 2022



RE: House Spirit Fridays - Trial Term 2, 2022 **Updated Dates**

Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community,

One of our strategic goals as part of our Annual School Improvement Plan (ASIP) is to further develop our College and House identity, pride and spirit. In recent years, the College has: renewed the college uniform, designed a sports logo, introduced a sports uniform and placed key signage around the grounds.

Our attention now turns to enhancing our House Spirit, which was certainly on display at our recent Swimming Carnival. For Term 2, the College will engage in a trial where House Shirts (Daley, Burford, and O'Loughlin) will be permitted and encouraged to be worn in place of the red school uniform polo on selected Fridays (see below). Please note, all other uniform expectations remain in place.

The intent behind the trial is to build identity, pride, and spirit in our vertical pastoral care house system, whilst at the same time increasing the visibility and usage of House Shirts. Following Term 2, the College will review the merits of the trial and will determine the policy moving forward.

House Spirit Fridays - Term 2 Trial Dates:

Week 10 Friday 24 June

Week 1 Friday 22 April House Spirit Friday (House Shirt encouraged) Week 2 Friday 29 April House Spirit Friday (House Shirt encouraged) Week 3 Friday 6 May House Spirit Friday (House Shirt encouraged) Week 4 Friday 13 May House Spirit Friday (House Shirt encouraged) Week 5 Friday 20 May House Spirit Friday (House Shirt encouraged) Week 6 Friday 27 May Formal Assembly – (Red School Uniform required) Week 7 Friday 3 June Athletics Carnival – (House Shirt required) Week 8 Friday 10 June Sacred Heart Day – (Red School Uniform required) Week 9 Friday 17 June House Spirit Friday (House Shirt encouraged)

All students and staff are encouraged to embrace House Spirit Fridays and wear their House Shirt on the identified Fridays across Term 2/A reminder that all uniform items can be purchased from the Cricket and Football Shop, Stuart Highway Winnellie.

House Spirit Friday (House Shirt encouraged)

I can be contacted at 08 8982 2222 or at Cameron. Hughes@nt.catholic.edu.au should you have any questions.

Fortes in Fide,

Cameron Hughes Principal











FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: TEACHING AND LEARNING



Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community,

New Reporting Format for the College

This semester the College will implement a new software package for reporting. This will result in a different format of reporting for students. The overall grades A-E will remain as will the standard statements provid-

ed with subjects and Homeroom. There will be more visuals utilised in the presentation of results in the new format. We are currently preparing for reporting and our staff will undertake training in how to use the new software in time for our regular end of semester reports.

NTCET/ATAR form - Year 12 students

All Year 12 students received an NTCET/ATAR form at the end of last year and a second copy with reports. This form is overdue and required to be submitted to the College ASAP. The form confirms a student's subject selection and their choice of opting for both the NTCET (Year 12 certificate) and an ATAR (University entrance score) or the NTCET only. Year 12 students are reminded to submit this form this week, if another copy is required please see administration.

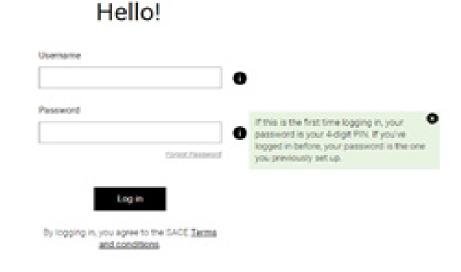
Year 12 Students

A reminder to Year 12 students that all coursework for your subjects will be completed by Friday Week 10 Term 3. All school-based assessment should be completed by this date. The first version of the SACE Exam timetable is now available; however, is subject to change and does not yet include the languages oral and written exams.

Students are required to achieve a 'C-' or better in 3 subjects (60 credits) at Stage 2 in order to qualify for the NTCET. This is in conjunction with the 140 credits at a 'C' grade or better at a Stage 1 or 2 level and the successful completion of the compulsory subjects (PLP, 2 x literacy, 1 x numeracy units).

To achieve an ATAR (university entrance score), students are required to undertake 90 credits worth of Stage 2 subjects.





https://www.sace.sa.edu.au/studying/your-sace/what-is-students-online

Edmodo



As all classes are up and running, all students should have access to their Edmodo groups for each subject. Edmodo allows our students to have access to class materials out of class and to submit their assessment tasks online. Feedback and grades for assessment tasks are available online for students when complete. Parents are able to access Edmodo via the app and receive notifications when your son/daughter has not submitted an assessment task and see what is happening in class.

If you are having issues with accessing Edmodo groups please contact Lisa Di Donato in our front office - lisa.didonato@nt.catholic.edu.au

Teaching & Learning Team

The Teaching & Learning Team members for 2022 are as follows:

APRE Mr Richard Bryant Richard.Bryant@nt.catholic.edu.au
SACE Coordinator Mr Nelson Tio Nelson.Tio@nt.catholic.edu.au
Inclusion Support Mrs Denise Simon Denise.Simon@nt.catholic.edu.au
VET/Careers Ms Tracey Ingui Tracey.Ingui@nt.catholic.edu.au

Please make contact with the relevant Coordinator if you have questions.

May God Bless you all,

Cherilyn Hughes Assistant Principal - Teaching & Learning

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Examinations timetable for 2022

External assessment



Date	South Australia 9 am Northern Territory 8 am China, Malaysia 7.30 am Vietnam 7 am Vanuatu 9.30 am	South Australia 1.30 pm Northern Territory 12.30 pm China, Malaysia 12 noon Vietnam 11.30 am Vanuatu 2 pm		
Tuesday 18 October				
Wednesday 19 October				
Thursday 20 October				
Monday 7 November	Mathematical Methods [2MHS20] 130 minutes	General Mathematics [2MGM20] 130 minutes		
Tuesday 8 November	English as an Additional Language [2EAL20] 160 minutes	Essential Mathematics [2MEM20] 130 minutes		
Wednesday 9 November	Economics [2EMS20] 130 minutes	English Literary Studies [2ELS20] 100 minutes		
Thursday 10 November	Physics [2PYI20] 130 minutes	Accounting [2ACG20] 130 minutes		
Friday 11 November	Biology [2BGY20] 130 minutes	Modern History [2MOD20] 130 minutes		
Monday 14 November	Chemistry [2CEM20] 130 minutes	Chinese (continuers) [2CHC20] 130 minutes Indonesian (continuers) [2INC20] 130 minutes Modern Greek (continuers) [2MGC20] 130 minutes Spanish (continuers) [2SPC20] 130 minutes Chinese (background speakers) [2CHD20] 130 minutes French (continuers) [2FRC20] 130 minutes		
Tuesday 15 November	Psychology [2PSG20] 130 minutes	German (continuers) [2GEC20] 130 minutes Italian (continuers) [2ITC20] 130 minutes Japanese (continuers) [2JAC20] 130 minutes Vietnamese (background speakers) [2VND20] 130 minutes Vietnamese (continuers) [2VNC20] 130 minutes		
Wednesday 16 November	Specialist Mathematics [2MSC20] 130 minutes	Nutrition [2NUT20] 130 minutes		
Thursday 17 November	Music Studies [2MSI20] 130 minutes	Legal Studies [2LEG20] 130 minutes		
Friday 18 November	Tourism [2TOS20] 130 minutes	Geography [2GHY20] 130 minutes		



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community,

The end of Term One saw us break for Easter. St John's Catholic College held our Easter Liturgy on the final day of Term bringing together Maundy Thursday, The Passion of Christ and Easter Sunday in the one celebration. We were joined by our Chaplain, Fr Adam who reminded us of the importance of Easter to all Christians. We remembered those who have served us at St John's not just during lent but during our time at St John's. These

staff and students were recognised in our "Washing of Feet" ceremony. Ms Letticha Clarke was remembered for her tireless work with all students, the compassion she shows all of us and her friendly calming nature in the school yard. Mr Samweli Msafiri was recognised for his work with the choir and his one-on-one work with younger students. Hussen Nditije was one of the students recognised as our servant leaders. He was recognised as a person who is selfless in his actions always capable of giving with, his hands and heart.

During assembly on the 23rd of April, we remembered those who fought for our peace and the peace of all Australians. ANZAC Day assembly celebrations at St Johns included two guest speakers. Staff member of 10 years, Mrs Erlandson, provided us with a great insight into her family and how they fought for our freedom. She allowed us to recognise and remember those First Nation Australians who fought and were most likely not remembered for their efforts when they returned or did not return to Australia. They became Australia's forgotten heroes.

Corporal Elizabeth Edwards was our second guest speaker, she joined the United Kingdom's Royal Air Force in 1997 where she served 10 years. In this role she provided the capabilities needed to ensure the security and defence of the United Kingdom and overseas territories, her role was to support the Government's foreign policy objectives particularly in promoting international peace and security. Following her 10-year career in British Royal Air Force Corporal Edwards joined the Australian Air Force in as an Air surveillance operator where she has currently served 12 years. An air surveillance operator must acquire and disseminate information from a high-tech network of radar and intelligence systems, to help detect illegal incursions or other threats to national security.

Corporal Edwards was joined at the assembly by her husband Sergent Ben Edwards who also serves in the Australian Air Force. Together they been deployed several times on tours in the Middle East. We were privileged to hear of their stories.

Boarders masses continued this term and our first one for the term focussed on the theme of "Welcome Back". Boarding staff were particularly involved in the preparation of this mass which included personalised prayers of the faithful, individual opening and closing prayers as well as some recorded messages from home. What made this mass even more special was that Bishop Charles was our principal celebrant.

He made time for us out of his busy ANZAC weekend to bless us, our houses, and our families. Thank you to Ben Humphrey (House Parent) who did a huge amount of preparation for this mass.

Upcoming events in the Student Formation space include "Cook for Good" which will occur every second Friday - on weeks 3, 5, 7 and 9 of Term Two in the Food Technology classrooms. Parents are more than welcome to join us.

May God bless you all.

Richard Bryant Assistant Principal Religious education







Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

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20th April 2022

Dear Year 12 students,

For guite a number of years the OLSH Sisters having been praying for Year 12 students as a way of showing interest and support. Our Sisters, have a great interest in the students of your College as we are one of the founding Congregations of your College and praying for you we see as one of the ways we are able to keep the connection evident even today.

This year we have sent to each of our OLSH Communities where Australian OLSH Sisters are both here in Australia and around the world the list of names of your Year Level. This list our Sisters will place somewhere special, like in the Chapel, so that they are reminded to pray for all of you often.

Please feel free to send me details of when your exams and other important events are during this year and I will pass these onto the Sisters so that they can say a few extra prayers at that time.

All the very best and God bless,

Sr Lorraine McCleary





FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: ADMINISTRATION



Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community

Party Program

Thank you to Mr. Andre Simon pastoral care and wellbeing coordinator for coordinating year 10 students to be able to attend PARTY Program. Thank you to teachers Mr Jay Sung, Ms Lakshmi Martinson and Mr Alexander Savage who supported and supervised students at the hospital.

Territory P.A.R.T.Y. is an initiative of the National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre (NCCTRC) and the Northern Territory Government. Together NCCTRC and the NTG are working to minimise alcohol related harm and the effect of trauma on youth.

Year level Assemblies

I would like to thank all staff for supporting the year level assemblies. Special thanks to the following staff who delivered the programs:

Year 7 - Mr Nelson Tio - enhancing skills to make a PowerPoint presentation which includes transition, Animation, voice over, hyperlink.

Year 8 - Mr Hasan Talukder & Victor Sun - Excel which includes formula and functions also use of mathematical app "Geogebra". 8.2 completed ready to learn plans and practiced self-regulation techniques.

Year 9 - Mrs Shinead Love - Harvard Referencing and intext referencing.

Year 11 & 12 - Ms Tracey Ingui - CDU presentation and SATAC information. Careers and VET information.

Vaccinations

Thank you to Mrs Lisa Di Donato and Mr Kevin Lafaber for organising and coordinating vaccinations for students.

Next few weeks:

- Street Smart High Year 11 (AANT Street Smart High will feature a realistic crash scene re-enactment involving vehicles, emergency services and actors. The aim of this re-enactment is to be as close as possible to a real-life crash. It is not designed to shock, but to realistically portray the events of a fatal car crash. Students will also hear from people whose lives have been affected by road trauma. Counsellors will be available to help students who find the topics explored too confronting, or if they bring back memories of loved ones who have been involved in a car crash.)
- Formation Day Year 8 (The College formation program is designed to create opportunities for students to experience beyond the classroom. This opportunity allows them to know their peers better, build and strengthen relationships.
- Semester 2 Subject Selection Subject selection forms will be given to students from Year 7-11 on Week 5 Friday 20 May.

Vaping:

The College takes the issue of vaping very seriously and has adopted a two-pronged approach to dealing with this issue, health awareness and firm consequences. The College is currently coordinating an information session to be delivered by health professionals regarding the health impacts of vaping. In addition, the College will review our Pastoral Care Program and Health Curriculum to include an increased presence of the health impacts of vaping.

With regards to firm consequences, just like smoking cigarettes, any student caught in possession, using or supplying vapes or vaping paraphernalia will receive an external suspension. Ongoing issues regarding possession, use or supply will result in a review of enrolment.

To be clear, the College's aim is to work in partnership with parents and guardians to inform students of the dangers of vaping and the impacts on health. However, the College will not tolerate the possession, use or supply of vapes or vaping paraphernalia when on campus, when in college uniform, or when representing the College in any activity. With regards to the health impacts, the Department of Health, Western Australia reports that:

Vaping has been the cause of a number of deaths from acute lung disease. There are also an increasing number of studies that demonstrate that vaping has both short- and medium-term effects on the heart and lungs. The long-term health effects of vaping are still not known as it is a fairly new activity and some diseases, such as cancer, can take many years to develop. https://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/F 1/Health-effectsof-vaping

With regards to the law, it is illegal to sell or supply vapes and e-cigarettes to people under the age of 18:

The NT Tobacco Control Act 2002 was amended in 2019 to include electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes), and their accessories, as regulated products. Like traditional tobacco products, the sale of e-cigarettes requires a tobacco retail licence and the same restrictions that apply to the sale and consumption of tobacco apply to e-cigarettes. https://nt.gov.au/wellbeing/healthy-living/smoking In addition, by law, St John's Catholic College is a 'smoke free' environment.

Presentation

Students are expected to be well presented at all times. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted. This includes both cut and colour.

Students with longer hair are required to have their hair pulled back and tied neatly. Hair ties / bands are to be conservative in design and colour (black, navy, red, yellow, white).

Tattoos are not to be visible.

Makeup (if worn) is to be subtle and kept to a minimum. Heads of House will determine what is acceptable. As a guide:

- Lightly applied foundation permitted
- Lightly applied mascara permitted
- Eyeliner not permitted
- Nail polish not permitted

Jewellery:

Students are permitted to only wear the following accessories:

- One set of sleepers or studs in ears lobes only.
- Watch
- One simple ring
- Thin metal chain with a Christian symbol.
- Nose pins/rings are not allowed

Homeroom Teachers:

For Pastoral Care, the primary contacts are the following Homeroom Teachers:

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Attendance/Absences:

Parents / Guardians will receive a letter for students with less than 95% attendance each term. Students who meet the college attendance expectations of 95%+ or more are awarded certificates each Term. Parents / Guardians are requested to notify Lisa Di Donato, Student Services in the event of student absence. Lisa can be contacted on 08 8982 2222 or via Lisa.DiDonato@nt.catholic.edu.au In the event of an unexplained absence; the College notifies Parents / Guardians via our SMS service. Please ensure that the College has up-to-date family contact details.

Core Expectations - Stay Safe, Respect Everyone & Learn Everyday:

Homeroom teachers and pastoral care coordinator continue to reinforce our expectations in building and maintaining a safe, respectful learning community that is focused on our Catholic Identity and Learning. Core expectations:

- Stay Safe
- Respect Everyone
- Learn Everyday

Counsellors:

The College provides access to Catholic Care Counsellors. This service is available through the Health Centre

Semester 1 Term Break Dates 2022:

• Term 1 Break: Friday 8 - 18 April

• Term 2 Break: Monday 27 June - Friday 15 July

Key Dates - Term 2 Week 5 - 7, 2022:

5	15 May	16 May D3 CROC • 8:10am Morning briefing • Attendance Letters • Pastoral Care Team Meeting – 3.40pm AIEW Visits (Letticha and Lorraine)	17 May D4 DINGO SLT Meeting Street Smart High for year 11	18 May DS EAGLE Restorative Service / Academic Detentions	19 May D6 FROG • Yr 11 Retreat • Staff Meeting - Differentiation • Combined Principal Meetling	20 May D1 ANT NAPLAN window closes Yr 11 Retreat Year 8 Formation day Combined Principal Meeting Monday Bell times	21 May
6	22 May	23 May D2 BARRA 8:10am Morning briefing Semester 2 Subject Selection Year 12 tracking Report Process Commences Teaching & Learning Team Meeting—3:40pm	24 May D3 CROC SIT Meeting SIRF meeting	25 May D4 DINO D4 DINO Hestorative Service / Academic Detentions Open day - Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School Cornerstones Program (3-30pm - 5-30pm) 60 th ANNIVESARY Thanksgiving Mass and CELEBRATION	26 May DS EAGLE National Sorry Day No Staff Meeting Deputy Networking Meeting	27 May D6 RAO 6 Reconciliation Week Commences • Pastoral Care networking meeting • Assembly: Pro Diligentia Awards (Ayesha)	28 May
7	29 May	30 May D1 ANT • 8:10am Morning briefing • Pastoral Care Team Meeting – 3:40pm	31 May D2 BARRA SLT Meeting SLT Meeting Middle Netball (CDU Netball Stadium)	1 Jun D3 CROC Restorative Service / Academic Detentions Open day - St. Mary's Catholic Primary School	2 Jun D4 DINGO Year 12 teachers meeting 3.40pm - 4.40pm Inter School – Aussie Rules Boys (Middle School, TIO Stadium)	3 Jun D5 EAGLE Mabo Day Reconciliation Week Concludes Athletics Carnival	4 Jun

Ayesha Fatima Assistant Principal - Administration

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FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BOARDING



Welcome back:

As a gesture to welcome back our boarding students as they return to the College for Term 2, we arranged for a special Sunday afternoon last week

The College invited the Bishop of Darwin, Bishop Gauci to celebrate Mass with our students at the College; this was followed by a smoking ceremony led by Larrakia men Tony and Trent Lee. The smoking ceremony

is held by traditional owners of the land to cleanse the area and people involved of bad spirits and to acknowledge and notify the ancestors of this country for safe passage on the land.

The most important focus of our boarding operations is to keep our students safe and to have them feel safe and comfortable while they are living with us at the College, and in Darwin, on Larrakia land. With our students coming from a range of different traditional lands across the Northern Territory into Darwin, the smoking ceremony is a big part in welcoming students back, but also allowing them to feel safe and comfortable on someone else's traditional lands

It is also an important part of traditional culture to 'welcome' people from outside of the area onto your land and wish them safe passage. We thank Tony 'Duwun' Lee and his son Trent Lee for coming and running this ceremony for our students and for making us all feel welcome here on Larrakia land.

I would also like to thank Yanyuwa woman, Senator Malarndirri McCarthy for her presence on this day and for her gentle leadership of our students within the Boarding House at different times.

Kind Regards

Scott Mannion Director of Boarding







FROM THE ACTING BUSINESS MANAGER



Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community,

Welcome back to term 2.

Thank you to all our families that have settled their accounts for this year.

The College would like to request families who still have outstanding fees to make payments at your earliest convenience.

Our finance team endeavours to work closely with families for payments of school fees. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the Finance Department at 8982 2209 or finance.stjohns@nt.catholic.edu.au.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me on Phone: 08 8982 2222 or via email: <u>SJ.BusinessManager@nt.catholic.edu.au</u>

Regards

Gayan Abeysekara





SJ Basketball Singlets Now Available \$40 from the Cricket & Football Shop





FROM THE PASTORAL CARE AND WELLBEING COORDINATOR



Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community,

Friday, last week our Year 10s participated in the PARTY(Prevention of Alcohol-Related Trauma in Youth) program at the RDH. It was a day filled with experiences and activities. The staff facilitating the program were amazed at our well-disciplined Year 10s. They even commented our students, for not only being so well-mannered and engaged, but also so well coordinated. They in fact said "This is the first group who

have worked so well. Well done!"

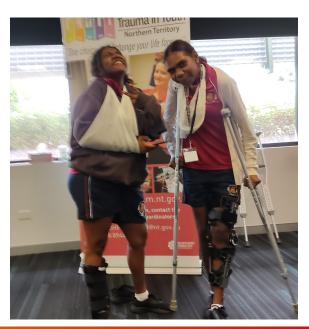
The same day at school our Year 7,8,9,11 & 12s were engaged in various activities during Assembly time. While Year 7s were engaged in Word/PowerPoint and the nuances of the two programs. Year 8s were involved in Excel/GeoGebra and Self-regulation/Ready to learn plans. The activities for year 7s were conducted by Mr Tio, while Mr Talukdar and Mr Sun conducted activities for 8.1. 8.2 was managed by Ms Fatima whereby our 8.2 class were instructed on the reason and effects of de-stressing and Self-Regulation. Our year 9s had a very informative session by Ms Love on Harvard Referencing which most students found very effective and useful. Finally our Year 11 & 12s listened in rapt silence to SATAC information delivered by guest speakers.

I would like to thank all our Homeroom teachers who are doing an excellent job of managing and keeping their students engaged during homeroom. I would also like to thank St. John's Catholic College Community for making all the new staff feel welcome. It is indeed a place of Belonging.

Kind regards

Andre Simon Pastoral Care & Wellbeing Coordinator









GOOD NEWS STORIES

From Miss Anna Watt

A fearsome fight between a crocodile and a shark, three pigs living in New Pork City, and a prowling dingo with an appetite for children were some of the imaginative and haunting stories told by our St John's students on their latest excursion.

Seven students from the Stage 1 Community Studies class had the opportunity to show-case their authorship to the Years 4, 5 and 6 students and their teachers at St Mary's Catholic Primary School. The students each created a storybook based off a cultural story for their community project, with culture stories ranging from Indonesian folk lore to Aboriginal Dreaming.

Earlier in the week, students had the additional privilege of a visit to the Casuarina Library, where they met with published Aboriginal author Maree Yoelu McCarthy and Indigenous Services Officer Joanne Wood. They had the opportunity to practice reading their stories to these two writing experts at the library, and received feedback on their work prior to their showcase at the primary school.

It was a delight to see the students putting their newly-developed presenting skills into practice at St Mary's. Despite feeling quite nervous in walking up to the classrooms, they embraced the challenge by introducing themselves to the students and reading their stories with animation and expression.

The students quickly gained confidence as they read, and won the attention of the students and staff - you could hear a pin drop in the classrooms!

The story time session was a great achievement and learning curve for the Community Studies students, who put their presenting-faces on and stepped up to the challenge. It was a rewarding and heartwarming day for all involved. A big thank you to the St Mary's staff for welcoming us with smiles into their classrooms, and for Levi for driving the bus for us.



Stage 1 Community
Studies





FROM THE SACE COORDINATOR



Dear Members of the St John's Catholic College Community,

On 10th March 2022, I had the privilege of attending the Business Innovation Strategy 2.0 Launch at the Northern Australia Development Office, where a number of our students were awarded prizes by Hon Paul Kirby (Minister for Small Business) for their participation in Innovation Zone 2021.

Huge congratulations to Ester Nirigi, Reuben Thomas, and Lavaigne Elambo for winning the prizes!









Regards

Nelson Tio SACE Coordinator

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