

ST PETER'S NEWS

CHALLENGING OUR STUDENTS THROUGH A FOCUS ON EXCELLENCE



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MESSAGE FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Students

I trust and hope that this edition of our College Newsletter finds you all well. It's difficult to believe that we are halfway through the year and winter (if such temperatures allow us to call it that)!

World Youth Day Pilgrimage

As you sit reading this article, a group of our beautiful Year 10 and 11 students - Abigail, Anna, Apryl, Charlea, Emma, Harmony, Kayla, Kiara, Noah and Phoebe, are taking part in this year's World Youth Day celebrations in Portugal accompanied by Mr Tobin, Mr Hildebrandt and Mr Sharpe.

World Youth Day (WYD) was initiated by Pope John Paul II in 1985. I remember going to see him when he came to Ireland in 1979. I was 11 and I distinctly remember the intense feeling I felt when I saw him kiss the ground in Dublin airport and then deeper still when he said to us **'Young people of Ireland, I love you'**. I had never, and still haven't witnessed such an outpouring of joy and fervour since that day. John Paul II, since canonised a saint, had a deep respect and love for the youth. He had an innate ability to ignite a rapport with them, and I suppose to some degree brought the church back in vogue.

John Paul entrusted the environment, the vulnerable, the weak, and the marginalised into the care of the youth. He reminded them that **"The Church needs your energies, your enthusiasm, your youthful ideals, in order to make the Gospel of Life penetrate the fabric of society, transforming people's hearts and the structures of society in order to create a civilisation of true justice and love."**

Since then, we have seen Pope Benedict XVI and the much-loved Pope Francis continuing with this legacy. Benedict, a very quiet unassuming man, had a strong connection with the youth. He wanted the youth to know that God had a profound love for them. He asked them to open their hearts by saying:

"Do not be afraid of Christ. If we let Christ into our lives, we lose nothing, absolutely nothing of what makes this life free, beautiful, and great. Only in this friendship are the doors of life opened wide. Only in this friendship do we experience beauty and liberation. And so, today, with great strength and great conviction, on the basis of a long personal experience of life, I say to you, dear young people: Do not be afraid of Christ! He takes nothing away, and He gives you everything. When we give ourselves to Him, we receive a hundredfold in return."

Hoping that Pope Francis will be well enough to travel to Portugal on the 1st of August, we draw to mind the advice he gave our young people;

"Never lose the courage to dream big and to live life to the full! Adopt the culture of care and spread it. Become champions of fraternity."

Face life's challenges by letting yourselves be guided by God's faithful creativity and by good counsellors. The Church is with you and needs each one of you".

Keeping with the spirit of this message, the Church certainly does need our youth and dare I say, more now than ever. For the 10 students who represent St Peter's in Portugal, we pray that their faith will be deepened by this experience; we pray that their hearts will be made whole, and we pray that they receive the power that sees them going out into this world as voices for the voiceless, as defenders of the defenceless and as beacons of Christ undying love.

Staffing Update

As you know Mr Hopley left the College last term leaving a gap in our leadership team, I would like to congratulate Mrs Candice Little who has accepted the role of Assistant Principal Evangelisation and Catechism on a temporary basis until the end of 2023 and with Mrs Little stepping up into the Assistant Principal role, Mr Mitchell Dryden, who will be stepping into the Director of Wellbeing role temporarily for the same period.

Both these significant roles are in very capable hands and I am sure you will make both feel very welcome.

Student Leaders for 2024

Today it gives me great pleasure to introduce the College leadership team for 2024. I offer my congratulations and thanks to each of these students for putting themselves forward and now accepting the responsibility of leadership.

I also wish to acknowledge and thank the students who nominated for leadership that were unsuccessful in the process. Each person who nominated would have made a fine leader and I thank them for putting themselves forward and I hope they continue to accept invitations to be involved in leadership activities as they come up.

This newly elected team will go away on camp together soon where they will, firstly, get to know each other and recognise the combined skill set of the team. They will learn to work together, set goals for the team and during the process, select the College Captains and portfolio leaders. The current Year 12 leaders finish up their roles at the end of Term 3 with the newly elected leaders commencing their time in office at the beginning of Term 4.

We wish our newly elected leaders well as they prepare for the challenge and reasonability that lies ahead of them.

Until our next newsletter, God bless and as always, thank you for entrusting your child into our care.

Rosin McVeigh
Acting Principal

Congratulations

2023/24 STUDENT LEADERS



Alexander
Bates



Tristan
Byrne



Trenton
Cooper



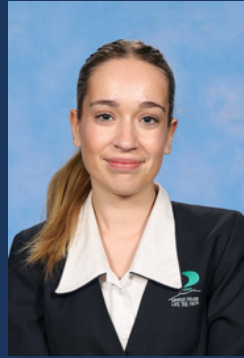
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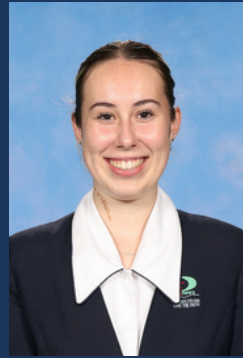
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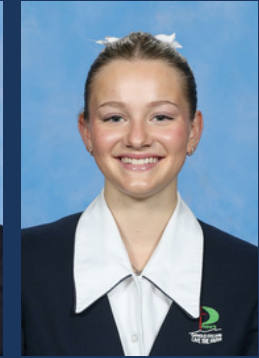
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Chloe
MacKillop



Nathan
Madarang



Amy
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Zane
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Eva
Murphy



Emily
O'Sullivan



Krish
Sharma



Evelina
Sheptitsky



Eliza
Thompson



Charlea
Turner



Taya
White

EVANGELISATION & CATECHESIS



Feast Day of Saint James the Apostle (25 July)

James, the brother of John the Evangelist, was the first Apostle to be martyred. He was beheaded by order of Herod of Agrippa. The Gospels tell us that the two brothers left their father, Zebedee, and followed Jesus as soon as He called out to them.

James was one of the three Apostles who were particularly close to the Lord. He was there with the Lord and his brother, John, and Peter at the Transfiguration and in the Garden of Gethsemane.

He is known as James "the Greater" to distinguish him from the other Apostle by the same name. The title has little to do with his function or the people's regard for him. Rather, it was a term indicating that he was the elder of the two.

He is the patron saint of Spain and of pilgrims. And as our World Youth Day pilgrims travel to Lisbon, Portugal, near the Eucharistic Miracle of Santarem and the Shrine of Fatima we pray to Saint James to be their companion on the walk, their breath in their weariness, their light in the darkness, and their strength in their intentions.

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/saint/st-james-547>

Feast Day Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Virgin Mary (26 July)

According to the "Protoevangelium of James," Joachim was a wealthy man. But when Joachim went to the temple to offer his gifts, as was the custom of his people, he was refused entrance. He was told that since he had no children, he was not worthy to offer his gifts to God. Joachim even researched the Twelve Tribes of Israel and found out that he was the only one of the righteous men who did not have a child. This greatly disturbed him, and instead of going home to his wife, Anna, he went out into the wilderness for forty days and forty nights and fasted, living only on prayer.

As the story goes, Anna then mourned for both the loss of her husband and for being childless. But because it was a time of celebration in the Jewish faith, Anna cleaned herself up and put on her wedding garments.

She then went out into the garden, sat under a tree, and prayed to God to bless her with a child, just as God had blessed Sarah with a son, Isaac. Just as Anna was lamenting that all of creation except her – even the birds and beasts – were fruitful, an angel appeared to her and told her that God had heard her prayer and that she would conceive and bear a child. Anna rejoiced and said she would bring her child as an offering to God to minister all the days of his/her life.

Then two angels came to Anna and told her that Joachim was returning. An angel had also appeared to Joachim and told him to go home because his prayer had been answered and his wife would conceive a child. As Joachim was returning with his flocks, Anna was at the gate and when she saw him she ran and threw her arms around his neck.

The story continues that on his first day back, Joachim rested. The next day, he returned to the temple with his offering of gifts, and this time his offering was accepted. He left the temple and went home rejoicing and giving glory to God. After nine months, Anna bore a daughter, whom she named Mary. And that is the story of Mary's conception and birth, as recorded in the "Protoevangelium of James."

The Feast Day on 26 July is a Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, also the grandparents of Jesus. It was in the home of Saints Joachim and Anne where the Virgin Mary received her training to be the Mother of God. Thus, devotion to Anne and Joachim is an extension of the affection Catholics have always professed toward our Blessed Mother. We, too, owe a debt of gratitude to our parents for their help in our Christian formation. The Church invokes this saintly couple as the patron of grandparents.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2023-07-26>

2023 Religious Creative Arts Competition

Join us for the ultimate celebration of creativity and talent at Catholic Schools Broken Bay's highly anticipated 2023 Religious Creative Arts Competition. Open to all students from Kindergarten to Year 10, this event features five exciting categories, including visual arts, dance, drama, music, and short film. Finalists will have the opportunity to perform or display their work at a special 'Showcase' performance evening, with industry performers and judges in attendance.

Don't miss out on this incredible chance to showcase your creative talent!

- Stage 1 – Entries close, 18 August
- Stage 2 – Finalists judging, 7 September
- Stage 3 – Finalists showcase evening, 24 October

Register your interest at your school and mark the important dates on your calendar.

Candice Little and Owen
Director of Wellbeing 

2023

RELIGIOUS CREATIVE



COMPETITION

WORKS TO BE INSPIRED BY THIS YEAR'S
THEME...

Compassion

“... be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble.”

1 Peter 3:8



MARY MAC'S
PLACE

**PROUDLY SUPPORTING THE
WORK OF MARY MAC'S PLACE**

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- Stage 1 - Competition closes 18 August 2023.
- Stage 2 - Finalists judging 7 September 2023.
- Stage 3 - Finalists showcase evening 24th October 2023.

Register your interest at your school and mark the important dates on your calendar. Get ready to make your mark in the world of art and entertainment!

MORE INFO

Entries Close 18 August 2023



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
Broken Bay

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF STUDIES

Year 9 & 10 2024 Subject Selection

We have arrived at that exciting time of the year where our Year 8 and 9 students have the opportunity to take some control over the daily life at school with the selection of additional or elective subjects to study next year.

For our incoming Year 9 students is the first opportunity for them to have input into what they study in high school, whilst for our current Year 9's who have been studying their first two electives now for 6 months, it is any opportunity to try something new next year.

The elective choices at St Peter's is varied, giving the opportunity for both boys and girls to study courses that they are interested in, and in which they can succeed.

In selecting the electives, it is important that students consult with their teachers and the curriculum team of the College. Consultation is an important part of the process, as it allows each student to get an "in depth view" of what Year 9 & 10 are about and what is required to successfully study a given subject during this next important stage of their education.

Subject Selection Information Evening

To begin the process we will be holding an information session for parents, carers and students next week, **Tuesday 1 August** at 6.00pm via ZOOM.

During the session Miss Roisin McVeigh and myself will outline the subject selection process and provide all the information you will need to assist your son or daughter in with the selection of their elective subjects for 2024. The meeting will also give an understanding of expectations in Stage 5.

Subject Selection Meeting Details

When: Tuesday 1 November 2023

Where: Zoom Online Meeting

Time: 6.00pm - 7.00pm approximately

Joining the ZOOM Meeting

To join the meeting please click the link posted below. Please remember to mute yourself and turn your camera on when joining the meeting.

<https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/65710385574>

Where to from here?

Following the meeting families will be given access to the Subject Selection Handbook website, which will allow you and your child to explore each subject in depth prior to making selections.

Thank you in advance and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 1 August.

Year 11 2024 Subject Selection

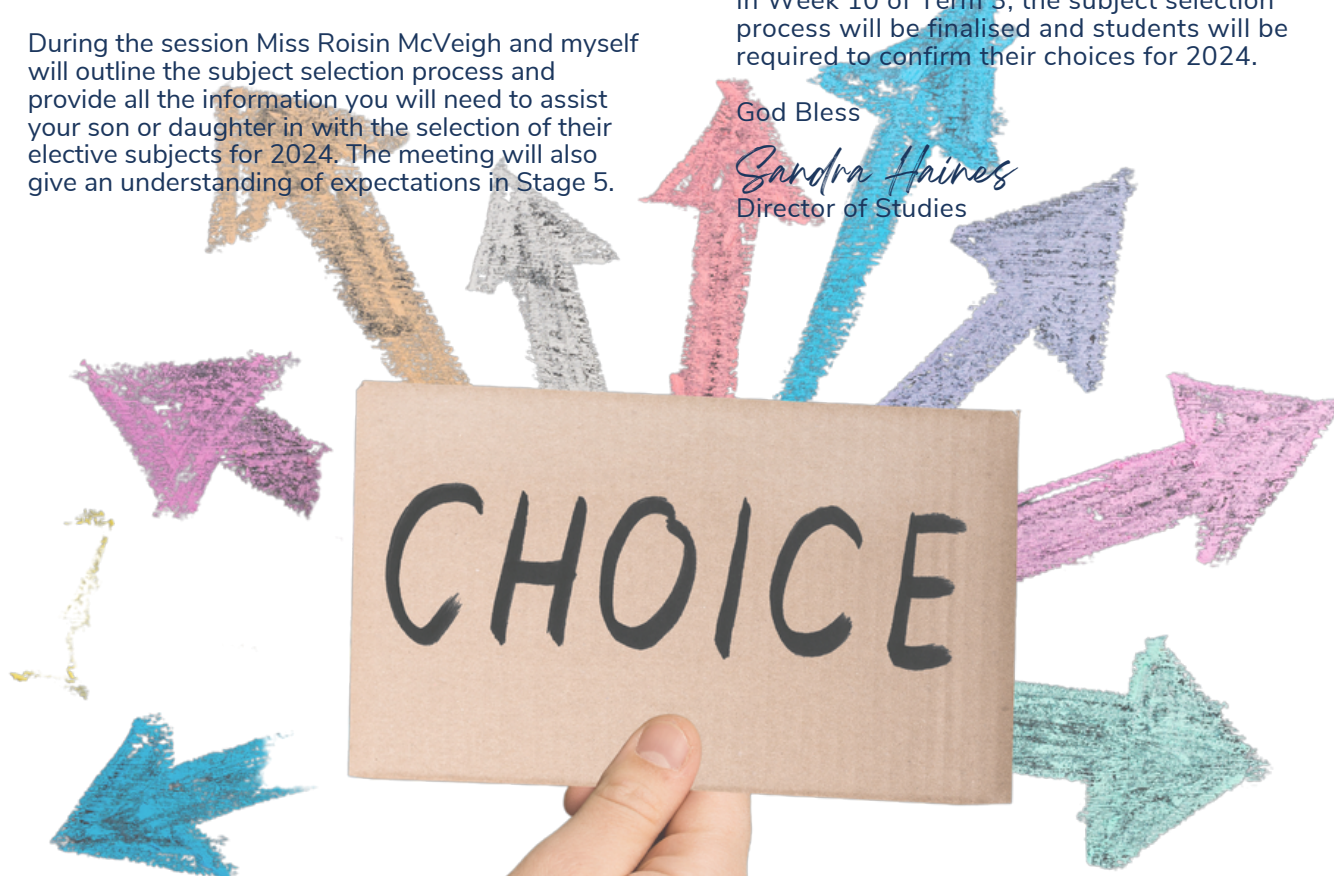
All subject choices should now have been submitted into EDVAL for Year 10 students who are progressing on to Year 11 in 2024. The College will now be working to prepare the subject timetable for 2024.

In Week 6 and 7 of this term, Year 10 parents and students will be booked for one on one meetings with key personnel from the College for their Stage 6 re-enrolment meeting. In this meeting will discuss the expectations of Stage 6, subject choices, future plans and the Senior Student Contact. Further information will be released in the lead up to these meetings regarding bookings.

In Week 10 of Term 3, the subject selection process will be finalised and students will be required to confirm their choices for 2024.

God Bless

Sandra Haines
Director of Studies



CHOICE

WELLBEING @ ST PETER'S IN 2023

Director of Wellbeing

I would like to introduce Mr Mitchell Dryden as the Acting Director of Wellbeing for Semester 2 2023. In the past Mr Dryden has worked with our senior students in the capacity as Leader of Wellbeing and Assistant Leader of Wellbeing.

Parent Webinar - How to Help Get (& Keep!) Your Child Motivated

We're excited to announce that on Wednesday August 2nd, Elevate Education will be hosting its first free webinar of the term for parents.

Elevate Education works with our students, delivering high impact workshops on study skills, motivation, wellbeing, and exam preparation. By tuning into their webinar series you will learn how you can help better support your children at home through reinforcing the skills they learn at school:

When: Wednesday 2nd August
Topic: How to Help Get (& Keep!)Your Child Motivated
Register: [Click here to register for free](#)

Here's what Elevate will be covering on the night:

- ✓ What impact does praise and reassurance have on your child's motivation?
- ✓ What are the best type of goals to be setting with your child?
- ✓ How can you help your child create meaningful and lasting motivation?

Candice Little and Owen 
Director of Wellbeing



STAGE 4 NEWS YEAR 7 YOU'VE PASSED THE HALFWAY POINT

Term 3 Week 1 saw Year 7 students pass the halfway mark of their first year of high school and this was acknowledged with an Awards Ceremony on Thursday 20 July. Almost 70 students were awarded Pursuit of Excellence awards and 15 students received an Academic Excellence award. Congratulations to all award recipients.

St Peter's Day

The last day of Term 2 saw students celebrate St Peter's Day with lots of activities, food and laughter. One World Day saw many different foods which were cooked by staff from various cultures around the world. There were Green Curries, Butter Chicken, Hot dogs, Vietnamese rolls, Lasagne, Aussie BBQ and Soups just to name a few.

The highlight was the staff/student basketball match with the staff coming out victorious on the day. A close second was the Karaoke with Miss Davison and Miss Miller also belting out the tunes (and dance moves).

Year 7 ILP

In 7ILP students are enjoying how their vegetable gardens are growing and can't wait for harvest time.

The students water, weed, fertilize and watch the progress of the plants. There are carrots, potatoes, spinach, and lots more.

Chess Club

The Chess Team is growing in numbers and enjoy their sessions every Wednesday at Break 1 in the library and will welcome more if any student wants to join.

Sport

Our netballers competed in the Broken Bay Netball Tournament on Thursday and brought home the trophy!! Well done to the entire team.

Harry S has qualified for State in his age group for Tennis, what an awesome achievement! A huge congratulations and we look forward to future results.

Lexi R recently competed at the Snow Australia Interschools Snowsport Championships. She performed amazingly qualifying for the State Finals with a silver medal in the Giant Slalom and 4th place in the Snowboard Cross event. Well done Lexi and we wish her the best of luck for the State Finals later in the year!

If any student has participated in an activity outside of school and they would like to share with the St Peter's Community, please let us know.

Until next time stay safe.

Tony Brosnan & Sue Briggs



STAGE 5 NEWS - BRING ON SEMESTER 2

Welcome back!

Another term has kicked off- Term 3 has come steaming in fast. Who else can't believe we are already halfway through this year?

Year 9 students have returned to school well after their break from the holidays, which we hope were restful and appreciated.

The general feel of the return to school has been really positive and it's wonderful to see everyone displaying themselves with pride.

Reminders

A reminder that the uniform continues to be monitored here at school.

Year 9 have done an excellent job with their return holistically, but the little things still count. Wearing blazers to homeroom and on the bus, tucking shirts in, the length of the skirts and hair cuts have been the little things slipping through.

As a cohort though, we are very impressed with how you have all presented back to school. Well done!

Don't forget, it's camp term! Camp choices should be well and truly finalised, and all appropriate information and documentation can be found on the events on compass.

We will hold some final camp assemblies in the upcoming weeks for any final discussions, but if there is anything immediate, please let us know.

This also counts for students who aren't coming to camp; if you haven't notified Mr Lawicki or Miss Moroney yet, please do so. Otherwise, enjoy the packing (its cold so be prepared!) and get excited!

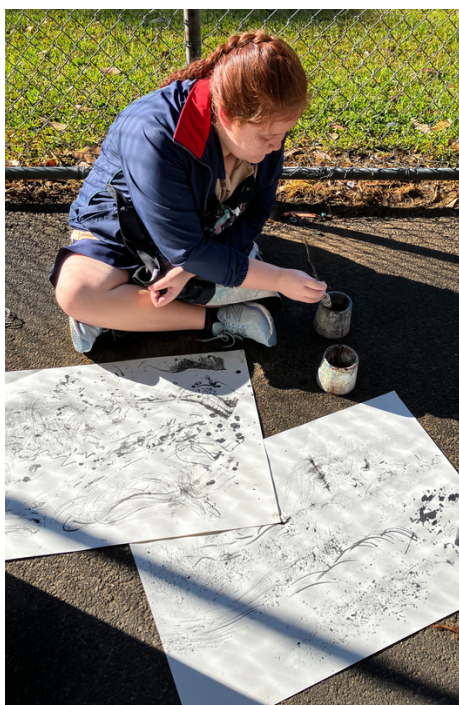
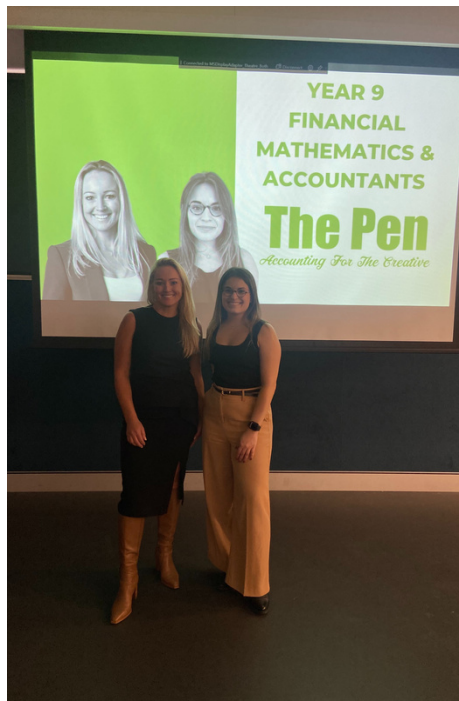
Year 9 Subject Selections

The Subject Selection Information Evening will be held next **Tuesday 1 November via ZOOM**. The session will commence at 6pm.

Please check Compass for further information and the link to the Zoom meeting.

As always, our door is always open. If there's anything you need, please come and let us know.

Czes Lawicki & Jessica Moroney



SPORTS NEWS

Year 7 Sport

Year 7 have been enjoying the variety of sports offered during their double periods during the last term. Not only having fun but gaining skills and fitness. During Term 3 Year 7 will continue their sport rotation and experience a variety of activities including:

- Ashayne Fitness
- Gymnastics at Ultimate Gymnastics
- Basketball with Central Coast Basketball
- Indoor Sports at Niagara Park Stadium

Year 8 Sport

For Term 3 Year 8 will rotate to a new sport in their single period. Their activities will include:

- Boxing with Ashayne
- Basketball with Central Coast Basketball
- AFL with NSW AFL
- Rugby/Touch

In the double period students will rotate through sessions with an exciting range of providers including:

- Ultimate Gymnastics
- Soccer with Rose Academy

This term as Central Coast Indoor Centre is closed for refurbishment, the College has decided to send Year 8 to the Mark Churcher Golf Academy at Tacoma for the remainder of the term.

The Year 8 Sport Periods also allow our representative students time to train in our Targeted Programs for Rugby League and Netball with our qualified coaches. Thank you to Ally Pana (Netball) and Jacob Hawkins (League, Oztag and Touch) for their dedication to these programs.

Year 9 & 10 Sport

Last term Year 9 and 10 completed their sport choices for Semester 2. In the single period students were given the choice of a range of sports:

- Targeted Rugby League
- Netball
- Soccer
- Table Tennis
- Basketball
- Leisure Activities (Badminton, Bocci, Dodgeball, Ultimate Frisbee)
- Walking

Whilst in their double period they could choose:

- Surfing
- Mingara Group Fitness
- Castle Weight Training
- Bungee Fitness
- Tennis
- Golf
- Ten Pin Bowling
- Niagara Park Indoor Centre

We look forward to another great term of Sport at St Peters.

Duncan Little

Representative News

In Representative news the College finished Term 2 in a strong fashion, having our Open Girls AFL team finish 3rd in NSW and our 7/8 Girls Oztag team qualifying for State finals. More recently the Broken Bay Netball Championships were held in Pennant Hills, again with some favourable results. Our Open Girls team finished 3rd overall and our Year 7 Girls were dominant champions winning the final 19-1.

For the remainder of the term we will see our 7/8 Girls compete in both Oztag and Touch Football State Finals, our girls Rugby League teams compete in the Isabelle Kelly/Katrina Fanning Cups, Basketball teams compete in the Broken Bay Championships, our college travel to Homebush for Broken Bay athletics, Junior and Inter Boys Rugby 7s and Junior and Inter Girls Aussie Rules.

This term we will also see the return of the Rugby League Challenge in which our Stage 5 Boys and Girls compete to defend the St Peters/Mackillop Cup in Rugby League.

Gold, Gold, Gold for Joey in 2023 including at the NSW All Schools Cross Country Championships

Congratulations to Joseph F (Year 12) who has completed a golden 2023 cross country trifecta winning the Boys 17-19 ACME at the NSW All Schools Cross Country Championships last week at Eastern Creek.

Joseph has competed in school pathway Multiclass Cross Country events and been a member of the Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) and NSW Combined Catholic Colleges (NSWCCC) Team for the past three years.

Joey was awarded a NSWCCC Blue Award in 2022 for his Cross Country achievements, and started his 2023 cross country campaign in style, winning his 3km event at the Catholic Schools Broken Bay Championships and NSWCCC championships in Term 2.

Joey was one of almost 40 Catholic Schools Broken Bay Secondary students who qualified for these state school championships which sees the best athletes in NSW across all 3 schooling systems compete for a place at the School Sport Australia Championships.

Congratulations Joey!

Jacob Hawkins



HOSPITALITY HOSTED A WONDERFUL XMAS IN JULY

On Tuesday 18 July the College hosted our annual Christmas in July luncheon for the Wyong Catholic Parish. Our very talented Year 11 VET Hospitality students, guided by their incredible teachers Mrs Gregory and Ms Clarke, presented two delicious courses of Michelin Star standard! The luncheon was held in our fully equipped Trade Training Centre kitchens and café, which was transformed into a beautiful Christmas wonderland to set the scene for our guests.

Our attendees included Father Alex Barnedo and Parishioners from the Wyong Catholic Parish, Marta Chylewska, Principal from St Cecilia's Primary School Wyong and Marcel Arendse, Principal from St John Fisher Catholic School, and Parent Engagement Coordinator, Jo Helm, Youth Ministry Co-ordinator, Michael Tobin, Assistant Principal, Roisin McVeigh, and Principal, Tim Hildebrandt.

During the lunch a raffle was held and our parishioners raised \$525 in donations which is going directly to the Parish to support the Parish's youth services.

The event was a beautiful way to bring together our Wyong Parish community and Wyong Parish feeder schools, building our relationships and connections.

Thank you to all that attended, we hope you enjoyed the event. And a special mention to our wonderful Year 11 VET Hospitality students, their teachers, and staff for presenting a luncheon of first-class standards!





2023 Non-Government Schools Census collection notice

The Australian Government Department of Education (the department) would like to advise all staff, parents and guardians that it will collect certain information about your school, its staff and student body as part of the 2023 Non-Government School Census collection (the Census).

How and what information is collected for the Census?

Census information is provided to the department by your school legal entity (the approved authority) via the [SchoolsHUB](#) website.

The Census provides information about your school and the number and characteristics of the school's staff and student body during a specific reference period. Characteristics collected through the Census include:

- teaching and non-teaching staff
- students' year level and workload
- students' gender and age (as on 1 July 2023)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff and students
- students with disability
- students receiving distance education
- boarding and overseas students.

The names of students and staff are not collected, apart from the name, position and contact details of the staff member nominated as the primary contact for the Census.

Census special circumstances applications

Census special circumstances applications may also be made by schools to include a student/s who did not attend during the Census reference period but otherwise meets Census eligibility requirements. Schools will provide the department with information and documents about the student demonstrating their eligibility. The department does not require personal information about a student and asks schools to de-identify any documents before providing them.

Purpose of the Census collection

The information provided during the Census is collected by the department in accordance with the Australian Education Act 2013 (the Act) and the Australian Education Regulation 2013 (the Regulation). The Act and the Regulation require the legal entity responsible for the administration of the school (the approved authority) to provide this information to the department to:

- Ensure the provision of Australian Government funding to schools is properly calculated and appropriately managed.
- Conduct research, statistical analysis and develop school education policy for the Australian Government.
- Meet national and international reporting obligations on school students in Australia.
- Publish and provide information about schools to the public.

Use and disclosure of personal information Your personal information is protected by law under the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) (Privacy Act). Personal information is information or an opinion about an identified individual or an individual who is reasonably identifiable.

Any use or disclosure of your personal information must occur in accordance with the Privacy Act, the Act and Regulation and any other applicable laws.

Your personal information provided to the department through the Census may be:

- Used or disclosed by the department for the purposes outlined above under the heading Purposes of the Census collection.
- Disclosed to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) to publish on the My School website and include as high-level data for ACARA's National Report on Schooling in Australia.
- Disclosed to state and territory government departments and authorities in accordance with the Act and Regulation.
- Disclosed to Australian Government departments and authorities in accordance with the Act and Regulation.
- Disclosed to non-government school representative bodies in accordance with the Act and Regulation.
- Disclosed to a contracted auditor where the department decides to audit or verify the information provided by an approved authority about a school. The contracted auditor may use previously collected information or request access to individual student records for comparison purposes. The contractors may pass this information onto officers within the department, if there is a discrepancy in the data provided by the school and the school's records and further investigation is required. The contracted auditor must handle personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act.
- Disclosed to its service providers for the purposes of the provision of information and communications technology support services to the department.
- Used to validate data from other collections undertaken by the department.
- Used or disclosed where it is otherwise required or authorised by law including under the Act or Regulation, or otherwise permitted under the Privacy Act.

Other than in exceptional circumstances (for example, investigation of fraud relating to overseas students), the department does not disclose any of the personal information collected to overseas recipients.

You can find the department's privacy policy on the [Department of Education website](#) or request a copy from the department at privacy@education.gov.au. The privacy policy includes information about how to access or correct personal information held about you or your child, how to make a complaint about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles and how the department will deal with such a complaint.

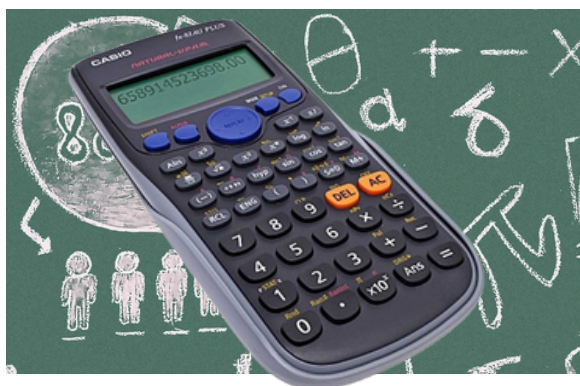
What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. The approved authority of the school is responsible for providing the information to the department.

Contacts for further information

Your school can provide information about data provided for you or your child for the purposes of the Census. To find out more about the Census collection and reporting, visit [SchoolsHUB](#).

MATHS HELP EVERY TUESDAY



Maths support is available every Tuesday during Break 1 in the Explore Zone of the Library.

If your child is struggling with concepts or particular topics we encourage them to come along and discuss with Ms Mitchell and her team of Maths whizzes.

Calculators are also available for daily hire from the College Library, for more information please see Ms Skarstein & the Library Staff.

Teresa Mitchell

Leader of Learning - Mathematics



YEAR 7 & 8 SUBJECT ROTATIONS

As Semester 2 begins, it is timely to remind parents and all Stage 4 students that course changes in Creative Arts and TAS will occur from the start of this term.

All Year 7 and 8 students in Music during Semester 1 will transfer to Art, whilst the reverse will be the case for those completing Visual Art. Class groupings will remain the same – students simply change courses.

TAS students in Year 7 and 8 will move through to the next context area. Agriculture and Food Technologies will rotate with the Material Technologies class while the Digital Technologies class will rotate with the Engineering Systems class.

Students will have seen these new classes appear in their Compass Calendar.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the many amazing works, performances, presentations and products created by students in Stage 4 last semester.

We are all looking forward to welcoming the new classes this term and to having the opportunity to support everyone's growth in Semester 2.

Thank you from Mrs Oram, Mr Wellings and Mr Burke.

Ian Burke

Leader of Pedagogy

UPCOMING EVENTS @ ST PETER'S

Thursday 27 July	•	Year 10 Geography Pioneer Dairy Excursion (Blue Side)
Friday 28 July	•	Year 10 Geography Pioneer Dairy Excursion (Green Side)
Friday 28 July	•	HSC Lockdown Study sessions conclude
Friday 28 July	•	Year 12 Dance Night
Monday 31 July	•	HSC Trials commence
Tuesday 1 August	•	Stage 5 2024 Elective Subject Selection Parent Information ZOOM
Tuesday 1 August	•	Stage 5 Visual Arts Art Gallery of NSW Excursion
Wednesday 2 August	•	Broken Bay Under 13/14 Girls & Boys Rugby League Gala Day
Wednesday 2 August	•	NSW All Schools Touch Football State Finals
Thursday 3 August	•	Year 11 Marine Studies Marine Show Excursion
Monday 7 August	•	Year 9 Camps commence (Surf Camp, Wee Jasper & Lake Burrendong)
Friday 11 August	•	Mary Mac's Fundraising Sausage Sizzle Event
Friday 11 August	•	Year 9 Camps conclude (Surf Camp, Wee Jasper & Lake Burrendong)
Monday 21 August	•	BOOK WEEK commences
Wednesday 23 August	•	Cabaret Night
Thursday 24 August	•	Book Week Parade
Friday 25 August	•	Year 9 Reflection Day
Sunday 27 August	•	2024 Student Leader Camp commences (TBC)
Tuesday 29 August	•	2024 Student Leader Camp concludes (TBC)
Thursday 31 August	•	AFL State Finals
Friday 1 September	•	Father's Day Liturgy
Friday 1 September	•	Year 12 Bush Dance

ANNOUNCEMENT



**WE HAVE A
NEW PHONE
NUMBER**

St Peter's phone system is currently being upgraded to a cloud-based phone system, resulting in a change to our phone number.

Calls coming through the current school phone number will be redirected to the new number for a short period of time before the number is cancelled at a later date.

St Peter's contact details will be updated in all school communication channels over the coming weeks.

We encourage you to update the school contact details in your devices as soon as possible to avoid confusion. We appreciate your support as we transition to this new phone system.

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