

# St Joseph's College

## NEWSLETTER



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### WEEK 3 AT THE COLLEGE

#### DAY 2 ~ TUESDAY 16 FEBRUARY

- ☐ Lions Youth of the Year Public Speaking (selected students)

#### DAY 3 ~ WEDNESDAY 17 FEBRUARY

- ☐ Ash Wednesday (9:10am in the Holy Family Chapel)
- ☐ Year 11 & 12 Parents & Students Information Evening (6:30-8:30pm in the Doyle Centre)

### Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Friends of St Joseph's College,

Welcome to Week 3 already of our 2010 academic year! Some highlights of the week:

Our College timetable is currently being restructured and new timetables will be delivered to students by Wednesday 24 February. After taking advice from colleagues, and listening to concerns and priorities raised by parents, teachers and students about the current timetable, it is being restructured to strengthen these priorities. The revised structure will reflect the following changes:

- Increased number of face to face hours for Year 11 and 12 students, and especially for students in their HSC Course, where the hours of face to face teaching will be more than what was available in the 2009 timetable.
- Increased emphasis on the areas of Mathematics, Science, HISE and English in the Junior phases of learning, above those available from the 2009 timetable, which will set the College up well to engage with the National Curriculum.
- Pastoral Care (or Learning Mentor Groups) will move to the start of the day enabling students to get a 'heads up' for the day.
- Periods will be shorter and hence more of them (6 per day), allowing for more frequent teacher contact during the 10 day cycle.

The present arrangements will remain in place until new timetables are ready for distribution, on or before Wednesday 24 February. This is a significant task, and the Catholic Education Office is assisting us both with professional expertise and additional resources as we plan for the best way to deploy these in the interests of the students.

My thanks to staff, students and parents who have taken the time and made the effort to express their opinions personally to me, and have taken up their authentic role as educational partners. Our educational partnership of excellence is based on this frank and thoughtful exchange of ideas, building together the priorities for our College. Your dedication is appreciated!

Alongside this restructure, as indicated last week, the College is preparing for the laptop rollout to students. I spoke with Year 11 and 12 students about the options available to them on Wednesday of last week, and this is being followed up by a letter of explanation to parents this week. Expected date of delivery for Seniors is Tuesday 2 March. They shall undertake a program of instruction regarding their responsibilities within this program, undertaking a commitment to cyber safe and anti-bullying behaviours, together with practical tutorials on the features, use and care of their laptops and data backing up.

Students in Years 7 to 10 will be trained and issued with laptops in the week 8-11 June. This is later than that advertised in the College calendar. This delay is to allow sufficient time to ensure all the potential settling issues following the 200 Senior laptop rollout are corrected before a further 550 laptops are distributed. A sizable task!

As usual with all large projects, the success is due entirely to the dedication of ICT project implementation teams of parents, College staff and Catholic Education Office personnel. Their tireless dedication, support and thoughtfulness have been extraordinary. My deeply appreciative thanks.

Last week we celebrated our College Commencement Mass, where the theme of 'What Must I Do?' picks up the call to hear Jesus' voice calling each of us to personal transformation and just action.

I look forward to meeting with parents as we reform our Parent Forum, where parents will have this as an additional opportunity to engage in every aspect of quality Catholic education offered within our College community, expressing together our desire for continuously improving the educational outcomes for students.

God's richest blessings for the week.

*Alain*  
Alain Sauvage



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Catholic Presbytery  
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St Joseph's Parish  
Tweed Heads

### PARISH YOUTH MASS

Our First 2010 Youth Mass will be held  
on Sunday 28 February  
(end of Week 5)

in the Holy Family Chapel,  
St Joseph's College,  
Doyle Drive, Banora Point  
commencing at 5:30pm

Youth Mass Dates for the remainder  
of 2010 are as follows:

#### TERM 1:

Week 9: Sunday 28 March

#### TERM 2:

Week 1: Sunday 25 April  
Week 6: Sunday 30 May  
Week 10: Sunday 27 June

#### TERM 3:

Week 1: Sunday 25 July  
Week 6: Sunday 29 August  
Week 10: Sunday 26 September

#### TERM 4:

Week 3: Sunday 31 October  
Week 7: Sunday 28 November

## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Joseph's Parish	St Anthony's Parish
<u>Saturday Vigil:</u> 6:00pm	<u>Saturday Vigil:</u> 6:00pm (Kingscliff)
<u>Sunday:</u> 7:00am & 9:00am	<u>Sunday:</u> 7:00am (Pottsville)
<u>Sunday:</u> 9:00am (Bilambil)	<u>Sunday:</u> 9:00am (Kingscliff)
Fr Michael Brady Parish Priest	Fr Jim Griffin Parish Priest



This Wednesday, 17 February  
in the Holy Family Chapel,  
in the Doyle Centre,  
commencing at 9:10am

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

### STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

A reminder to our parents of the College policy we introduced last year, regarding students leaving early from the school grounds.

For our new families, last year we implemented a policy for any student leaving early: (1) the child should have a signed parental note in their College Planner and (2) the child should meet their parent/carer at Parent Reception where they will be signed out of the College in the register kept for the purposes of students' early departures and those leaving from sickbay.

Under no circumstances should a child leave the school grounds without being in the company of their parent/carer or designated and responsible adult.

### 2010 NSW SCHOOL-BASED ADOLESCENT VACCINATION PROGRAM

NSW Health offers, through high schools state-wide, an annual adolescent vaccination program:

A D O L E S C E N T V A C C I N E S		
Age	Disease	Vaccine
12 Years	Hepatitis B	H-B-VAX II VARILRIX GARDASIL BOOSTRIX (school-based program)
	Varicella (Chicken Pox)	
	Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	
	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis	
15 Years	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis	BOOSTRIX

In 2010, the North Coast Area Health Service will again be offering a vaccination service at our school. The schedule for this year is as follows:

#### Years 7 - all students:

- Hepatitis B 2 doses: 1 March & 6 September
- Chickenpox vaccine 1 dose: 3 May
- Boostrix - Diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough vaccination 1 dose: 3 May

#### Year 7 - girls only:

- HPV vaccine (to prevent cervical cancer) 3 doses: 1 March, 3 May & 6 September

#### Year 10 - all students:

- Boostrix - Diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough vaccination 1 dose: 1 March

A Parent Information Kit will be provided for each vaccine offered and we include a kit for each of the 1 March vaccinations with today's newsletter. Each kit contains information about the vaccine and the disease that it protects against as well as a consent form for that vaccination. Parents need to read and sign each consent form and return to the College before the vaccination day if they consent to immunisation. A record of vaccination will be kept by the Area Health Service and a copy will be provided to the vaccinated student for their records.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the College Principal. Parents with any questions or concerns can contact Bernadette at the Public Health Unit on (02) 6620.7503

Mr Peter Lyon  
Deputy Principal

## IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT H1N1 SWINE FLU

A vaccine is now available to protect adults and children over the age of six months from swine flu. The vaccine, called Panvax®, has been approved by Therapeutic Goods Administration. NSW Health is encouraging everyone to obtain a free vaccination against this potentially life threatening illness. The Panvax® vaccine is available free from most general practitioners and Aboriginal Medical Services.

Some community health centres and council immunisation clinics are also offering the vaccine free of charge. Local public health units can provide more information about how to access Panvax® in the local area. Further information can be obtained through NSW Health: <http://www.emergency.health.nsw.gov.au/swineflu/vaccination/index.asp>.





**REMINDER:  
MESSAGES TO STUDENTS  
DURING THE SCHOOL DAY**

Parents and Caregivers please be aware that the office staff cannot disrupt teaching in order to deliver messages that are not of an urgent nature.

All home travel arrangements should be made prior to your child leaving for school and we seek parent's support in this regard.

We also cannot be phoning classrooms to advise students of the arrival of equipment they have arranged for their parents to bring in. It is the responsibility of students to check at Student Reception as we will not be calling them down to the office.

*Editor's Note: Please note the correction to the date for this year's Photo Day:*

**STUDENT PHOTO DAY**

**When:** Monday 15 March

**Cost:** Dependent on the individual order.

**Dress:** Full school uniform. Boys will need to wear their tie for the photo.

**Payment:** On the day – and directly to the photographer.

**Please note:** Every student will have an individual photo taken for their Student ID card. The cost of this is borne by the school.

**Valentine's Day SRC Fundraiser**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Valentine's Day SRC Fundraiser.

*Student Representative Council.*

**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

A small readjustment to the lunchtime bell is now reflected in the uniform shop hours:

**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS**  
Tuesdays and Thursdays


7:45am - 9:00am  
12:45pm - 1:30pm  
3:00pm - 3:30pm



Ms Debra Dawson  
Uniform Shop Manager

**POWER ROWERS...**  
Congratulations to Ben Walsh and Joel Collins. Both these students are champion rowers. Ben won the Under 17 Northern Rivers Age Rowing Title at Grafton recently. Ben and Joel won the Under 17 double rowing event.

Ben will compete in the Australian Titles on the 1st March in Victoria and we wish him the best of luck.



Clean Up Australia Day volunteers meet at the Kingscliff Boat Ramp, Faulks Park, Marine Parade, Kingscliff on Sunday 7 March 2010 between 8:00am and 11:00am. All welcome! Bags and certificates are provided. BYO gloves, hats, drinks. More info at <http://events.cleanup.org.au/Kingscliff>.

**Caritas Australia** is accepting donations to assist victims of the recent earthquakes in Haiti. Your donation will help provide medical assistance, shelter, water, food and sanitation to thousands of displaced people.

Call 1800 024 413, donate online at [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) or send your donation to GPO Box 9830 in your capital city.




**Work Opportunities for Women and Men Certificate 1 in Access to Work and Training (Course No. 9071)**

Do you want to develop your confidence, communication and computing skills to go onto work or further training? Subjects/units include:

- Internet and email
- Word processing
- Planning for employment/study
- Oral and written communication

**Attendance:** Part-time, 2 days per week  
Mondays 9.00am - 3.00pm and  
Wednesdays 9.00am - 12.00noon  
**Course Related Charges:** \$15.00

Ph: (02) 6674.7267 for more information

**CANTEEN NEWS & ROSTER**

**ASH WEDNESDAY MENU**  
This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and no meat products will be available from the Canteen. Please note that 'no meat products' includes items such as sausage rolls, hot dogs and meat pies. However, there will be an alternative menu of food items for sale. Our menu for the day will be as follows:

<b>Recess:</b>	Mini Salad Pot	\$1.50	
	Mini Salad Pot (with egg)	\$2.00	
	Cheese Rolls	\$1.30	
	Focaccia	\$2.00	
	Savoury Turnover	\$2.00	
	(ricotta, fetta, sun-dried tomato)		
	Pinwheels	\$1.00 a bag	
	Apple Turnovers	\$1.50	
	<b>Lunch:</b>	Cous Cous	\$4.00
		Cheese & Spinach Roll	\$3.00
Veggie Burger (lettuce & cheese)		\$2.50	
Vegie Burger (all salad)		\$4.00	
Fish Burger (lettuce, cheese & mayo)		\$3.00	
Fish Burger (all salad & mayo)		\$4.00	
Salmon, lettuce & onion sandwich		\$3.50	
Salmon & salad sandwich		\$4.00	
Tuna, cucumber & mayo sandwich		\$3.50	
Tuna salad sandwich		\$4.00	
Egg & lettuce sandwich		\$1.60	
Cheese & tomato toasted sandwich		\$1.80	
Curried egg & lettuce sandwich		\$1.80	
Egg & salad sandwich		\$3.50	
Salad sandwich		\$3.00	
Salad plate	\$3.00		
Fish & salad plate	\$4.50		
Tuna & salad plate	\$4.50		
Salmon & salad plate	\$5.00		
<b>Sushi:</b>	Tuna Delight	\$2.60	
	Salmon Delight	\$2.60	

*Rolls and Rollups 50c extra*

And of course, on Thursday we will return to normal service. Don't forget that our food menu is on the website if you would like to check out all the foodstuffs we have on offer.

Mrs Dianne Pinkstone  
Canteen Manager

# Community Noticeboard

## ADVERTISING POLICY:

- Advertising in the College Newsletter is FREE for community groups.
- Advertising for companies is at a nominal cost and the costing is available from the College website.

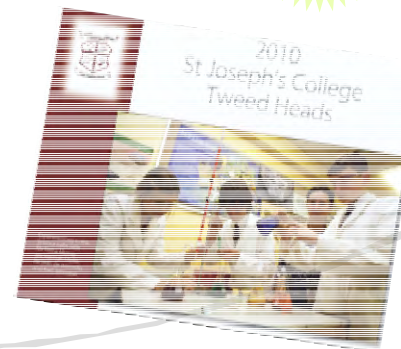
**Commitment:** The College is committed to building strong partnerships with local businesses to promote supporters and the College in a mutual, professional and beneficial manner. Access to advertising space is limited to local community organisations (non-profit), and businesses in the Tweed region.

**Distribution:** The Newsletter is distributed to College families via the youngest child each Monday during term time. This includes a readership of approximately 800. Distribution also includes staff, sponsors, local media, the parishes of Tweed Heads community members and is available to download via the College website.

**Cost:** Per advertisement per week is \$15 with a minimum commitment of four weeks. A single advertisement costs \$20. Business owners who are parents of current and past students receive a 10% discount. Employees of an SJC school based apprentice or trainee receive one free advertisement per term.

Simply download the advertising form from the College website and forward your application, together with payment, to the College. Email your advertisement to [jjoseph@lism.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jjoseph@lism.catholic.edu.au) (preferably in jpg form; but no publisher documents). Please be aware that the Newsletter closes for editing every Wednesday and should your application not make this deadline or there be no space available, your advertisement will be placed in the next available publication.

2010  
SCHOOL  
CALENDAR



The new '2010 SJC calendar' was distributed last week to each family, together with the first 2010 College Newsletter. If you didn't receive your copy, please contact the College and we will organise for one to go home with your child.

## DONATION REQUEST:

We have received a request for the donation of items (eg. memorabilia, vouchers, hampers, services, etc.), for a raffle and auction to be held at a benefit night to raise funds for a SJC family in need.

The benefit night will be held at the Coolangatta Tweed Gold Club on Saturday 13 March 2010. The proceeds of which will go to the family of Nik Gelkov, the husband of one of our former teachers, Mrs Kylee Gelkov (some may even remember her as 'Miss Fisher').

Friends of the family have asked for help from the SJC community. For more information about the event or to make a donation, please contact Lahnne Ward (0400) 200.595 or Nadine Francis (0430) 100.102.



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### MURWILLUMBAH NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Sign on Dates for 2010

13th & 20th February: Sign on 11am-2pm  
6th & 13th March: Trial Games  
20th March: Competition Games start

Courts are at Knox Park, Condong  
Street, Murwillumbah  
Clubhouse: (02) 6672.6225  
Club Web Page: [www.murwillumbahnetball.org.au](http://www.murwillumbahnetball.org.au)  
Club Email Address:  
[info@murwillumbahnetball.org.au](mailto:info@murwillumbahnetball.org.au)

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## TWEED HEADS SOCCER CLUB JUNIOR SIGN ON



Thursday 11  
& 18 February at 4:00pm  
Boys and Girls welcome, players  
& COACHES required  
From U/6's to U/17's (family disc. available)  
Arkininstall Park, Heffron St, Tweed Heads

## SAINTS NETBALL CLUB Inc.

(Formerly known as St James Netball Club)

### 2010 Registration

SAINTS Netball Club would like to welcome  
players to sign up for the 2010 netball season  
with our new club & new look uniform  
starting **24 April**. Register this weekend:  
**Saturday 20 February**  
**9:00am to 12:00 noon**

at  
Tweed Netball Association (TNA) Clubhouse  
Arkininstall Park, Tweed Heads South

For further information contact: Viki Pengilly  
(w) ph: 02 66745600 (m) 0408244433 email  
[sales@inkygraphix.com.au](mailto:sales@inkygraphix.com.au)

## Tweed Netball Assoc Inc

Conducting selections for open  
representative team/ Premier League

### Wednesday 17 April 2010

6:00pm-7:30pm NSW  
Arkininstall Park courts

All enquiries Joanne Watters  
(0414) 962.038



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