Welcome back to term 3. This is always a really big term at St Patrick's College and this year is no exception. Next week we will be posting reports home and the parent teacher night for the term is on Thursday 26 July.

We have a focus this term where we want students to **put pen to paper**. We are encouraging students to write wherever possible. Keeping a personal journal is also a valuable thing that students can do.

I would like to congratulate our netball and rugby league teams on their tour to Caloundra and Brisbane to the QISSN and Confraternity Carnivals in Brisbane. Our netballers were 13th out of 48 teams at the carnival. The girls had a very good carnival and their coach was very happy with them.

The rugby league team had a narrow loss in an early match which placed them out of the top four. The team was to play St Brendan’s in the playoff for fifth but unfortunately the game had to be cancelled due to the poor conditions of the fields due to rain most of the week.

I would like to thank Mrs Louanne Benecke, Mrs Tania Anderson and Mr Ashley Montgomery for their work in organizing our teams at these carnivals. The work of our coaches and assistants who are volunteer parents and members of our community are much appreciated.

We pay special tribute to our two coaches Ms Jessica Seymour and Mr Maurie Fatnowna.

Our South African tourists have returned with many stories of the Big 5 that have been shot digitally. I would like to extend a big “thank you” to Mr Sean Geoghegan who organizes and leads these fabulous tours for our community.

Congratulations to all our Year 11 students who participated in work placement at the end of last term. Students are reported to have done very well in these placements. We thank Mr Will Cassells and Mrs Margaret Browne for their work in organizing this vital part of our curriculum.

**Semester Reports**

Staff have been busily marking and compiling reports for our students. These reports will be mailed home on **Tuesday 17 July**. Accompanying the reports is information regarding how to make bookings to see teachers on the parent teacher night on **Thursday 26 July**.

**St Patrick’s Family**

Next Saturday night (21 July) we have the fundraiser dinner for Ms Amarlie Carroll. Ms Carroll is currently undergoing treatment for Brain Cancer in Brisbane. The dinner is $120 a head for a three course meal, drinks and entertainment. ($60 will be donated straight to the family). This will be a fun night for all who attend. There will be auctions and raffles on the night as well. If you would like to attend or have a product or service that you could donate to be auctioned or raffled please contact our college office. Some items included in the auction are signed jerseys from NRL and Rugby teams and a signed photograph of Roger Federer.

Attached to this newsletter is a letter from Bishop Brian supporting this fundraiser for Ms Carroll.

**Christian Brothers Leaving Mackay**

It was with sadness that I received a letter from the Director informing us that the Christian Brothers who have had a community serving Mackay since 1929 will be relocating to a new community facility in Boondall in North Brisbane in mid-September. Br Terry Kelly and Br Brian Sorensen have been active in the local community in a number of ways and have been faithful servants and witnesses to the gospel message. We wish them every blessing as they move south.
Student Protection Processes
As a result of recent legislative changes concerning the protection of children in schools in Queensland, new Diocesan Catholic Education guidelines have been updated. Copies of the Student Protection Processes are available in the office and a copy is also available in the library.

This information will shortly be available on the Diocesan Catholic Education website at: www.rockatholic.edu.au as well as our college website.

Cathedral Restoration Art Union
In coming weeks the parishes and schools of the Mackay region will receive tickets in an Art Union to raise funds for the restoration of St Joseph’s Cathedral in Rockhampton. More details will be available in coming weeks.

Lesley Fraser - Assistant to the Principal: Religious Education
We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked and cared for this land for thousands of years and their descendants who maintain these spiritual connections and traditions.

Last week, across Australia, we celebrated NAIDOC week from the 1 to 8 July, 2012. This year saw Christians; Indigenous and Non-Indigenous celebrate the theme: Spirit of the Tent Embassy: 40 years on. NAIDOC originally stood for ‘National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee’. This committee was once responsible for organising national activities during NAIDOC Week and its acronym has become the name of the week itself.

NAIDOC aims to increase awareness in the community about the status and treatment of Indigenous Australians. Today it is a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and a time to recognise their contributions in many fields. The 2012 School NAIDOC Mass at St Joseph’s Church on Monday the 16 July will recognise some of these contributions.

This year’s theme celebrates the champions who lived to renew the spirit of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples through the establishment of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in 1972. Forty years ago, the embassy became a powerful symbol of unity. Its founders instilled pride, advanced equality and educated the country on the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. To move forward, we must acknowledge our forbearers, learn from their experiences and ask ourselves … what have their sacrifices meant for me and my family today?

Let us pray:

God of all people,
You call all your people to unity.
As we celebrate National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their cultures
May we be united in our diversity
And praise you for the richness of all your gifts.
May we as a nation work for the good and wellbeing
Of all our Indigenous brothers and sisters.
Amen.

Music Ministry is on this Sunday night (15 July) at St Patrick’s Church. Students who are singing are to be at Church by 5:00 pm with Mass starting at 6:00 pm.
Edna Galvin – Assistant to the Principal: Curriculum

Exams
Just a reminder to parents and students that the senior exams must be completed at the time set down by the college. Only under strict circumstances can the time be changed. If a student is absent for an unseen exam the security on the paper is a huge issue. These exams take the place of external exams in other states and so we take this situation very seriously. This, of course, is the expectation of the Queensland Studies Authority who monitors all aspects of senior assessment. It is also the student’s responsibility to know when and where the exam is on.

Assignments
Assignments must be completed and submitted at the appropriate time. The ‘Date Due’ is the last day the work is due not the first date due. If students have longer to complete assignments this changes the conditions of the assignment and it is assessed accordingly. Please ensure you use the college website to organise your assessment and print out your due dates for this semester. This semester’s assignment schedule will be available next week.

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Mark Gibbs – Assistant to the Principal: Administration

Student helpers for Ms Carroll’s Fundraising Dinner
The best form of support for Amarlie is for parents to buy a ticket to the dinner. However, students are encouraged to help by:

- Volunteering to assist with the “plating” and serving of the food. This is very important as it means caterers can save on wages, which means more profit to go to Amarlie.
- Volunteering to serve the drinks. These volunteers will need to have their Responsible Service of Alcohol certificates.
- Cleaning will be part of the duties of all volunteers. This will include clearing away empty bottles, wiping spills, collecting dirty glasses and plates, washing up and any other tasks that arise.

Student helpers are expected to be available from 5:30 pm to 11:00 pm. They are also expected to act as professionally as possible to enhance the experience of the diners and therefore the potential for the evening’s success. They will receive detailed information about their duties and appropriate manners.

Please note that student volunteers MUST dress professionally. That will mean girls in black skirts or long pants and white blouses and boys in black long pants and long sleeved white shirts, preferably with bow ties. Long hair will need to be tied back and normal jewellery regulations apply.

Students can register their names with me if they did not do so after today’s assembly. Students will need to complete the normal forms associated with school excursions.

Bianca Johnston – Cultural Coordinator

Secondary Schools Choral Festival:
The Secondary schools choral festival offers all secondary choirs in Mackay the opportunity of workshops with renowned quality student choir conductors. This year we are privileged to invite Mr David Lawrence. This event helps stimulate and strengthen interest in choral singing at gives students and staff the opportunity to learn new skills and develop their vocal techniques.

Throughout the week the college choir will be participating in workshops and participate in a massed choir experience. The Secondary Schools Choral Festival will conclude with a
culminating concert that will highlight our college choir and other choral groups from our community.

Students will be involved in:

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*at 6:00 pm a pizza dinner will be served. All students are required to bring $5 to contribute to the dinner cost (Students will not be allowed to leave to College).

Students will be required to wear their formal Choir uniform to the concert.

Mr David Lawrence:

We are most excited to announce that Mr David Lawrence will be our 2012 Festival clinician for this year’s District Secondary Schools Choral Festival. David is excited at the prospect of returning to Mackay in 2012 as the guest clinician. David Lawrence is one of the UK’s most versatile conductors, working with orchestras, symphony choruses and national youth choirs. He currently holds the Guinness World Record for conducting the UK’s largest choir - 6,846 singers!

David’s work has taken him to Singapore, Colombia, Canada, the United States, India, throughout Europe, and since 2005 he has worked regularly in Australia. His positive and engaging manner makes him a popular guest conductor, and he is an experienced and respected trainer of choral conductors. He teaches regularly alongside Ghislaine Morgan in Portugal, and for the company Artsworks delivers management training and team building through the media of singing and conducting.

With particular experience in the field of contemporary music, David has prepared and conducted première performances by Per Nørgård, Pierre Boulez, Iannis Xenakis, Mauricio Kagel, Graham Fitkin, James Wood, Bob Chilcott and others. As a guest chorus master of the Netherlands Radio Choir he has worked with conductors such as Kenneth Montgomery, Frans Brüggen, and John Adams. Working closely with Stockhausen David also conducted this exceptional choir in the German première of Scene II from his opera Sontag aus Licht.

He has worked with the London Philharmonic Choir, the Hallé Choir, and the CBSO Chorus for whom he is the Associate Conductor, as well as the national youth choirs of Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. David has adjudicated at international choral festivals as well as for the BBC Choir of the Year and Young Musician of the Year competitions. He conducts for BBC Television’s ‘Songs of Praise’ and directed ‘The People’s Chorus’ for BBC Four.

As Principal Conductor of Young Voices David directs massed choirs in an annual series of concerts with some choirs incorporating more than 8,000 singers. He continues to work with Sinfonia Viva as their Choral Advisor, a project leader and conductor, and has also directed large scale education projects with the Orchestra of Welsh National Opera, the English Symphony Orchestra, the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra and the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.

Mackay City Council Matsura Sister City Function:

On Wednesday 18 July, the St Patrick’s / Mercy College Stage Band have been invited to perform and provide entertainment at the Mackay Sister City function. Students are required to meet in the foyer of the Convention Centre at the MECC for setup, sound check and rehearsal by 4:45 pm.

Students must wear long black dress pants, a black long sleeve business shirt and black enclosed dress shoes. All members of the Stage Band must be responsible for their own music, spare reeds, leads and equipment.

The group will be performing from 5:50 pm – 6:20 pm. At the conclusion of the performance all students are encouraged to assist packing up the equipment. Parents are welcome to stay
and enjoy the sounds of the ensemble. We wish the Stage Band all the very best for this performance.

**Choir, Stage Band, Percussion Cultural Camp**

Just a reminder that all cultural camp permission and medical forms should now be returned to the office. Throughout the week, students will be required to attend meetings and decide on cabin groupings.

During the camp, the co-curricular cultural groups will have the opportunity to develop and learn different techniques and workshop upcoming competition and Eisteddfod pieces. Students will have the opportunity to work with teachers whilst instrumental and jazz techniques will be explored under the direction of Mr Lyle Denman.

Please ensure all forms and payments are returned to the office as soon as possible.

**Cultural Camp Concert: “Sounds by the Sea”**

You’re invited to this **FREE** concert. This concert will highlight the College Choir, Stage Band and Percussion Ensembles and showcase musical accomplishments achieved at the 2012 Music Camp.

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**Brendon Brauer – Sport Coordinator**

**Confraternity Shield & QISSN Carnivals**

Congratulations to all students who travelled away in the first week of the holidays to compete at the QISSN (netball) and Confraternity Shield (rugby league) carnivals. The St Pat’s Netball First VII competed strongly at the QISSN carnival at Caloundra and were placed 13th overall. This was a very good result considering there were 48 schools competing at this event. All players are to be congratulated by the way they represented the college at this prestigious competition.

I would like to sincerely thank the coaching staff of the First VII (Jessica Seymour, Tania Anderson and Louanne Benecke) for accepting the responsibility of taking the girls away on a trip that was a memorable experience for all girls involved.

The First XIII Rugby League Team finished equal 5th overall in Division 1 at the Confraternity Shield which was played in Brisbane. The team narrowly missed out on qualifying first in their pool for the Quarter-finals after being defeated by Abergowrie College 10 - 6 in the second game of the carnival. The team did however defeat Marymount College 16 - 6 to finish second in their pool which qualified the team for the quarter finals. Unfortunately the team was defeated by TCC in the quarterfinal which relegated the team to position 5 - 8 playoffs. The boys were determined to finish the carnival well and went on to defeat St Edmund’s College. This then qualified the team for the 5th - 6th playoff against St Brendan’s College who were surprisingly not involved in the finals for 2012. Due to the consistent wet weather throughout the week, this game was unable to be played as the fields were deemed unsafe. The team was placed equal 5th at the 2012 Confraternity Shield which is the best result for St Patrick’s since 2006.

The college would like to acknowledge the efforts of the coaching staff who worked tirelessly throughout the week; Maurie Fatnowna (coach), Michael Commerford (Assistant Coach), Ashley Montgomery (manager), Adam Schoczylas (First Aid), Scott McSherry (assistant manager) and Matthew Paul (trainer). The team was also supported by Ryan Casey (touch judge).

**St Pat’s Inter-house Athletics Carnival**

The St Pat’s inter-house athletics carnival will be held on Friday 27 July at Cathy Freeman Oval, Slade Point. This will be the final inter-house carnival of the year and the last chance for Rice (Year 12 boys) and Chisholm (Year 11 girls) to record an inter-house carnival win for 2012. For both Rice and McAuley (Year 12 girls) this will be their last opportunity to compete in a school sports carnival.
A number of events will be held prior to the carnival; in particular boys shot putt, girl’s javelin, 3000m and 1500m running events. Students need to be aware of the following early dates for some events.

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**Pierre De Coubertin Award**

Year 12 student, Damien Van Der Berg has been awarded the prestigious Pierre De Coubertin Award for demonstrating initiative, teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play in a variety of sports, in particular, squash. Pierre De Coubertin was the founder of the modern Olympic Games and was convinced that participation in physical activity played a significant role in developing the individual. Damien has had a successful year in sport including gaining selection in the U18 Queensland Squash team. Damien was unable to attend the awards ceremony that was held at the Queensland Conservatorium in Brisbane on the first weekend of the holidays. He was presented with a certificate and Olympic Pin at this week’s assembly.

**Holy Pat’s Qualify for Grand final**

Congratulations to Mr Brian Smith and his open girls Football (soccer) team who have qualified for the final of the open girls’ football competition. The team will play Mackay High School in the decider which will be played at Virgin Australia Stadium on Thursday July 19. The time for the game is still to be decided. Well done girls.

**Coles Sports For Schools**

St Pat’s is a registered school in Coles Sports For Schools. Please collect your vouchers and place them in the collection box in the college office. Your support is much appreciated. In 2011, the college was able to purchase athletics equipment from the vouchers that were collected.

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Catholic Education Week
22-28 July, 2012

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Catholic Education Week will be celebrated across Queensland from 22-28 July this year. This annual event is held to promote the special ethos of Catholic schools and to highlight the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day.

The theme for Catholic Education Week 2012 is: Celebrating Community – Family Parish School.

‘Celebrating Community’ in Catholic Education Week 2012 invites Catholic schools and education agencies to highlight and celebrate the value of ‘community’ and affirm its presence as a central aspect of the life and strength of the Catholic Christian tradition.

‘Community’ is at the heart of the Catholic tradition. For two thousand years people have come together in community to share the story of Jesus, to nurture and strengthen each other, and to commit themselves to continuing his mission.

There are 37 Catholic schools in the Diocese of Rockhampton that educate 14 500 students and employ 2500 teachers and staff and most will celebrate Catholic Education Week in some way.

Our school is planning a number of activities during the week and we hope you are able to join in the celebrations with us.

I thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to seeing you during Catholic Education Week 2012.

Yours sincerely

Eamon Hannan
Principal

Listed below is a schedule of events for the week:

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We will have other lunch time activities organised by our students
As part of our Sister City relationship with Matsuura, each year Mackay hosts a group of students from Matsuura for approximately one week. The group is accompanied by 3 adult chaperones. Students are placed with families on a home-host basis and we are now seeking hosts for the 2012 visit.

At the request of Matsuura City, we are obliged to place students in a home that comprises two adults and at least one child.

This year’s student group from Matsuura will arrive in Mackay on Sunday 12 August and will depart on Sunday 19 August (7 nights).

The Sister City Advisory Committee will organise an itinerary for the students with various activities during week days and we ask that students are dropped off at Council weekday mornings and picked up at the end of the day. There will be free time for the student to spend with host families during the evenings and weekend. We will arrange a Bush Dance one evening and would hope that you and your family will be able to come along as the Matsuura students will give a performance at the Bush Dance.

Support is provided if you run into any communication difficulties - but usually the students are able to sort things out and have a lot of fun in doing so, as well as learning more about each other’s language and culture. More information will be provided to families once confirmed.

If you would like to host a student please contact Kathryn Smith on 4961 9437 or Meghan Campbell on 4961 9434 at Mackay Regional Council if you have any queries. Alternatively you can email: kathryn.smith@mackay.qld.gov.au

All host family members aged 18 years and over need to have a blue card. If you and/or family members do not have a blue card, could you please contact Kathryn or Meghan as soon as possible and we will be able to assist with the application forms.

Thank you for your interest and participation in the Mackay Matsuura Sister City Relationship.

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**Student Festival of Fashion**

Don’t be late! **Entries close 20th July** for the Student Festival of Fashion. Make sure you include the nomination form, image consent forms, garment description and payment. These can be posted to P.O. Box 1546 Mackay or dropped at Uniform Solutions, Alfred St. Tickets are now on sale at MECC – purchase and collect before the day for the early bird price.

You still have time to make your fabulous outfit for this year’s Student Festival of Fashion on the 11th August. Opportunities for all – draw, sew and recycle. Give it a go – it’s lots of fun. For more info check the website [www.studentfestivaloffashion.com.au](http://www.studentfestivaloffashion.com.au), Facebook or phone Rosemary 0414 354 920.

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**Date Claimer**

St Francis Xavier parish will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the opening of St Francis Church on Thursday 13 September. There will be a special concelebrated Mass followed by supper in St Francis Hall.

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**Celebrations to mark the completion of St Joseph’s Cathedral Restoration Works**

**Date Claimer: 1 & 2 September 2012**

Bishop Brian Heenan invites our Diocesan Family to join in celebrating the completion of the extensive restoration work on St Joseph’s Cathedral.

The occasion will be marked by:

**Saturday 1 September**

A BYO picnic lunch commencing at 12noon in the Cathedral grounds with entertainment throughout the afternoon; tours of the Cathedral; Barbeque at 7.00pm followed by a Sacred Concert in St Joseph’s Cathedral, and wine and cheese supper on conclusion at 8.30pm.

**Sunday 2 September**

Thanksgiving Eucharist 10.00am in St Joseph’s Cathedral, followed by luncheon in the Cathedral grounds.

You are warmly invited to attend all, or any of the planned activities.
To Whom It May Concern

In May 2012, after not feeling well when returning from a weekend away, Amarlie Carroll was diagnosed with a tumour on her brain. After resection surgery two weeks later to remove 60% of the tumour, it was revealed that the tumour was in fact cancerous and that more treatment (radiotherapy and chemotherapy) had to be undertaken immediately.

Amarlie is a much loved teacher in the St Patricks College Mackay community. She is also heavily involved in all aspects of the School and Mackay sporting community from convenor to her most loved role as coach of various teams in a range of sports.

Amarlie is also a mother to two young boys, William YR7 and Lachlan YR2 who attend St Francis Xavier primary school. You would appreciate that the cost associated with raising a family and undergoing treatment in Brisbane will be expensive, as well as the stress of being away from her two boys.

We are reaching out, seeking help from others to endeavour to financially support this family. We aim to raise funds which will be given directly to the family, so that we can ease the burden and the stress that travel costs, treatment and loss of income will cause this family.

I urge you to help the school and the community to support this family, during this most difficult time, in any way you can.

Yours sincerely

Brian Heenan
Bishop of Rockhampton
Fundraiser Dinner, Dance and Charity Auction
In support of Amarlie Carroll and family

Saturday 21st July, 6.30pm
St Patrick’s Hall on the river.

How you can help

Option 1
Direct donation to:
St. Patrick’s College, River St, Mackay
Cheques payable to: St. Patrick’s College – Amarlie Carroll
St. Francis Xavier School, Cnr Bridge Rd and Mackenzie St, West Mackay.
Cheques payable to: St. Francis School – Amarlie Carroll
100% of all donations go to the family.

Option 2
Attend Fundraiser
Tickets $120 per person, includes 3 course meal, drinks, entertainment and $60 direct donation to the family.
Tickets available from: The Admin Offices at St. Patrick’s College and St. Francis Xavier School
St Francis - Tel 49 511 861 or Pauline_Hyde@rok.catholic.edu.au
St Patrick’s – Tel 49 447 200 or enquiries@stpats.qld.edu.au

Option 3
Sponsorship of event
Items donated will be raffled or auctioned during the fundraiser dinner.
100% of proceeds will go to the family.
Sponsorship enquiries to Andrew Poots 0437 525 538 andrew@power2.com.au
CERTIFICATE III in CHRISTIAN MINISTRY AND THEOLOGY
(SERVING GOD’S PEOPLE)

The Diocese of Rockhampton is offering all people in lay ministry the opportunity for formation through a Certificate III in Christian Ministry and Theology (Serving God’s People). The cost of the course is as follows:

- $380 (Qualification)
- or
- $180 (Audit).

Sponsorship can be applied for through your Parish Office.

Serving God’s People is designed for adults who:

- are involved within ministry in the local community
- are interested in learning about ministry
- are seeking a deeper understanding of ministry
- appreciate the importance of ministry within the life of the faith community

Teachers are welcome to apply.

If you are interested and would like more details please contact Margaret Hallinan (dpp@rok.catholic.net.au or 0407130878), your local parish office or Adult Faith Coordinator:

Leenore Reddy            Mackay
Bill and Marie Mahony    Emerald
Rebekah Richters         Gladstone

Applications are only online at:
http://ife.qld.edu.au/content.php/Rockhampton-ministry

Applications are to be completed no later than:

13 July – Rockhampton and Gladstone

10 August - Central Highlands

18 August - Mackay