Eamon Hannan – Principal

This week our school has been engaged in alternate programs for the first three days of the week – our Year 11 students having their induction camp and our Year 12 students being involved in Prepare for Work and QCS preparation.

Hamilton Island Re-Orientation (Induction) Camp

On Hamilton Island our students and staff have been enjoying beautiful weather and surrounds. Students have been involved in a range of adventure activities and also in a serious program where they have been looking at the first three of Sean Covey’s “Seven Habits of Highly Successful Teenagers”.

The first three habits are:

Habit 1 BE PROACTIVE
I am the force. 
Take responsibility for your life.
Being proactive is more than taking initiative.

Habit 2 BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND
Control your own destiny or Someone Else Will Define your mission and goals in life.
All things are created twice – first mentally, second physically.

Habit 3 PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST
Will and Won’t Power 
Prioritize, and do the most important things first.
Putting first things first is the second or physical creation

Students also learnt about the history of St Patrick’s College and the stories of Edmund Rice and Catherine McAuley after whom the Year 11 Houses are named.

We thank everyone involved in the organisation of this week – particularly Mrs Tracey McLeod who coordinated the pastoral team and staff on the island. Special thanks to Ms Lesley Fraser who organised the Liturgies and Rituals, and staff who presented to students in particular Mr Geoghegan, Mrs Agius, Mr Andric, Mr Casey and Ms Hine. A thank you to all staff who also organised games and supervised activities and gave of their time and energies to be with our students.
This camp is an important part of our induction to the college where we really emphasise to students that we are all St Pat’s people now, and we want them to “Grow Up” and be young adult students.

Special thanks also go to the staff of Hamilton Island who have gone to great lengths to make this one of the smoothest run camps we have had there.

QCS and Prepare for Work Preparation
Our QCS group have been participating in workshops about the Writing Task, the Short Response Item Subtest, and Multiple Choice Subtests. They will also over the three days have completed a full QCS practice (ie have completed the four subtests – Writing Task, Short Response and two Multiple Choice tests).

Special thanks to Ms Galvin for her organisation of the year 12 program and the guest presenter Mr Tony Hytch. Thanks in particular to Mr Scott who assisted Ms Galvin with presentations for workshops on each of the subtest formats. The students have been engaged enthusiastically in this preparation which is a key part of their preparation for the QCS test at the end of Term 3.

The students participating in the “Prepare for Work” program had a large number of presentations from people in industry organised by Mr Russell French. We are appreciative of these presenters from industry and their advice to our students to become work ready and to obtain that apprenticeship.

ANZAC Day
A reminder that students are invited to breakfast at the college from 7:00 am tomorrow (ANZAC day) and we will be mustering for the parade in the Coles Car park in Wood Street prior to 8:15 am to participate in the Mackay March.

Students marching in Sarina can meet Mr French at 9:50 am in front of the Chemist shop in Central Street.

Students marching in Walkerston meet Mrs McLeod at 7:15 am in front of the St John’s Hall in Creek Street.

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Students are reminded to get their name checked off with their teachers so that we can record this for your reference. Students are also marching and laying wreaths in other centres.

**Mid-Semester and Reports Parent Teacher Night**
Parents should shortly receive the mid-semester report for their students. This report was posted at the beginning of the week. Accompanying the report are instructions for making a booking for the Parent Teacher Night. Note some teachers are unavailable on the evening due to leave arrangements. Please contact the office if you have not received this information by Friday.

**Memorial Service for Ms Amarlie Carroll**
On Friday 3 May in the last lesson of the day (starting 2:20 pm) the college will have a memorial service for Ms Amarlie Carroll (who passed away during the Easter holidays). All parents are welcome to attend if you wish to. Please advise the office so that seating can be arranged.

**Cross Country**
Last Friday the college held its annual cross country. The event had perfect conditions and was well run. Congratulations to Rice house who were announced champions on the day for a great team effort. Thank you to Mr Brendon Brauer and staff for the organisation of this event. More detailed results are inside the Sport section.

**Readings for Mass this Sunday**
**Reading 1:** Acts 14 : 21 - 27 - “it is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God.”
**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 “I will praise your name for ever, my King and my God.”
**Reading 2:** Rev. 21 : 1 - 5a “Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. …“behold, I make all things new.”
**Gospel:** Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35 - “…now is the son of man glorified, and god is glorified in him.”

**Prayer Reflection**
Tomorrow we remember the sacrifice that so many have made so that as a nation we can be free. ANZAC day does not celebrate war but service, courage and sacrifice. It is important that we remember that so many soldiers who gave their lives were only slightly older than our students at St Patrick’s. In remembering our service men and women we also remember their families. So many families waited for loved ones who never returned. So many lives have been impacted by the loss of a parent, sibling or child.

It is important that we take stock and are thankful for all the good things that we enjoy that were fought for at such great cost.

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**Edna Galvin – Assistant to the Principal: Curriculum**

**QCS Three Day Workshop**
Over the last three days the QCS students have worked very hard at both workshops and sitting practical tests for the very important Core Skills Test to be completed later in the year. The students responded very well to all sessions and produced some excellent work. Some of the work will be marked by outside experts and others at the College who work on the marking of the test in September every year.

I would like to thank Mr Tony Hytch, a colleague of mine from the Writing Task Supervisors’ Group, who works on the test in Brisbane every year, for his excellent session on ‘Success on the Writing Task’. Thanks also to his school and Principal – The Cathedral College in Rockhampton - for releasing him for the day.
The details of the test and the requirements required have been repeated below for your information.

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Pencil sharpener  
Eraser  
Correcting fluid / tape  
Highlighter  
Transparent container to carry equipment  
Other approved items as permitted by the Chief Supervisor | Own paper  
Dictionary  
Thesaurus  
Electronic devices  
Any other items |
| **Multiple Choice I**  
**Multiple Choice II** | 2B pencils  
Pencil sharpener  
Eraser  
Ruler  
Approved calculator | Highlighter  
Transparent container to carry equipment  
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**Bianca Johnston – Cultural Coordinator**

**USA Arts Tour:**
Just a reminder that there is a special tour rehearsal tomorrow (Anzac Day) commencing at 10:30 am and finishing at 2:00 pm. Students are required to meet in the PAC immediately after the march. During the practice tomorrow, the different performance groups will be recording a video for Disneyland. This is the final round of auditions. Fingers crossed all goes well.

**Students MUST bring** the following items to the Anzac rehearsal:

1. Food / refreshments
2. Water bottle
3. Stage Make up (please note the school has some)
4. Boys must bring:
   - long grey school pants
   - black enclosed polished shoes (with black socks)
   - a plain bright coloured/or white long sleeve business shirt
5. Girls must bring:
   - black jazz shoes / black ballet flats / black sandshoes
   - White ankle socks
   - A bright coloured knee length full skirt (with something for coverage under the skirt)

Please note the **stage band and percussion students** must also bring their **performance uniform** (black long dress pants, a black long sleeve shirt suitable to wear with supplied red braces, black socks, black enclosed dress shoes). During this rehearsal there will be a sewing bee in the Home Economics room (next to the Hall). If you are available to help out please come along. We look forward to working with the tour group and seeing you all at the upcoming sausage sizzles this weekend. (Friday at the Northside Dan Murphy’s from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm and Sunday at Ooralea Woolworths from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm). We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support and assistance.
Upcoming Tour “Special” rehearsals/dates:
- Sunday 12 May 10:30 am – 1:00 pm
- Saturday 18 May Sausage Sizzle at Ooralea Woolworths (8:00 am – 3:00 pm)
- Sunday 26 May 10:30 am – 1:00 pm
- Sunday 2 June 10:30 am – 2:00 pm
- Thursday 20 June 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Show Day Holiday Rehearsal / Performance

These rehearsals are COMPULSORY. If there are any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact the college or email bjohnston@stpats.qld.edu.au

Tour Payments:
All three set payments should now be paid. We are currently finalising the final costing of the tour including taxes and levies. Final invoices will be distributed next week. This payment will be required by 3rd May. If there are any concerns regarding this please contact the college bursar.

USA ARTS TOUR Fundraising:

Sausage Sizzle
This weekend the USA tour group are holding fundraisers at Dan Murphy’s on Friday 26 April and at Woolworths Ooralea on Sunday 28 April from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm.

We are still looking for some helpers. If you are available, please contact the College reception. All students are encouraged to attend as many fundraising opportunities as possible as this will alleviate the cost involved for all. Let’s hope for great success in our fundraising ventures and thank you all for helping out as much as you can to make these events work.

Cadbury Chocolate Drive
Each tour member should have received boxes of chocolates to sell. The final 24 boxes arrived last week and have been distributed to students. All chocolates MUST be sold by Monday 29 April. All monies must be returned to the college by Tuesday 30 April.

Theatre Visits:
This week the Drama students had two wonderful opportunities to see some great live theatre. On Tuesday night the Year 12 students saw “The Sundowner” with Helen Morse. This was a very engaging and sensitive look at dealing with Alzheimer’s. After the show the students were able to participate in an open forum with the actors and a representative from Alzheimer’s Australia. They will be reviewing the play for their assessment. On Saturday night the Year 11 students will be attending “Animal Farm”. This award winning production from Brisbane promises to be a real treat. Some students will also be work shopping with the company during the day. These students will also be reviewing this work. As I always say: “keep it live!”

Co-curricular Arts Groups reminder:
All co-curricular Arts Membership Fees are now OVERDUE (due by Friday 22 March). This fee must be paid by all members in the Handbell team, Choir, Stage Band, Percussion Ensemble, Ukulele Club and Drama Club. Please see the College bursar to make payments.

Membership Fees (yearly fee):
- $90.00 (if a student is a member of one co-curricular group)
- $130.00 (if a student is a member of two co-curricular group)
- $160.00 (if a student is a member of more than two co-curricular groups)

67th Annual Mackay Eisteddfod (7 – 27 October):
The Mackay Eisteddfod schedule is now available from Theatre Arts Mackay and Yamaha Music Store. All entries must be sent to the Mackay Eisteddfod committee NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 15th MAY.

The Eisteddfod schedule can be found on the website: www.mackayeisteddfod.com.au
For enquires on entries contact: Phone / Fax 4953 0747 or Email: eisteddfod.mackay@bigpond.com

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**Brendon Brauer - Sport**

**St Patrick’s Cross Country**

The St Pat’s cross-country was held last Friday with all students and some staff members competing over the 4 km and 5 km course. The hot weather added to the challenge for the 450 students and staff who completed the event. The race commenced at Caneland Park with all male competitors leaving five minutes before all female runners. All students with the exception of the injured and ill either ran or walked the course, which required the competitors to run west along the Bluewater Trail to a turnaround point near the Ron Camm Bridge. From this point the competitors returned to Caneland Park and proceeded along the Boardwalk to the Forgan Bridge with the finish line being the River Street Campus. First home for the boys was Year 12 student and defending champion, Sean Nicoll in a time of 18 mins 15 seconds for the 5 km. He was followed by Year 11 student Carl Story (19 mins 53 sec) and Jonathon Grech (20 mins 30 secs). Grade 11 student, Gabrielle De Boni was first home for the girls in a super quick time of 16 mins 49 seconds for the 4 km. She was followed by Year 12 student Sophie Webb-Smith (20 mins 45 sec) and Year 11 student, Carly Burns (21 mins 58 sec). These talented runners will represent St Patrick’s at the Mackay District Interschool trials, which will be held at the Sarina Golf Course on Wednesday May 1. The St Pat’s staff was well represented in the event with Mr George, Mr Andric and Mr Hannan completing the course in very respectable times. In the interhouse competition, Colin 289 points (Year 12 boys) finished in first place followed by Chisholm 165 points (Year 12 girls), McAuley 116 points (Year 11 girls) and Rice 304 points (Year 11 boys). Final placings on the day were as follows;

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The Cross Country age championship places have not been decided as to be eligible for age championship points, students must compete in both the college and Mackay District cross country. Points will be awarded at each of these events.

**College Gym**

Students are reminded that the college gym is open every morning from 7:00 am and all afternoons (with the exception of Friday) from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm. More students are starting to use the gym which is pleasing. New members must see Mr Brauer for an information form and then pay $15 to the college bursar for term two.

**Interschool Volleyball**

The interschool Volleyball competition which is hosted by Whitsunday Anglican College will commence next Tuesday evening. St Pat’s has nominated an open boys and girls team in this competition. Students are reminded to return permission forms and the $10 levy to the college bursar before next Tuesday. The draw will be released by the end of this week.

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**Netball Draw for Wednesday 1 May 2013: Clean-up St Patrick’s College**

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Important Dates
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1 May          Mackay District Cross Country Trials

Edie Weiss – Guidance Counsellor

Mater Hospital Healthcare Careers Expo:
*Tuesday 7 May, anytime between 5.30 and 8.00 pm, Mater Hospital.*
All students (and their families) who have an interest in any health profession are encouraged to attend this excellent expo. Health professionals will be there to answer your questions about their jobs, courses, specialities etc. etc. Medicine, nursing, pathology, physiotherapy, podiatry, pharmacy, radiology, psychology, social work and dietetics are some of the areas represented.
Please phone 4965 5415 by 30 April to register interest, and for catering purposes.

Australian College of Nursing and Health Expo
*Brisbane on Sunday 28 April, see www.acn.edu.au for more info.*

St Leo’s Residential College, University of Queensland
*Wednesday 15 May, 11.30am, Board Room, St Patrick’s College*
Year 12 boys interested in staying at St Leo’s while attending UQ are encouraged to attend an information and interview session with Br Vince Skelly. It is not too early to be thinking about next year! Sign on at the Counsellor’s office.

Australian Catholic University, University Experience
*Thursday, 4 July, Brisbane campus.*
A free programme allows you to sample degrees, meet academic staff and current students and see the university. More information at www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience.
CHILDREN’S DAY OF ART AND COLOUR
IN HONOUR OF OUR SISTER CITY - MATSUURA

Come along and enjoy some free activities and expose your children to the culture of our Japanese sister city, Matsuura.

Sunday, May 5 at Artspace Mackay
From 10am to 1pm
Free entry - children must be accompanied by an adult

> Dress-up corner: try on Japanese costumes
  (parents bring along your camera!)
> Calligraphy: have your name written in Japanese
> Origami Kabuto (Samurai Helmet) or paper planes
> Colouring Carp: cut out and attach on little waribashi sticks
> Kendama

In Japan the fifth day of the fifth month is set aside to celebrate children’s personalities and their happiness.

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