

Important Dates for Week 9

- Monday—Parish Mass 9am—Year 2
- Tuesday -Thursday Morning Prayer 8.45am—1B
- Friday— No Class Liturgy
- Friday— No Assembly



ATHLETICS

FIELD EVENTS DAY-Monday, 12 June (Students Born 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007)

100m & 200 HEATS: Wednesday, 14 June (Students Born 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007)

CARNIVAL DAY (SENIOR SCHOOL), Shalom College: Wednesday, 21 June (Students Born 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 & 2008)

CARNIVAL DAY (JUNIOR SCHOOL) St Patrick's: Thursday, 22 June (Students Born 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012)



Principal's News

Term 2, Week 8

On Thursday, I was in Brisbane with a group to meet with different companies and look at our changing communication needs. In one of the offices where we met, there was a display of 'historic' phones. I saw the devices I used as a child - which in the day, were considered high tech. They were possibly 60cm long, and about 30cm wide. We turned a handle, sending electricity down a wire to activate a bell at the local exchange. We held one piece which was on a long cord to our ear, and spoke into the mouth piece to the person at the local exchange. She would then connect us manually with

one of our neighbours. In the plane home last night, I couldn't help but think how this technology had changed unimaginably, and how rapidly it was continually evolving. I also thought about my week. I had enrolled more of our Prep families for 2018. I'd met with our School Board. I'd joined our Year 6 boys with their Personal and Social Development class and travelled to Gayndah with our rugby league team.

At first glance, it looks like a huge variety of events, but there's a very common thread here. It's about adapting to large and rapid changes, and particularly enabling our children to manage change. Our little Preps for next year, come for a walk around the school, often holding tightly onto the hands of their Mum and Dad. It's a big step joining school and this first introduction is all about helping them to be ready for change.

At the Board, parents and staff representatives, spent a great deal of time discussing technology and how we prepare our children to deal with the issues and challenges that the use of technology presents to our children now, and as they go off to Secondary school.

Our Personal and Social Development program too, is about preparing our students for change. Adolescence as a time of growth and maturity is exciting, but the physical, social and emotional changes that come with it can be daunting. Informing children honestly, helps prepare them to meet these challenges, and I loved that so many parents joined us for information sessions, so that togeth-

er we can support our children. Our Rugby League team really had to face up to a big game on Wednesday when they played North Burnett. They had to travel and line up against some very strong, skilled and experienced players and really importantly- they had to adjust their game and the way they played to be competitive. The way they were able to adapt in order to contain their opposition, made a big difference in the game, as did having plenty of Mums and Dads in the crowd.

While I was away on Thursday, many parents and grandparents took up the Year Six's offer to an open classroom. They engaged with the way our children learned, and how technology is integrated.

It was a great sharing opportunity. Charles Darwin wrote about how it wasn't the strongest of a species which survived, it was the ones who could best adapt to change. Stephen Hawkins says that, 'Intelligence is the ability to adapt to change.'

In their lifetime, our children will experience a breadth and pace of change that is almost unimaginable to us as parents and educators, and if we are to remain relevant to our children, we must model our own ability to adapt. We can't bury our heads in the sand, bemoaning it's all too much, and wishing things would go back. They won't.

l love that I am a part of a school community where busy parents love their children enough to give 9 June 2017

of their time and expertise to learn, and to work together with the school. It's demanding and challenging, but we'd all agree our children and their future is worth it to us.

If you need to know more, and you do, come and see the documentary Screenagers at Shalom on Monday night at 7:00 or join us on Wednesday night in the staff room at 7:00 when Danniell Loftus will talk to parents about Cybersafety.



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Click the Parish logo to go to the Parish Newsletter.



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Sports News

2017 Field Events Day

FIELD EVENTS DAY – Monday, 12 June (Students Born 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007) A boy and girl Age Champion will be awarded in the 2007, 2006 & 2005 age groups.

Venue: St Patrick's Catholic School Time Rotation 10yrs 11yrs 12 & 13yrs 9:00am Normal Classroom Routine 10:30am Lunch 10:45am 1 Long Jump Shot Put Discus 12:00pm 2 Discus Long Jump Shot Put 1:15pm 3 Shot Put Discus Long Jump 2:30pm Normal Classroom Routine

100m & 200m HEATS – Wednesday, 14 June (Students Born 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007) 12:00pm 4 100m & 200m HEATS – Shalom College

All students compete in field rotations and 100m heats. 200m is a nomination event. Students in Year 4 and Born 2008 do not compete on Field Events Day; normal school routine for these students. Normal tuckshop facilities will be available on this day; please note the earlier lunch time. Snacks may be eaten between events.

2017 Athletics Dates

Please follow the link for detailed information regarding this year's Athletics Carnival, by clicking on the logo below.

The carnival will be held over the following dates:

- 1. <u>FIELD EVENTS DAY Monday, 12 June</u> Students Born 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007 Venue: St Patrick's
- 2. <u>100m & 200m HEATS Wednesday, 14 June</u> Students Born 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007 Venue: Shalom College
- 3. <u>SENIOR SCHOOL: CARNIVAL DAY Wed, 21 June</u> Students Born 2004,2005,2006,2007 & 2008 Venue: Shalom College

4. JUNIOR SCHOOL: CARNIVAL DAY-Thurs, 22 June Students Born 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012 Venue: St Patrick's Senior Oval.





RE News

This term is a very exciting time for our students in the Sacramental Program. Before Easter the Sacramental Program students had their first Reconciliation at Holy Rosary. Now Bishop Michael will travel to Bundaberg to preside over the Confirmation ceremony and be present for First Communion (Eucharist). The children will celebrate their Confirmation on Friday, June 16 at 7pm at Holy Rosary. They will then celebrate their First Eucharist at all Masses over the weekend; June 17, 6.00pm at St Patrick's, June 18: 7.00am at St James, 8.00am at Holy Rosary, 9.00am at St Mary's and 5.30pm at Holy Rosary.

Please keep the following students in your thoughts and prayers during this special time; Flynn Barber, Sam Card, Summer Card, Michael Connolly, Marek Cooper, Michael Grant, Millie Greig, Lara Hamilton, Melinda Hawe, Eadie Jenner, Ferdy Jenner, Ned Jenner, Emma Joyce, Gabby Joyce, Matthew Joyce, Olivia Joyce, Addison Lyons, Amelia Nash, Elizabeth Pascoe, Elisabeth Pitt, Kodee Pole, Benjamin Rudd, Christopher Rudd and Bowie Young.

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Finance News



In reconciling May bank statement a deposit of \$274.00 was made on 9th May with reference "Mr Nigel William". Unfortunately this payment has not been able to be receipted against anybody's account because of insufficient or incorrect detail. Please contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies to advise if you made this payment so it can be reconciled against your account and a reminder to use your account number located at the top right corner of your statement as reference when making direct deposits for payment of fees into our bank account.

A reminder that payment of Term 2 fees is past due. If you do not have a payment plan in place or have not already paid, please make prompt payment immediately. If you are having difficulty in paying school fees, please contact Principal Mark Fox to discuss alternative arrangements.

Be aware that statements serve as a tax invoice payable by a due date if you do not have a payment plan in place or merely as a statement if you do have a payment plan in place which reflects what payments are being receipted and what charges you have incurred. Please take time to check your statements when they are issued to ensure your account is correct and query any discrepancies you may have.

If you have any queries regarding your school account, please do not hesitate to contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies.

Curriculum News

Parental Restrictions on iPads

Technology is an amazing tool for learning but it can also present challenges in terms of protecting your child from inappropriate content. We highly recommend that iPad use at home is always supervised by

parents, especially when children are able to access the internet. In addition to physical supervision there are features in the iPad Restrictions menu that help parents to restrict the content that children can access.
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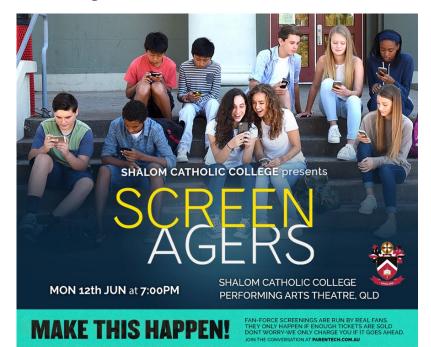
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Click on the link to learn more about how to use the Restrictions menu on your child's iPad.

Screenagers



There will be a screening of the documentary type film "Screenagers" at Shalom College on Monday the 12th of June at 7pm. The cost will be \$5 per adult and a gold coin donation for chil-

This is an issue that faces us all and we would encourage parents to make themselves and their children available

for such an informative event. Bookings can be made at the Shalom office either in person or by phoning 41558100.

Please note all bookings should be made through Shalom College and not FanForce.

The link to the trailer is -

http://www.screenagersmovie.com/

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Student of the Week 8



Winter Uniform

A gentle reminder to student's choosing to wear stockings under their uniform. Please note that our school uniform policy states that stockings should only be black in colour. Thank you for your ongoing support in making sure our school uniform remains an aspect of our school in which we all take pride.



School Holidays



Please click the image for more information on Vacation Care.



Triple P Parenting

Hot off the press:

Qld's very own parenting magazine!

<u>Triple P</u>'s latest issue of its Queensland-only parenting magazine – the Tippaper – has just been released! Get great tips for creating a safe, interesting environment for your kids, and see how positive parenting has transformed the lives of other families. <u>Read it online</u> or pick up a free hard copy from your child health centre, local PCYC, library, or early childhood centre.



