

St Stephen's  
Catholic College



# St Stephen's News

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## Welcome to St Stephen's Catholic College!



All students were warmly welcomed at the first assembly for 2017. It was an exciting time for the 103 Year 7 students who are beginning the next step in their educational journey. They were encouraged to embrace the opportunities, to experience new subjects, make new friends and become more independent.

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# NOTICES

## UPCOMING EVENTS:



**Monday 6 February**  
Opening Mass and Assembly

**Monday 13 February**  
Year 7 and new students from years 8-11:  
Meet and Greet

**Tuesday 14 February**  
P and F AGM

**Wednesday 15 February**  
Year 7 Immunisations

**Friday 17 February**  
Year 11 Community Day

**Monday 20 February**  
Year 12 Information Evening

**Thursday 23 February**  
Year 7 Geography Excursion

**Friday 24 February**  
Swimming Carnival

**Monday 27 February**  
School Photos

## SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Second-hand uniforms donations are greatly appreciated. Please leave at Student Services.

## CHESS CLUB

with Mr Harnischfeger (Mr H)

**Room: S5**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday  
at Recess 2 and Thursday morning  
before school.**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



## TERM DATES 2017

Term 1 23 January - 31 March  
Term 2 18 April - 23 June  
Term 3 10 July - 15 September  
Term 4 3 October - 24 November  
Year 12 - 17 November

## ENROL NOW FOR 2018

All new students must have an enrolment interview; this includes those who already have siblings attending St Stephen's Catholic College.

Contact the office for more information  
Enrolment interviews will commence after  
1 March 2017  
Phone: 4086 2523

## ABSENTEE E-MAIL

If your child is absent, please email  
[absentee@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:absentee@sscc.qld.edu.au)

## CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Please inform the college if your child has achieved success in an extra-curricular activity not directly related to school, so that the college community can celebrate these achievements. Please email Mrs Pinese ([principal@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:principal@sscc.qld.edu.au)) with any information and photos.

## CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS?

To ensure communication is received, please advise the college if you have changed your email address.  
Please email the office  
[office@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:office@sscc.qld.edu.au) or phone 4086 2500.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends of St Stephen's Catholic College

*"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on a lamp stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."* (Matthew: 5, 14:16)



### WELCOME

To all who have joined our St Stephen's family this year, welcome to a nurturing environment which values the dignity of the individual and strives to form people who are morally autonomous, with an awareness of God's presence. At our first assembly this year, students were encouraged to "let their light shine" in all aspects of college life.

### YEAR 12 RESULTS

The 2016 cohort certainly allowed their light to shine by achieving outstanding OP results, with 24.4% of students achieving scores between 1 and 5 and 93% of the OP-eligible students gaining scores from 1 to 15.

While all students are to be commended for their efforts in achieving results commensurate with their application, the St Stephen's community would like to congratulate Kate Wilcox, Danielle McCormack and Celina Spena for their excellent outcomes in achieving an OP score of 1, while those students who received OP scores of two (Vivek Kolala, Rebecca Hermanus, Carl Cassiniti) and three (Joel Cassiniti, Grace Officer, Thomas Gargan) also deserve commendation for their well-deserved results. The majority of students were also awarded their first preference in their university course selections. Not only have the more academically-inclined students done well, but those who chose a vocational pathway are also to be praised for their efforts in combining study with their traineeships and apprenticeships. They have demonstrated commitment, effective time management and pride in their achievement. I would like to thank our teachers and parents for their strong support of these students in their final year of schooling.

### ACHIEVEMENTS

Our students are encouraged to embrace enrichment opportunities when they arise. One of our Year 12 students, Aaron Bryce, has just returned from a rewarding experience at the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra. Congratulations to Aaron for being selected for this prestigious event and we look forward to his mentorship of aspiring applicants from the Year 11 cohort.

### NEW STAFF

At our college we are blessed with teachers who are passionate about their vocation in assisting our students to develop academically, spiritually, emotionally and socially. In 2017, we welcome the following educators to our St Stephen's family:

### Middle Leaders:

Mr Paul MacCallum: Years 9 and 10 Pastoral Leader

Mr Aaron O'Neill: Health and Physical Education Curriculum Leader

### Teachers:

Mrs Leah Bool

Mr Tim O'Hallahan

Mrs Janice Provan

Ms Kate Darling

Ms Natalie Leo

Mr Lee Xhafer



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### School Officer, Administration and Student Diversity:

Mrs Rosetta Musso

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Opening Mass and Induction of Student Leaders on Monday 6 February.
- Meet and Greet Evening for Year 7 and all those students who are new to St Stephen's: Monday 13 February. Information will be sent home about this event. I urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to meet our staff so that together we can achieve the best possible outcomes for our students.
- Open Evening for families wishing to attend St Stephen's in 2018: Wednesday 1 March.

### CONCLUSION

I would like to sincerely thank all parents who have sent their students back to school with all the correct uniforms and stationery materials. We are looking forward to another great year, and value the important role our parents play in their children's education. The partnership between the school and the home is so beautifully expressed in the following poem.

#### UNITY

*I dreamed I stood in a studio and watched two sculptors there.  
The clay they used was a young child's mind and they fashioned it with care.  
One was a teacher; the tools being used, were books and music and art,  
one a parent with a guiding hand and a gentle, loving heart.  
Day after day the teacher toiled with touch that was deft and sure,  
while the parent laboured just as hard and polished and smoothed it o'er.  
When at last their task was done they were proud of what they had wrought,  
for the things they had moulded into the child could neither be sold or bought.  
And both agreed they would have failed if they had worked alone:  
For behind the parents stood the school, and behind the teacher, the home. (Anon)*

With Trust in the Lord,

Mrs Ida Pinese | Principal  
principal@sscc.qld.edu.au

### Mareeba Shire Council - Australia Day Award Recipients:

Young Citizen of the Year - Kate Wilcox

Junior Sports Award - Tyler Ius

Junior Sports Award - Neil Prince (Highly Commended)

Junior Sports Award - Callum McCarthy (Highly Commended)

### Tablelands Regional Council - Australia Day Award Recipient:

Young Citizen of the Year - Sabine Conolly

**Congratulations from the St Stephen's Catholic College Community**

## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CURRICULUM

### Meet and Greet

Year 7 parents and other families new to the College are encouraged to attend our 'Meet and Greet' evening. The meet and greet is an informal opportunity to become acquainted with the College's teaching staff. Parents are encouraged to use their student's timetable to make a list of their child's teachers. A copy of the timetable can be found in the Student Record Book (SRB). Information relating to curriculum, including homework expectations and assessment will be conveyed during the second part of the evening.



### Subject Changes

Students in Years 9 to 12 who wish to make changes to their subjects, need to see me as soon as possible. In Years 9 and 10, changes can only be made to electives and provided the class into which the student wishes to go is not at full capacity, notification by students will suffice. In Years 11 and 12 where subject changes can have implications for both OP scores and QCE eligibility, students need to make an appointment to see me, after which formal documentation will be completed to effect the change. The deadline for semester one changes is Friday 3 February. Appointment requests should be made via email to [achiesa@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:achiesa@sscc.qld.edu.au)

### External Study

Students who have enrolled in an external Certificate course, through TAFE or other Registered Training Organisations, must bring a copy of their enrolment confirmation to student services and request an appointment to discuss implications for their course of study. Once confirmation of enrolment is received students are eligible to drop one of their school based subjects. Appointment requests should be made via email to [achiesa@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:achiesa@sscc.qld.edu.au)

### Return of Assessment

All students who were in Years 7 to 10 last year may ask for the return of their assignment work (with the task sheet removed), if they wish. Tests are not returned as we often include similar questions in future assessment. Year 11 and 12 work is not returned as it is needed for quality assurance processes. Senior students are encouraged to approach their subject teachers if they wish to view their folio of work. All requests must be made via a request form at student services by Friday 3 February.

### Assessment Calendar

The assessment calendar can be accessed via the college website. Students and parents are strongly encouraged to place this supplement in a prominent place at home with due dates for assignments and tests/supervised assessments clearly highlighted. Effective planning is essential to identifying achievable goals, as a step by step sequence of tasks helps students to focus on moving forward.

I look forward to another fulfilling year of working with students in the area of curriculum and thank you in advance for your support in this endeavour.

Ms Andrea Chiesa  
Deputy Principal Curriculum





## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Matthew 5: 1 – 10

*When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountainside, and after he sat down and the disciples gathered around, Jesus began to teach them: Blessed are the poor in spirit: the kingdom of heaven is theirs. Blessed are those in mourning: they will be consoled. Blessed are those who are gentle: they will inherit the land. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice: they will have their fill. Blessed are those who show mercy to others: they will be shown mercy. Blessed are those whose hearts are clean: they will see God. Blessed are those who work for peace: they will be called children of God. Blessed are the persecuted because of their struggle for justice: the kingdom of heaven is theirs.*



*Following Jesus is all about risk. In this week's Gospel, Jesus calls his disciples to risk. The Beatitudes (which is what we call the list in this Gospel) are risky actions Jesus tells his followers to choose. For example, be poor in spirit (Ask God's guidance for all decisions). Be meek. (Treat others as if they're more important than you.) Mourn. (Don't hide your pain.) Be merciful. (Choose forgiveness.) Be a peacemaker. (Work publicly for peace and justice.) - Gather, Proclaim, Break, Send*

### Living 'the good life' in 2017

As members of the St Stephen's Catholic College Community, we are called to 'Trust in the Lord' in all things and to follow the example of St Stephen the Deacon who served others and was not afraid to stand for what he believed in. This week's Gospel reminds us of our College Charism and emphasizes that living 'the good life' is about taking risks, trusting in God's strength and being of service to those in need. I look forward to seeing how God works in our community this year.

### Muddy Soles Social Justice Weekend

Tulani Lea'uanæ, Amelia Aitken, Sabine Conolly, Claudia Roeser (Year 12), Jamie Malcolm and Taylah Phelan (Year 11) joined other secondary students and young adults from across the Cairns and Townsville dioceses for the Muddy Soles Youth Festival at the beginning of the Christmas holidays. These students explored a variety of social justice topics through games, activities, music, presentations and discussion and were encouraged to "get their shoes dirty" by stepping outside of their comfort zones to offer compassion and support to the poor and disadvantaged around us.

### Sacramental Preparation

Any student who is interested in being baptized into the Catholic faith, or wishes to receive their First Reconciliation, Confirmation and/or Holy Communion is invited to register their interest with me by Friday 10 February. Further information to follow.

### College Opening Mass

Parents and friends of St Stephen's Catholic College are welcome to attend our Opening Mass and Commissioning of Student Leaders to be held on Monday 6 February. Please arrive by 8.50 am for a 9.00 am start.

**Mrs Laura Gilbert**

**Assistant Principal Religious Education**



## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Muddy Soles Youth Festival 2016

Last November, a group of Year 10 and 11 students went to the Seville Mercy Centre in Cairns to partake in the Muddy Soles Youth Festival for 2016. The event comprised an overnight stay, guest speakers, mass and several different practical and empowering sessions over the two days. Some of these sessions included making mats for the homeless out of plastic bags, praise and worship, and visiting the Social Justice room. As one of the main focuses of the festival, the Social Justice Room was available to us over the weekend to write letters to the Himalayan children, to donate to and learn about St Vincent De Paul and Rosies, to help create Christmas hampers and to discover more about what we can do, as young adults and leaders, to help others in need. The live House Band was remarkable, performing numerous inspirational songs and the festival immediately adopted a welcoming and faithfully ardent atmosphere. Our ways of worship during the festival, for some, at last founded our perpetual beliefs. Through song and personal prayer, Jesus was truly alive within us.

The Catholic Youth Festival had an absolutely positive turnout, with many of us walking away inspired to make a change in the world. Through these two days of embracing our faith, we learnt that through making small changes we can make big differences; this isn't the perspective that everyone takes. Overall, it was a fantastic weekend during which we were able to learn and grow as young leaders in our communities.



### Sabine Conolly and Claudia Roeser (Year 12)





## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ADMINISTRATION

### Welcome to all parents and students for 2017

My role at the college is the day-to-day running of the school. This includes organising the school photo schedule for Monday 27 February. In addition I will be dealing with the administration of NAPLAN, QCS and excursions.

I would like to inform all Year 7 parents and carers that the first round of immunisations will be on Wednesday 15 February. Permissions forms have been distributed to students in home form in week two.

The first week of school has been busy and has demonstrated to me the caring and supportive environment of St Stephen's, where students are happy and willing to achieve their best. I spoke to a number of Year 7 students on their first day and they all confirmed this.

I look forward to working with parents, students and staff in 2017.

**Ms Anja van Hooydonk**  
**Assistant Principal Administration**



## FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Welcome back to all families for the 2017 school year. Diocesan policy is for school fees to be sent out during week two of each term. Although we try our best to be 100% accurate, sometimes errors can appear in the first run of school fees for the year. Items that can be inadvertently missed are sibling discounts and bus charges. If you have another child attending a Catholic School in the Diocese you are entitled to a 15% discount off your tuition fees. If there are two younger siblings at a Catholic school then the discount increases to 30% off tuition fees. Therefore, it is important that the office is informed of any sibling information. Families that travel on the Dimbulah, Kuranda, Mossman, Atherton and Tolga buses are charged a \$33.00 per week bus fare via their school fees. Therefore, we need to know the occupants of each bus. In 2011 the College Board approved a 5% discount off total fees for families who pay their entire fees upfront at the beginning of the year. When you receive your fees and you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact Pina directly via email [gmenniti@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:gmenniti@sscc.qld.edu.au) or 4086 2508.

Whilst the College has been in holiday mode for staff and students, it provides a gap for much of our maintenance and construction work to occur. Over the Christmas break we had the painters in to touch up all classrooms, carpet cleaners to clean all floor surfaces and pest control completed for all buildings. I would like to thank our Facilities Manager, Mr Sam Bozzo for his indefatigable work ethic over the holiday period.

Construction work has also commenced on an extension to our groundsman shed. We thank local Mareeba business MDF Industries for their meticulous workmanship.

**Mr Hadyn Flynn**  
**Business Manager**



## FROM THE COLLEGE LEADER PASTORAL CARE

### Student Welfare

Welcome back to all our parents and students. I am looking forward to forging strong partnerships with parents and students this year, building on 2016. As College Leader Pastoral Care, welfare of students is core to my role. In attending to the welfare of students it is important that any issues are dealt with in a timely, respectful and supportive manner. It is with this in mind that the process of attending to issues is clearly outlined. Any issue of a minor nature that is class-related is to first be brought to the attention of the class teacher, who is best positioned to provide a timely response. If a matter is persistent or of a more significant nature, then the College has in place a position of Middle Leaders Pastoral (MLP) who will attend to such matters. Parents wishing to contact a MLP, can do so by making an appointment through our school office or emailing the MLP directly. Contact details are on this page. As College Leader Pastoral Care (CLPC), I support the Middle Leaders Pastoral. If a matter is unresolved, persistent or of a serious nature then I will be directly involved to ensure the matter is attended to swiftly and respectfully.



### Student Leadership

With the start of a new year comes the excitement of servant leadership. It is of great importance that our student leaders in 2017 operate from a servant leadership model. The job description for leadership may not read as expected. The focus for our leaders in 2017:

- It is not about profit, gain or glory.
- It is about relationship, service and humility.
- It stems from being faithful to who you are.
- It means following the example of Jesus.

### Uniform and Grooming Matters

College expectations regarding "uniform and grooming" are outlined on pages 8 and 9 of the Student Record Book (SRB). It is expected that students who have a variation to uniform will have an explanatory note from parents/guardians.

### Senior Drivers

Any student who has acquired their driver's license and wishes to park in designated student parking on school grounds are to complete the "Senior Driving Permission Form" and return it to school prior to accessing the school site.

### Restorative Practices

Restorative Justice Practices continue to be the model the school takes into 2017 when resolving pastoral matters. Restorative Practice is a way of viewing conflict and wrongdoing that focuses first on the harm these cause to relationships, and the obligation to repair that harm. Restorative Practices with students seeks to educate students towards self-directed positive behaviour to promote, nurture and protect healthy relationships among members of the community and enable students to take responsibility and be accountable for breaches of conduct. The practice of restorative justice does not in any way excuse the wrongdoing or minimise the responsibility of the need to put things right; more so there is an emphasis on maintaining high standards of conduct. Therefore the high expectation of students' conduct and the consistent application of restorative practices at our college sets the moral benchmark that expects all students to .... **act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with (their) God. Micah 6:8 (NIV).**

**Mr Matthew Draper**  
**College Leader Pastoral Care**



**Mrs Salerno - Year 7 and 8**  
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**Mr MacCallum - Year 9 and 10**  
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**Mrs Crockford - Year 11 and 12**  
Email: [SCrockford@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:SCrockford@sscc.qld.edu.au)

## YEAR 12 NEWS

### Welcome to 2017!

It is my absolute pleasure to be the Year 11 and 12 Pastoral Leader this year, but like any new role, combined year levels will certainly come with its challenges and rewards. Our seniors stepped back onto the school grounds last Monday and welcomed the Year 7's with warm smiles and words of encouragement. I must praise our students on how well they have settled back into their learning and study routines, but I ask our parents to please contact the College if your child ever feels overburdened by the pressures that this final year of schooling is sure to bring at some point throughout the year. A new year is a timely reminder for reflection and refocus. What do our seniors want to achieve academically this year? What about the memories they would like to create? What imprint would they like to leave on St Stephen's? Year 12 is such a memorable occasion in the journey of life and when I consider my own senior year, which was quite a while back now, I still remember it as such an exciting and fun time and I can't wait to start sharing this journey with our Year 12's.

A few date claimers for the year, which I'm sure are already hot topics of conversation amongst our students, are the Year 12 Retreat in term two, the Senior Formal and the all-important Graduation Ceremony in term four. Please be assured that more information about all of these events will follow in the months to come, but do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns. My contact details remain the same, and I can be contacted via phone at the College office on 4086 2500 or via email on [scrockford@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:scrockford@sscc.qld.edu.au)

I wish you all a very prosperous and blessed 2017 and I look forward to working with you all as we endeavour to make this a successful and memorable final year of schooling for your children.

**Mrs Stacey Crockford**  
Year 11 and 12 Pastoral Leader



## LIBRARY NEWS

### Welcome to the library for 2017

The library is now open to all students for borrowing. Please encourage your students to read for pleasure. Studies have frequently found that reading for pleasure increases literacy skills, spelling, grammar, vocabulary and it helps develop empathy. Studies have also shown that modelling behaviour often helps reluctant readers. Parents please read too. Ask your teenager to recommend their favourite book, recommend your favourite book to your child, or read a book together.

Our first big promotion will embrace Library Lovers Day (February 14) and encourage students to choose a Blind Date with a Book. This is a chance for students to borrow a book they might not have chosen themselves from the shelves. St Stephen's library is well stocked and the librarians more than ready to recommend great books to read.

Textbooks have been distributed to all students. Please be mindful that all textbooks must be returned at the end of the year, in a reasonable condition. Students must return the books borrowed in their name. Any book that is not returned will need to be paid for, so that replacement copies can be purchased for the following year. A letter will be sent home soon explaining the Textbook Loan Policy. Please sign the bottom of this form and return to Homeform Teachers.

*"The more that you read,  
The more things you will know.  
The more that you learn,  
The more places you'll go."*

Dr Suess



**Mrs Simone Gillies**  
Teacher Librarian



**Mrs Suzanne Assenheim**  
Library Assistant

## FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR

As the school Guidance Counsellor, I am at school every day. This is my third year at St Stephen's Catholic College and I love my job.

The services that counsellors are able to provide for students and families in Catholic schools include such matters as:

- Providing information sessions for classes on current topics such as bullying issues, healthy relationships, goal setting and organization, self-esteem and resilience.
- Working with small groups on issues such as anger management, self-confidence, resilience and assertiveness, grief and loss, positive thinking and stress issues.
- Discussions with parents and staff regarding concerns about student performance, behaviour or emotional well-being.
- Counselling sessions for matters relating to a broad range of issues such as, family dynamics, friendship concerns, poor self-esteem, bullying concerns, behavioural concerns, grief and loss and general personal concerns.

Parents can access the Guidance Counsellor by making an appointment at the office or by sending an email to [mhall3@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:mhall3@sscc.qld.edu.au). My office is always open to parents should you wish to discuss matters relating to your children. Students can make an appointment to see me by coming to my office in Room A3 in the Administration Building or sending me an email.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the counselling services available here at St Stephen's Catholic College, or if you have any concerns regarding the well-being of your son or daughter.

Kind regards,

**Mrs Michelle Hall**  
Guidance Counsellor



## STUDENT SUCCESS STORY - SABINE CONOLLY

Last November, I was fortunate to have work experience with Justice Henry at the Supreme Court in Cairns. It was an invaluable experience where I was able to really experience the inner workings of a court room and talk with the Justice and his associate. Also, I am fortunate to have been appointed Queensland Youth Parliament Ambassador for my electorate, Dalrymple. This means I will get to present at schools in my area and attempt to get young people interested in the program. This is a fantastic position for which I'm honoured to have been selected.

Thank you,  
**Sabine Conolly (Year 12)**





**Important information for parents National HPV Vaccination Program**

- ✓ Helps prevent HPV-related cancers and disease
- ✓ For young women and men in early high school
- ✓ Complete the consent form

**This HPV vaccination is important for young fellas, as well as girls.**

**I'm glad we've talked about it. Now I know why it's important to get the HPV vaccination.**

**Young men and women in early high school can take part in a national vaccination program to protect against Human Papillomavirus (HPV), which can cause cancers and disease. The vaccine works best when given at this age as it is before they have been exposed to the virus through sexual activity.**

**More information is available at [www.immunise.health.gov.au](http://www.immunise.health.gov.au) or freecall 1800 671 811\***

\*Charges may apply for calls from mobiles.

**Australian Government**

**IMMUNISE AUSTRALIA PROGRAM**  
A joint Australian, State and Territory Government initiative

The next round (Round 9) of the Queensland Government's Get Started Vouchers program is due to open on 25 January 2017.

### What is Get Started Vouchers?

Get Started Vouchers is an initiative to provide up to \$150 to eligible children and young people, to help pay for sport or recreation club membership and/or participation fees through registered clubs.

If the child/young person or their parent/carer/guardian holds a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, they can apply online as soon as the round opens. These children do not need to use the referral agent process.

### Updates to the referral agent process

The department is changing the referral agent process to ensure that children and young people who can least afford the costs to participate are supported by Get Started Vouchers. To ensure that the vouchers are going to those families most in need, a new referral agent process will be implemented from Round 9.

The department now requires that eligible referral agents register with the department to be able to refer children and young people for a voucher. Further details regarding referral agent criteria and eligibility requirements are on our website, along with fact sheets for parents and referral agents. Simply Google 'Get Started Vouchers' or go to the information here [www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/getinthegame/getstarted/refer/](http://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/getinthegame/getstarted/refer/)

A child/young person can be referred to the program by a registered referral agent if they have access to a Health Care Card/Pensioner Concession Card, where there are significant issues that prevent the parent/carer/guardian from applying.

These issues may include:

- internet or computer access
- computer illiteracy
- Living in rural/remote areas with limited internet capability.

Further to this, referral agents may apply on behalf of a parent/carer/guardian where they are aware of the need for financial support to join their local sport or recreation club, and are assisting in their professional capacity.

For further information on the Get Started Vouchers program, please refer to the website - [www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/getinthegame/getstarted/](http://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/getinthegame/getstarted/)

If you have any specific questions about the program then please email the team at [getstarted@npsr.qld.gov.au](mailto:getstarted@npsr.qld.gov.au)

Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing

**Get in the Game**

**Get Started Vouchers**

Funding to help kids participate

**BMX**  
AUSTRALIA

2017 NATIONAL  
SIGN ON DAY



YOUR LOCAL CLUB IS AT:  
**Atherton BMX Club**  
Grove St, Atherton  
(Behind Tableland Hardware)

DATE TO COME AND TRY:  
**SATURDAY**  
**25TH FEBRUARY**  
**FROM 3PM**

CONTACT:  
**Kellie**  
**0429 459 228**

GET ON YOUR BIKE AND RIDE

**WANT TO LEARN SELF  
DEFENCE**



**Mareeba Rhee Tae Kwon  
Do**

**Is taking new enrolments NOW.**

**Classes - Monday & Thursday**  
**6.30 - 7.30pm**

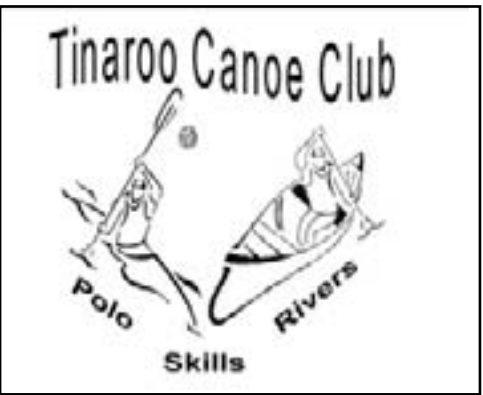
**Mareeba Shire (PCYC) Hall** Walsh Street, Mareeba  
(behind Mitre 10)

**\*Fitness \*Self Control \*Good Health \*Integrity &  
Courtesy \*Build Confidence**

\* Rhee Tae Kwon Do is an activity the whole family can do  
together. Men, Women and Children of all ages and fitness  
levels. Discounted family rates.

**For more info contact Frank 0418 774824**

The Tinaroo Canoe Club is running a kayaking program at the Mareeba pool on Wednesday nights (from 1 February to 29 March). If you are interested in learning the art of kayaking so you can enjoy our local rivers, then come down to the Mareeba pool from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm on Wednesday nights. The Tinaroo Canoe Club is running kayaking lessons and all are welcome from 15 years up. Call Peter on 0427 378 151, see the pool or just turn up. No paddling equipment or experience needed (all is supplied). Cost \$5.00 for school students and \$8.00 all others.



Resourcing the future - 2017

Attention Year 11 and 12 students

Interested in a career in drilling, mining, quarrying, or civil construction?

This funded program prepares students with basic knowledge and skills for entry level jobs to commence successful career paths in the global resources and infrastructure industries.

Resources and Infrastructure Industries include:

- Mining: gold, silver, zinc, bauxite and coal
- Drilling: exploration, on shore oil and gas, and coal seam gas and natural gas, off shore oil and gas
- Quarrying and small mines
- Civil Construction: building of roads ,bridges, dams, ports, pipelines, building foundation earth works

Course is delivered at St Stephen’s Catholic College with practical components off campus.

When you successfully complete the program you will receive:

- ✓ Certificate 2 in Resources and Infrastructure Work Prep Certificate
- ✓ 4 x QCE points
- ✓ and employability skills!



See Mrs Goleby in S Block on Monday or Thursday for further information!





# OPEN EVENING

**Wednesday 1 March 2017**  
**5.30 - 6.30 pm**

**Students entering Year 7 in 2018 and beyond!**

- Display of specialist areas
- Information about the college culture, curriculum and expectations
- Enrolment Handbook
- Self-guided tour of facilities
- Scholarship information



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