

St Stephen's
Catholic College



St Stephen's News

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WELCOME TO ST STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE (G'DAY)!



Over the past ten days, the St Stephen's community was very privileged to host students from our sister school in Sano City, Japan. It was truly an enjoyable cultural experience for both schools which highlighted not only our differences, but also our similarities. We wish our guests a safe journey home and look forward to continuing the friendships that have been forged.

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NOTICES

UPCOMING EVENTS:



St Stephen's Day

16 September 2016

Immunisations - Round 3

Tuesday 4 October 2016

College Board Meeting

6 October 2016

Year 12 Formal

8 October 2016

Natural Fertility Services - Years 9 and 10

Tuesday 18 October 2016

Awards Night

26 October 2016

MATHEMATICS TUITION

Students seeking help with their Mathematics may attend a tuition/homework class on Tuesday and Thursday lunch time in MCR. Mr Ellison will be in attendance on Tuesdays and Miss Sugars will be in attendance on Thursdays to assist students at both Junior and Senior levels with any difficulties they may be experiencing. All welcome!!

ENROL NOW FOR 2017

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

Contact Mrs Denise Morrow to arrange an enrolment interview.

Phone: 4086 2523

TERM DATES 2016

Term Three: July 11 - September 16

Term Four: October 4 - November 18 (Year 12)
October 4 - November 25 (Years 7 - 11)

ABSENTEE E-MAIL

The college now has an absentee email address.

If your child is absent, please email
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) with any information and photos.

CHESS CLUB

with Mr Harnischfeger (Mr H)

Room: S5

Monday and Tuesday Recess 2
Thursday morning before school
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



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 or phone 4086 2500.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends of St Stephen's

***"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
(Nelson Mandela)***



While students in the developed world tend to take the educational opportunities they receive for granted, there are many children in the third world who desperately desire an education as the means by which social and political change can occur. Our students are very fortunate to have a nurturing environment in which to learn, and supportive family structures which allow them to remain at school for as long as they wish.

Over the past three weeks, year 10 students and their parents have been focused on selecting future pathways. Although some may find this a daunting task in terms of the uncertainty they feel about the course they wish to pursue, it is a great opportunity to evaluate one's attitude to learning as a life-long experience. The gap between year 10 and the senior years of schooling is significant, despite the preparation carried out in semester two to raise the bar, in readiness for the rigor of year 11 subjects. I would like to thank Ms Chiesa, the Deputy Principal, and her team for the thorough manner in which SET (Senior Education and Training) plans were conducted.

At the end of each term, there is an incredible amount of behind the scenes work that our teachers complete. In particular, senior teachers are challenged to have all assessment items marked and recorded for year 12 verification. I am grateful for the integrity, strong work ethic and dedication that our teachers demonstrate in ensuring that optimal outcomes are achieved for our students.

A holistic education encompasses more than academic experiences. Over the past week, students from our sister school, Sano Nihon Daigaku Secondary School in Japan, have been guests at our college. Not only have they enjoyed lessons in an Australian classroom, and spent time with their host families, but they have visited many of our local tourist sights. Our gratitude is extended to Mr Priestly who has been ably assisted by the year nine and ten Japanese language students and Mrs Musch, in providing our guests with a memorable experience of their visit to St Stephen's. In the first week of the September school holidays, Ms Stevens is leading a large group of students and four other staff on a New Zealand trip. Once again, this event has been planned over many months, and can only happen due to the generosity of our teachers who are accompanying the students, and the support of our families in entrusting their children in our care.

Likewise, the celebration of St Stephen's Day on the last day of term three enhances students' experience of what it means to be part of our culture. Preparations are underway for a great day as a result of the efforts of our teachers and students over the past few weeks. An invitation is extended to all parents who wish to join us for this significant event in our school calendar and I thank you in advance for supporting your child to be actively involved.

This has been a particularly challenging term for our college and both staff and students will feel refreshed after a well-deserved break. I wish you a rewarding time with your children and thank you for your continued support of our college.

With Trust in the Lord,

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

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Throughout term three, all students attended mass in the chapel led by Fr John Sullivan or Fr Dipi Kattathara. Students prepared class masses according to their chosen themes, selecting readings, writing prayers and decorating the chapel. Students also volunteered as readers and altar servers, and we even had some very talented musicians lead us in the hymns they had selected. These intimate Eucharistic celebrations provided meaningful faith and learning experiences for our students and I thank Fr John and Fr Dipi for their great support of our college. Our entire college family will celebrate mass on Friday for the Feast of St Stephen (celebrated by the Church on the 26 December). We look forward to celebrating the identity of our college, showcasing the talents of our students and taking part in a service initiative in the running of a college fete as part of 'St Stephen's Day'.



To maximise our fundraising endeavours, we are asking for support from businesses and individuals in the form of sponsorship. There are three (3) options to choose from.

Gold: For \$500.00 or more, sponsors will get their company name and logo posted on the college's Facebook page and their company name and logo in the school newsletter for one (1) month preceding and following the event (or from the receipt of payment).

Silver: For \$250.00 - \$499.00, sponsors will get their company name posted on the college's Facebook page and their company name in the school newsletter for one (1) month preceding and following the event (or from the receipt of payment).

Bronze: For less than \$250.00, sponsors will get their company name in the school newsletter for one (1) month preceding and following the event (or from the receipt of payment).

Sponsorship can be made by direct bank deposit (see the details provided below) or by phone through the school office (07 4086 2500). An electronic copy of company logos can be emailed to lgilbert1@sscc.qld.edu.au with the subject "Relay for Life Logo."

If you have any questions or would like to make a donation, please contact me via the details above. All sponsorship donations would be greatly appreciated!

Mrs Laura Gilbert
Assistant Principal – Religious Education



Isabelle Nisbet, Georgia Hatfield, Tulani Lea'uanai and Codey Panetta lead the hymns during year 11 class mass last Tuesday.

Relay for Life Sponsorship

St Stephen's Catholic College is entering two (2) teams in this year's Tablelands Relay for Life to be held from Saturday 22 October to Sunday 23 October at Davies Park Mareeba. This event challenges students to raise funds for the Cancer Council and compete in an overnight team relay. St Stephen's Catholic College feels it is imperative to raise awareness and funds for this worthy organisation.

Direct Deposit Details

Bank: National Australia Bank

BSB: 084 352

Account No: 0000 12931

Name: St Stephen's Catholic College

Detail: RFL Insert Company Name

FROM THE COLLEGE LEADER PASTORAL CARE

Uniform reminders

- Students are to be in full school uniform upon entrance to the college and on exit.
- Make up and nail polish are not permitted.
- Boys to be clean shaven.
- Ties are not required to be worn in term 4 for boys.



Servant Leadership

Year 11 students on Monday refined their focus on what it means to lead others at St Stephen's. The Leadership Day provided the platform for students to take part in the "Student Leadership selection process - 2017". Students were presented with the challenge of "what it means to be a leader at St Stephen's Catholic College". The job description for Leadership may not read as expected. The focus for our leaders in 2017 is:

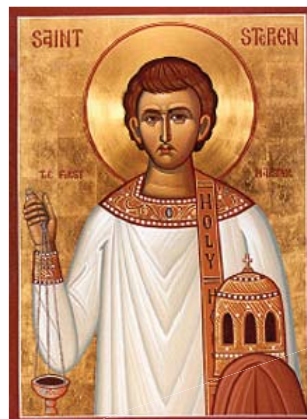
- It's not about profit, gain or glory.
- It is about relationship, service and humility.
- It stems from being faithful to who you are.
- It means following the example of Jesus.

"The theory of servant leadership is vital, but it's the active Serving Leader that makes the critical difference."
Ken Jennings

St Stephen's Day - Friday 16 September

Many hard working Home Form classes are in their final stages preparing for the fete section of this Friday's St Stephen's Day celebration. Assisted by SRC representatives, Home Form classes will provide an assortment of food and activity stalls. We look forward to a wonderful day of celebration. Thanks to all SRC representatives for ensuring a well-prepared stall. Reminders for this day:

- Students are to wear Pastoral House Uniform
- Students are to bring their school bag as per usual.

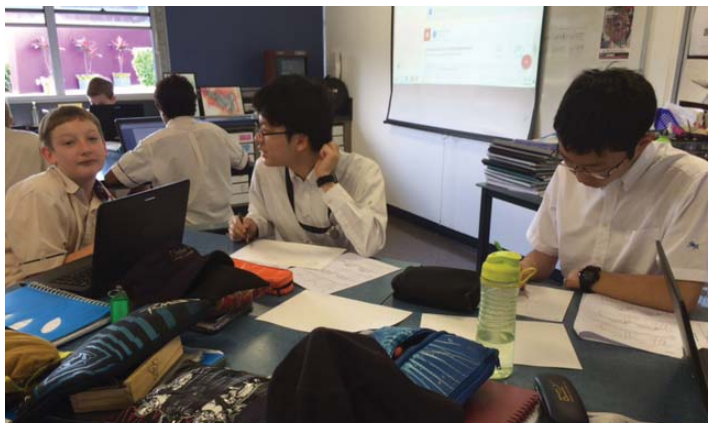


Mr Matthew Draper
College Leader Pastoral Care

St Stephen's Day



WELCOME TO SANO NIHON DAIGAKU SECONDARY SCHOOL - JAPAN



Term 3 has flown by, with students fully embracing secondary schooling and taking it all in their stride. The beginning of semester 2 has seen the year 7 students managing assessment tasks, studying for exams and being more organised. Many events have taken place this term such as the Mareeba District Athletics Carnival where students won the 'Average Points Shield', Fowler's Cup netball, chess, soccer, touch football, school band and choir at community events. These extra curricula activities assist the personal development and confidence of the students involved, and they deserve to be commended on their enthusiastic participation. A remarkable improvement has also been evident in students' approach to study and homework this term and it is great to see the developing work ethic of many year 7 students.



On Friday we will have St Stephen's Day and it is one of the best days of college life in the year. Each homeroom has prepared an activity or a stall for students to enjoy. Students from years 7 to 9 will also be competing in a knockout tug-of-war competition between the four pastoral teams. I'm sure it will be a tough competition as students battle for the trophy. Which house will be victorious? This competition aims to develop relationships, sportsmanship and skill within each pastoral house.

In term 4, parents are encouraged to work alongside their child to use the term planner which was given out end of term 2 to record due dates for homework and assessment, as well as extra curricula activities and even social events. Using their planner will enable students to develop critical time management skills. Students often think they have 'no time' to study; however, many think of study time in terms of two hours or more. While long time slots are necessary (in higher year levels), medium and short time slots can be used just as effectively, especially for year 7 students. A well-used 15-20 minutes is often more productive than a wasted two hours. Using lunchtimes or time spent travelling can also be effective.

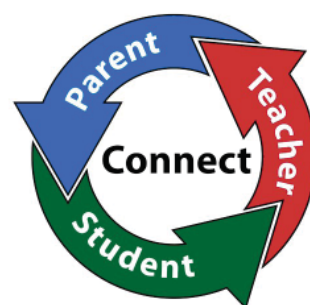
Parents are also reminded to thoroughly monitor student's SRB (student record book) in order to keep track of assignment due dates, homework and teachers' comments. The SRB is a great source of information and a fantastic way to see what is happening in your child's school life. Please sign and check the SRB every Thursday evening or Friday morning each week, not in advance.

If for some reason, your child is not in the correct full uniform, a note must be written. Parents are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the uniform policy. Girls are expected to be wearing blue, white or beige hair-ties or have a blue, white or beige ribbon covering the hair-tie. Also, it is important that students check stationery items over the break as many year 7 students are missing glue, scissors and correction tape, and it is essential that they are organised for each lesson.

Moving into term 4, I anticipate continuing the positive parent-teacher relationships which enable open communication for the benefit of students, parents and teachers. This partnership is crucial for successful learners.

Finally, enjoy the break and I hope families can spend quality time together enjoying the company of their loved ones. I know the year 7 students truly deserve the break. Term 4 will be eventful, demanding and very quick. Before we know it, year 7 students will be beginning year 8 in 2017. I look forward to seeing all year 7 students refreshed and ready to tackle term 4.

Mrs Jayarani Salerno
Year 7 Pastoral Leader



THE ARTS & LOTE

Learning to wonder about, as well as learning to wonder at, are two skills constantly developed in the Arts and LOTE Department. I take this opportunity to offer my gratitude to my colleagues for their enthusiasm and hard work. I also take this opportunity to congratulate many of our students for their outstanding achievements this year.



This term, we particularly congratulate a very promising year 11 student Chloe Cleland whose art work has been noticed by the jury of the impressive Creative Generation Exhibition held in Cairns every year. Chloe was awarded an Encouragement Award.

Congratulations also to the students who participated in the Cairns Language Competition which included, Rosa Askey-Doran, Stefanie Meaney, Makala Meaney and Mikaela Millerd. The effort and skills of Arosh Heenkenda, Taijana Goleby and Sophie Schrale were commendable.

To ensure the best learning outcomes for each one of their students, Arts and LOTE teachers do not hesitate to graciously give their time and effort outside the classroom. They also use every opportunity to enhance their own knowledge and skills. We are particularly very proud this year of the outstanding work of Ms Janai Sugars, the youngest teacher in the Arts and LOTE Department, who was awarded the Beginning Teacher Docemus Award.

Well done everyone! I am looking forward to a very rewarding term 4 and a great Art Exhibition on Thursday 13 October.

Mrs Francoise Nozaic **Curriculum Leader - The Arts & LOTE**

This term our language students had the opportunity to participate in a language excursion and a language speaking competition held in Cairns. As our year 9 French and Italian class are currently learning about French and Italian food, on Thursday the 21st of July, our students went on an excursion to enjoy eating crepes at "Le Petit café" in Kuranda.



This provided the opportunity for the students to practise their language ordering skills in an authentic context. The students enjoyed their day! Eight (8) French and Italian students participated in the Cairns Language speaking Competition held in Cairns. The students worked hard to prepare speeches and they showed courage to compete against many other students from other schools. St Stephen's students did really well and should be proud of their effort.

Congratulations to Arosh Heenkenda who was awarded 1st place in French, Taijana Goleby was awarded the 1st place in Italian and Sophie Schrale was awarded 2nd place in Italian.

The following students should also be congratulated for their participation: Rosa Askey-Doran: French, Stefanie Meaney: Italian, Felicity Meaney: Italian, Makala Meaney Italian and Mikaela Millerd: Italian.

Well done students!

Miss Laita Nozaic **Teacher LOTE**

THE ARTS & LOTE



The second half of the year is always an exciting time for our Visual Art students as exhibitions around the region invite student work to be submitted for display. Year 11 Visual Art student, Chloe Cleland, submitted artwork for the annual Energy Exhibition at The Tanks in Cairns. This exhibition is the largest regional showcase of high school student work in Australia, and Chloe's efforts were recognised when she was awarded a Peninsula Art Educators Association Encouragement Award. The Energy exhibition is running until the 29th September and is free admission if you are in Cairns over the holidays and wish to peruse the wealth of talent that Visual Art students have in the region. Chloe's work will also be on display at the St Stephen's Catholic College Arts Night on Thursday 13 October, along with other work by our talented arts students from years y-12. Come along and peruse the painting, drawing, printmaking and ceramic work that our Visual Art students have created throughout the year. Admission is free and includes music and drama performances.



Ms Kendra Todd
Visual Art/Media Art Teacher



THE ARTS & LOTE

For as long as popular music has existed, artists have been performing cover versions of songs by other artists. Today, with music streaming services and video sites like YouTube being so popular, it is easier than ever to share your own cover versions with the world.



The challenge for a cover artist in today's industry is to maintain originality and give the song a different treatment so it sounds new again.

This term, year 9 and 10 music students have been learning to give existing songs a makeover. They covered 80's classics, country ballads as well as modern songs by Ed Sheeran. Each group of students had to decide what parts of the song to keep, change or omit from their performance to give it new life, while still maintaining the essence of the original. Some of these cover versions will be performed at the Arts Exhibition on October 13 next term.

Ms Janai Sugars Music and Mathematics Teacher



Lillian Legge, Annalisse Troncone and Georgia Santucci



Cooper McGrath and Kealan Boyd



Taylah Phelan and Jamie Malcolm



Brianne So Choy and Brendan Wright

What's New in the Library!

The extension to the library has now finished and we are as excited as the students to be finally utilising the spaces. The tiered seating area has proven to be popular with the students during lunch times as has the booth seating. We are looking forward to many more classes being able to use these spaces during the next term.



Mrs Simone Gillies
Teacher - Librarian



ST STEPHEN'S GOLF OPEN

Hot and sunny conditions greeted the field for the 2016 St Stephen's Golf Open. Our eager golfers put on a wonderful display of skill and sportsmanship over 18 holes at the Mareeba Golf Club. I would like to thank Mr Mike Hallam and Mr Fabian Gallo for assisting with supervision throughout the tournament.

I would also like to acknowledge the staff from the Mareeba Golf course for his assistance in planning the event and generosity and the results are as follows:

JUNIOR MALE CHAMPION - Tom Flynn

JUNIOR MALE RUNNER UP - Logan Poggioli

SENIOR MALE CHAMPION - Tom Hallam

SENIOR MALE RUNNER UP - Darcy Hallam

OVERALL 2016 CHAMPION - Tom Hallam

Planning has already commenced for our 2017 Open event and I look forward to Golf participation growing amongst our students.

Mr Hadyn Flynn

Business Manager / Golf Co-ordinator

TABLELANDS SECONDARY SCHOOLS INTERSCHOOL TOUCH FOOTBALL

St Stephen's nominated both a senior and junior team in the interschool touch football competition in term 3. All students competed at a high level and represented St Stephen's extremely well, with final placings being the Junior team – 3rd with player of the season, Logan Poggioli and the Senior team – 5th with player of the season Dean Lambert. Congratulations to James Stevenson for winning the overall 'Sportsmanship of the Season' for the Senior Competition. Thank you to following students for refereeing: Dylan De Marzi, James Stevenson, Dean Lambert, Dayna Poggioli and Logan Poggioli. Congratulations to Katina Davis and Atherton Touch Association for organising a great interschool competition. We look forward to another successful competition in 2017.



INTERSCHOOL U12'S FOWLERS CUP NETBALL CARNIVAL - CAIRNS

Recently, St Stephen's year 7 top netballers competed at the Interschool U12 Fowler's Cup Netball Carnival in Cairns. The eight girls played convincingly against teams from Mossman, Bentley Park, Cairns and Atherton, only to be beaten by one point in the final game against Mossman State High. A big thank you to student umpire Tarryn Steele and scorer Rhyanna Yow-Yeh and the parents who provided transport and encouragement to the girls. A special thank you to Jill Crane for transporting the marquee for our college. The U13 team with their trophies (L to R): Dayna Terranova, Chloe Taylor, Dinithi Heenkenda, Lauren Santucci, Ella McCombie, Taijana Golby, Sinead Wolff and Tahlia Spena.



LAURA GEITZ TRAINING SESSION AT MAREEBA NETBALL



Year 9 St Stephen's students, Megan Crane, Nataliah Lopez, Gemmaley Madrid, Rhyanna Yow-Yeh and Deborah Hermanus were fortunate to have had a private training session with Laura Geitz, along with fellow students from Mareeba State High School.

Mrs Regina Holden and her family won a nation-wide competition with The Coffee Club and graciously offered the session to the Mareeba U14 Team.

A fantastic experience for all involved!



Daily Specials

MONDAY

Chicken Fillet Burger - \$4.00

WEDNESDAY

Greek Lamb Wraps - \$5.00

THURSDAY

Fish and Chips - \$5.00

FRIDAY

Calzones - \$5.50

Ham and Cheese
Ham, Cheese and Pineapple
Chicken and Cheese
Vegetable
Meat Lovers

MULTICULTURAL TUESDAY

AUSTRALIAN

Weeks 2 and 6

Pies - \$4.00

Sausage Rolls - \$2.00

MEXICAN

Weeks 3 and 7

Nachos - \$4.50

AMERICAN

Weeks 4 and 8

Hot Dogs - \$4.50

JAPANESE

Weeks 5

Sushi \$4.50

TERM 4 ONLY





Transition to University Session: Cairns

An exciting opportunity for year 12 students to prepare for the future.

The transition to University is often a daunting process. James Cook University has designed an exciting session to assist with making this transition smooth.

Our team will present on a range of topics including:

- Next Steps
- Enrolment
- Timetabling
- Alternative Pathways to Uni
- Importance of O-week
- Student Experience
- And much more!

Date: Any business day in November

Cost: FREE

How to book

Please contact the Australian Development Team to schedule a suitable time for a JCU representative to visit your school.

Contact: cnstufuturestudents@jcu.edu.au

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Innovator scholarships for tomorrow's leaders

\$5000 scholarships are now available to kick start your studies at one of the world's leading universities in science, environment and engineering.

The scholarships are for study of new Science and Engineering degrees at James Cook University that have been designed to position graduates for the careers of the future.

The Scholarships

- \$5000 awarded for study in 2017 of advanced technology programs at JCU (see program details)
- Applications open – Monday 12 September 2016
- Closing date – Apply now. No applications will be accepted after Friday 23 December 2016
- Scholarship funds are awarded before studies commence.

Eligibility

- Under 25 years of age on 31 December 2016
- Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Queensland Overall Positioning (OP) rank 1-8 or equivalent Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR), or other qualifications deemed as equivalent
- Only available to new students.

Apply now

Email our Innovator Scholarships Team to get an application pack:
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The programs

Scholarships are tied to applicants enrolling in the first year of one of the following programs:

Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) in Electronic Systems and the Internet of Things (IoT)

This four-year professional Engineering program will equip graduates to lead the technological innovations that are transforming the global economy. Studies include sensor technologies, big data analytics, wireless communication and networking and data communications. This course is only available at James Cook University.

Bachelor of Advance Science

At the core of the new Bachelor of Advance Science is a computational analytics program that will prepare graduates to be part of the innovative advances that transformative developments in computation are bringing to all scientific and technological disciplines.

Bachelor of Environmental Practice

A unique program designed to deliver the environmental management expertise required by corporate, government and not-for-profit sectors. Combines environmental, social and economic studies, with opportunities to specialise in areas such as Biodiversity Assessment and Management, Corporate Environmental Management, and Urban Environmental and Landscape design.

Further information

For an application pack, email the Innovator Scholarships team now:
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HOLIDAY BASKETBALL SKILLS CLINIC

WITH AMERICAN IMPORT JONNY MILLER



Jonny Miller comes from Washington DC, United States. He comes to Australia with a huge line of experience playing NCAA1 basketball at Eastern Illinois University. He has also played professionally in the Dominican Republic before arriving to Australia to play in the South East Australia Basketball League. Jonny Miller currently plays for the Brisbane Spartans coached by 6x NBL Champion & 2x Olympian CJ Bruton. Jonny is coming to share his knowledge and experience of the game with the youth of Australia.

Jonny Miller is offering a two-day clinic where he gives players an in depth look into how the game is played.

Are you ready to take your game to the next level?

2 Day Clinic at Mareeba Basketball Association Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd September.

2 hour sessions. U10 9am-11am, U12-U14 12pm-2pm, U16-U18 3pm-5pm

One day only \$40

Two days only \$50

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

This clinic will only go ahead if there are sufficient numbers register.

FOR BOOKINGS PLEASE CONTACT
Silvano 0437-455-888 OR
Silvanolinda@bigpond.com

FULL PAYMENT IS REQUIRED BY 19th September 2016. IF THERE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT NUMBERS YOU WILL RECEIVE A FULL REFUND. PAYMENT BY CASH ONLY.

2016 Casali's Down Syndrome Awareness Drive



SATURDAY 1ST & SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER, 2016

Traveling the CREB Track on RTV's & staying at the Lions Den Hotel!

REGISTER TODAY!
\$25 P/P
All Types of RTV's welcome!

To register & for more information, or to make a donation – please contact Bernice at Casali's
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Register by Friday, September 30

Casali's Down Syndrome Awareness Drive 2016





Thank you to our generous sponsors towards our fundraising efforts for this year's Tablelands Relay for Life. Your sponsorship is truly appreciated.