

St Stephen's  
Catholic College



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# St Stephen's News

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## CHESS TEAM OFF TO THE STATE TITLES!



St Stephen's Chess Team won the final round of the FNQ Inter-school Chess Competition Premier Division in Cairns recently. The team consisting of Hunter Liebold, Aaron Bryce, Caleb Shorey and Brandon Osborne will now advance to the State Finals in Brisbane next term. Over 340 students (a record number) competed at the tournament held at Trinity Anglican School, White Rock, which saw St Stephen's (20.5 points) beat Trinity Anglican School (17.5 points) and Cairns State High School (17 points) to be one of two teams selected in the high school division. St Stephen's also won the trophy for the highest scoring school for 2017.

The State Finals will be held at Anglican Church Grammar School (Churchie) in Brisbane on 14-15 October, where the team will be looking to match their 2015 performance when they were named State Regional Champions. In the Open Division, St Stephen's 3 team (Liam Baksaj, Eugenio Bambino, Dylan Cappella and Joshua Kievit) finished third overall, with Liam Baksaj taking out third in the individual competition. Thank you to Mr Harnischfeger for coaching the teams and to Amaroo Medical for their ongoing sponsorship of the St Stephen's Catholic College Chess Club.

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# NOTICES



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Thursday 31 August

Year 10 History Excursion

### Friday 1 September

Shake and Stir - Arts Council

### Monday 4 to Friday 8 September

Block Exams

### Monday 11 to Thursday 14 September

Year 10 Work Experience

### Monday 11 to Wednesday 13 September

Year 12 Recreation Camp

### Monday 11 September

Year 11 Leadership Day

### Tuesday 12 September

RNQ Schools MTB Challenge

### Thursday 14 September

FNQ Surf League

### Friday 15 September

St Stephen's Day

## Maths Tutoring Available

### Tuesday and Thursday

Recess 2 - MCR

### Wednesday

3.00 pm - 4.00 pm - Library

*Years 10 -12 only*



## 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 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. Phone: 4086 2523

## ABSENTEE E-MAIL

If your child is absent, please email

[absentee@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:absentee@sscc.qld.edu.au)

## COLLECTION OF STUDENTS BY PARENTS

*Please note - collection of student by parents during the school day:*

- Parents are to report to reception
- Students are to report to student services
- Students sign out before meeting parents at entrance to reception.

## 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

Working with young people is a great privilege for educators, especially when students are active learners who strive to achieve their potential. In the past fortnight, there have been numerous instances where students of St Stephen's have achieved excellent outcomes in a variety of endeavours.

On Thursday 17 August, the St Stephen's Chess Team was victorious at the Cairns Competition. The team will now compete at the Regional Championships in Brisbane in October, hopefully emulating their 2015 effort. Not to be underestimated are the dedication and enthusiasm of Mr Ellison (Chess Co-ordinator) and Mr Harnischfeger (Coach). In the scientific field, year eleven students, Dylan Cappella and Keeley Mason, have been selected to participate in the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra next January. As the selection process is quite rigorous, both students are to be congratulated on their resilience and perseverance. They will join like-minded students and set up invaluable networks. Not to be outdone by the senior students, year seven students achieved excellent results in the Australian Geography Competition, with one student, Joshua Snell, scoring in the top one percent of students of year seven in Australia. In the area of community service, our choir participated in the Multicultural Festival, while the Combined Saints Band entertained the Mareeba Shire Seniors during Seniors Week.

While the majority of our students strive to do their best, complete tasks on time and are respectful of our expectations, there is a small number who enjoy the privilege of being at such a great school without making any contribution. They deliberately disrupt the learning of others, are disrespectful and have no desire to be compliant. Unfortunately, for this small number, the pressure to meet the college's expectations will continue with consequences applied for non-compliance. In particular, students in year eleven who may fit this description need to remember that they are in the non-compulsory phase of learning. A commitment must be made for active learning or one may need to consider earning as a viable alternative. Parental support in persuading students to meet expectations is very important in the partnership between the home and the school.

As the flu season has hit Queensland with a vengeance, it is inevitable that there have been numerous absences of both students and staff over the past few weeks. This disruption in routine inevitably affects learning. While we have a loyal team of relief teachers to assist us, students need



to also take responsibility for their learning and try to catch up on work missed. I stress that school finishes on 15 September at 3.00 pm with St Stephen's Day celebrations. So that we are all on the same page, I urge parents to ensure that their children are at school until the end of the school day. Building relationships, extending service to others and participating in a thanksgiving mass is part of our culture. After a very busy term, especially for our year twelve students, the coming together on St Stephen's day is a wonderful way to finish the term.

Best wishes to our year twelve students who will sit the QCS (Queensland Core Skills) Test on 29 and 30 August. Over the past few months, they have been working hard to hone their skills to be able to achieve their personal best on what is a rigorous test. Thank you to families who have been supporting them behind the scene.

I will be participating in the final part of the Executive Development for Educational Leaders from 30 August to 1 September. This involves the presentation of a position paper which was based on my observations from the overseas study tour, research and a proposal for improvement at St Stephen's. It has been a rewarding experience and I am very fortunate to have been given the opportunity to participate by the Diocese.

With Trust in the Lord

**Mrs Ida Pinese | Principal**  
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## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CURRICULUM

Earlier this term, students in years eight and ten attended a subject selection evening, with their parents, as part of the process of making choices for 2018. The evening was well-attended, with displays by subject areas, tertiary providers and external training organisations providing students with the opportunity to gain valuable knowledge about future study and career options.

As stated on the evening, the subject selection process, particularly for year ten students, is the start of the conversation regarding their career pathway. Students should avail themselves of the resources at the college to assist them in exploring pathways. Mrs Murat - Careers Officer and Mrs Goleby - Vocational Education and Training (VET) Officer are located in S Block and are available for consultation. Students who are interested in a vocational pathway may choose to participate in school-based apprenticeships and traineeships and/or undertake study provided by an external training organisation such as Far North Queensland TAFE.

For our future year eleven students, there has been discussion at the Senior Education and Training Plan interviews about the suitability of their choices. Queensland law requires young people to be earning or learning until they turn 17. Under these reforms, all students in year ten must be registered with the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority and have completed individual Senior Education and Training Plans (SET Plans). Any advice provided at this interview is very useful in assisting students to make appropriate decisions for their senior studies. These interviews will conclude on Friday 1 September. Any parents who have not yet organised their SET Plan interview should contact Mrs Rosie Rantucci ([rgaggiano@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:rgaggiano@sscc.qld.edu.au)) as soon as possible to arrange a suitable appointment.



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## COMBINED SAINTS BAND - SENIORS WEEK



The Combined Saints Band entertain our senior citizens at morning tea on Friday to celebrate Seniors Week.



## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ADMINISTRATION

On Sunday 20 August 2017, two teams from St Stephen's Catholic College travelled to Cairns to compete in a regional Optiminds competition. The team "Nevermind" put together a play about a day in the life of a geek. In the performance, the geek faced a group of bullies who liked to put her down. When one girl decided to become her friend and saw her inner beauty, she chose to help the geek make her outside appearance as beautiful as her inside. The message at the end of the performance was that no matter what you look on the outside, it's what on the inside that

counts. The team did not place in the competition, but received the overall award for spirit. It was a fun day filled with many laughs and the girls look forward to competing again next year.



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From left to right: Cate Greenwood, Tylee Madrid, Justine Schermer, April Strickland, Lindsay McDonald, Tiahna Maloberti, Erin Cauchi, Emma Cavanagh, Amy Hill, Taijana Goleby, Grace Pillar and Ilana Bannink.



## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Daffodil Day

Thank you to those staff and students who supported the Social Justice Committee in selling 350 daffodils to raise much needed funds for the Cancer Council last Friday.



### Father's Day Mass – Sunday 3 September 10.00 am, St Thomas of Villanova Church, Mareeba.

Students and parents are invited to celebrate mass with the St Thomas of Villanova Parish this Sunday 3 September at 10.00 am. Members of our liturgy band will be assisting with the music for this occasion.

### St Stephen's Day – Friday 15 September

St Stephen's Day is a great opportunity for our community to celebrate our Catholic ethos and sense of community. All students are expected to be in attendance on this day and parents and friends of the college are invited to join us for a college mass to celebrate the Feast of St Stephen at 9.00 am in the Undercover Area. Students are to wear their sports uniform on this day and should bring along small change if they wish to purchase items and partake in the fete. Students will be able to purchase items from the tuckshop during recess one only; however, some food items will also be available for purchase during the fete. The schedule for the day is as follows:

8.40 am: Home form

9.00 am: Mass for the Feast of St Stephen

10.10 am: Recess

10.45 am: St Stephen's Talent Quest

12.00 pm: College Fete – Each home form to coordinate a stall to raise funds for St Vincent De Paul

1.30 pm: Staff vs Senior Students Netball Game/ Years seven to nine - Team Challenge Activities

2.55 pm - Dismissal

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# St Stephen's Day 2016



# FROM THE MIDDLE LEADER CURRICULUM - TECHNOLOGY

The INTAD Department is busily collating student work to enter it into the Business Liaison Association's competitions, which could see our students recognised publicly for all their hard work this year, not to mention be rewarded with the prizes that are up for grabs.



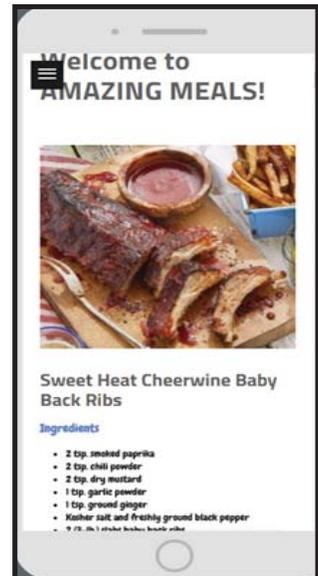
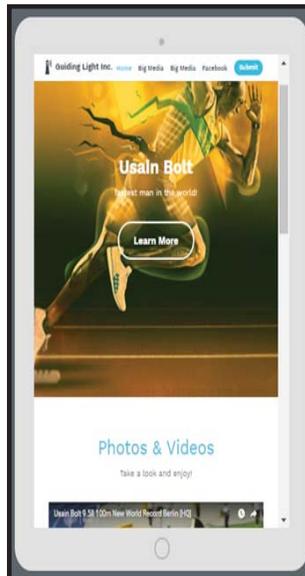
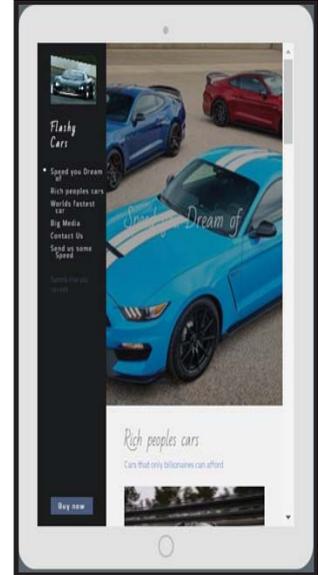
Categories in these competitions include graphical work, design work and also practical work. Over the past two years, St Stephen's Catholic College has had some very successful entries and we are hopeful that this year will be no different.

Year eight students have been very successful in expanding their understanding of robotics to include programming in RobotC. The Robotics lunch time group have also successfully entered several competitions this year, with the help of one of our parents, Mr Bryce.

Included are samples of some work being completed by our Digital Technology students who have been busily designing web pages with Mr Priestly.

Wishing you a relaxing spring holiday.

**Ms Toni Stevens**  
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Mr Caines with year eight Robotics students: Sumit Mally, Cody Harrigan, Jarek Sprecher, Elijah Zammataro, Linda Emmerick and Mackenzie Simms.



## FROM THE MIDDLE LEADER CURRICULUM - SCIENCE

The Science department had a very busy National Science Week. ICAS Science award winners were presented with their certificates on assembly recently, with 22 students achieving a merit or credit award. Five students performed with Distinction including: Linda Emmerick, Loralie Hinchcliffe, Gordon Yates, Travis Cummings and Aaron Bryce.

The UQ Science Ambassadors - Mackenzie Elms, Elena Pilat, Ella Blanch, Keeley Mason and Kross Seibert, organised lunchtime activities for the week. Year seven students, Sam Dixson, Beau Hatfield and Kaiden Anning, a team of future engineers, took out the Marshmallow Tower competition. Another junior student, Elijah Zammataro, won the Brain Bee Quiz. Congratulations to all students who have engaged with our science programs and activities.

Our annual year eleven Biology Camp also occurred in Science Week, with 28 students travelling to Holloways

Beach, where they carried out field work in a range of habitats, including mangroves and the Barron River. Seven of our bravest students completely immersed themselves in the mangrove study! Thank you to Mrs Jackson, Mrs Schermer, Mr Luff and Mr Draper for organising and running activities and/or supervising our students.



All science students will be completing assessment over the next two weeks. Good luck students. I'm sure you will do your very best.

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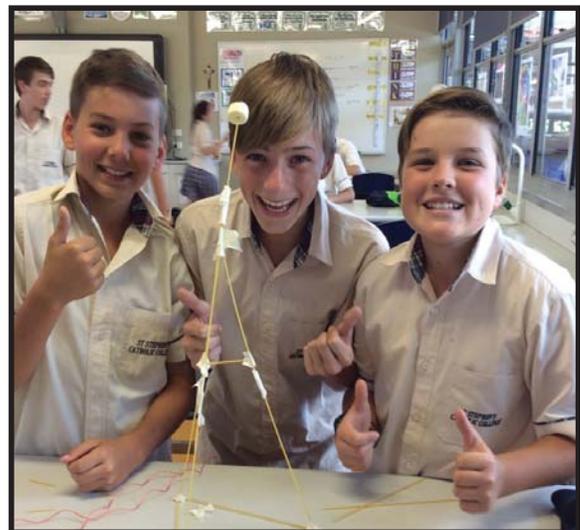
# Science Week



Year 11 - Biology Camp!



Above: Ella Blanch and Mackenzie Elms with Elijah Zammataro and below: Beau Hatfield, Kaiden Anning and Sam Dixson with their marshmallow tower.



## FROM THE MIDDLE LEADER PASTORAL - YEAR 11

Semester two is certainly shaping up to be a busy time for our year eleven cohort. Students should have received their semester one report cards over the end-of-semester holiday break and hopefully these reports provided our students and their families with something to reflect upon.

Year elevens who performed well academically or achieved excellent work ethic for semester one were rewarded for their achievement with a special lunch earlier this term. The lunch was a great opportunity to acknowledge our students and their successes. It was uplifting to see so many of our young people striving to achieve their goals and giving 100% to their school studies.

For those students whose report cards revealed that they may be underperforming, it is important that they do reflect upon their goals and implement strategies which may be needed to achieve well in their subjects. Our year eleven students are now past compulsory schooling, so they are at a point in their lives where they are at school because they want to be here, and there is a vast array of support available at the college to assist students in achieving their goals.

The only date claimer for the whole year eleven cohort this term is the Leadership Day on Monday 11 September (week ten) here at the college during regular school hours. The aim of the day is to ignite students' leadership aspirations and to prepare them for nomination of college leadership positions in 2018. Attendance at the Leadership Day is compulsory and lunch will be provided.

Other than that, I look forward to seeing our year elevens at St Stephen's Day on the last day of school this term, definitely a favourite amongst staff and students!

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## CANBERRA BOUND!



National Youth  
**Science Forum**

For the third successive year, year eleven students from St Stephen's Catholic College will be attending the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra in January 2018. This year's successful applicants, Keeley Mason and Dylan Cappella are looking forward to networking with like-minded students from around the country and enhancing their experience of Science.



## FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR

Recently, St Stephen's Catholic College held an Indigenous Poster Competition commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the 1967 Referendum and the 25th Anniversary of the Mabo Native Title case.



The 1967 Referendum allowed Indigenous people to be included in the census and the Federal Government was given the power to make laws for Indigenous people. The Mabo Native Title case recognised the traditional rights of the Indigenous people to land. The High Court also held that Native Title existed for all Indigenous people in Australia prior to the establishment of the British Colony of NSW in 1788.

We were very pleased with the high quality of entries and I would like to thank Mrs Antoinette Cole, CES Senior Education Officer - Indigenous Students, for judging the entries and also the P and F for providing the money to purchase iTunes card vouchers for our winners. All posters were displayed in the library.

### Winners:

First Prize (\$50.00): Combined effort of Amyrosa Enderlin, Alaina Smith, Dinithi Heenkenda and Roxanne Alterio

First Prize (\$50.00): Holly Bryce

First Prize (\$50.00): Holly Rankine

Second Prize (\$30.00): Emma Butler

Second Prize (\$30.00): Angus Baker

Third Prize (\$20.00): Samarah Casey

Third Prize (\$20.00): Combined effort of Bonnie McWaters and Stephanie Gegg

### Mrs Michelle Hall

#### Guidance Counsellor

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## RECONCILIATION

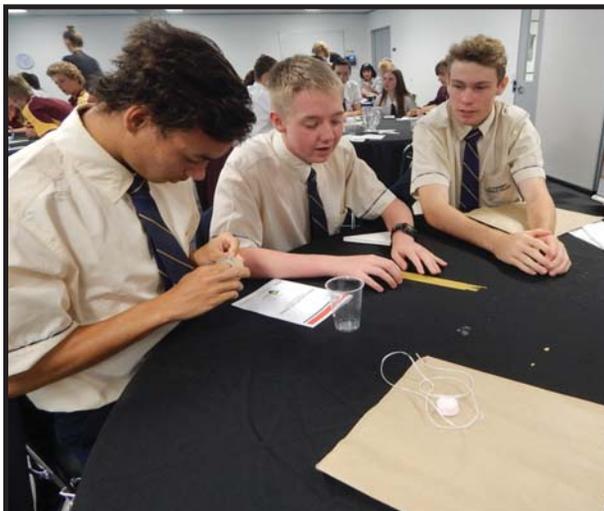
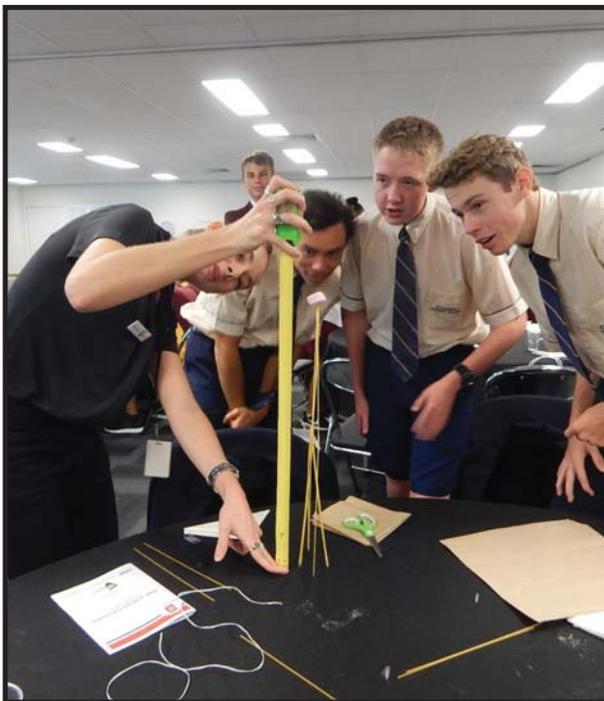
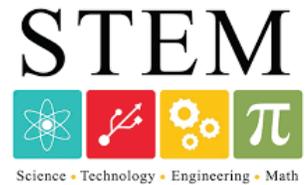
## FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR

On Friday 4 August 2017, Kealan Boyd, Sam Daniell, Joshua Kievit, Keeley Mason, Brandon Osborne and Layton Osborne, were invited to a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) breakfast hosted by Central Queensland University (CQU).

The morning consisted of engaging guest speakers from CQU who are currently enrolled in STEM courses, Engineering and Nutritional Science. Each of the speakers provided an insight into some of the experiences they had in their respective fields. The event included the guest speakers, breakfast, and a marshmallow tower competition, where St Stephen's built the highest free-standing tower!



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### Queensland University of Technology (QUT)

**Important reminder:** The due date to register for auditions and submit portfolios for Creative Industries courses that have additional entry requirements is 5.00 pm Friday 15 September, 2017. This is the last date to register for auditions for acting, dance, dance performance and music and the last date to register and submit portfolios for fashion and visual arts, and business/visual arts double degree. Visit the additional entry requirements webpage (<https://www.qut.edu.au/study/applying/undergraduate-applications/additional-entry-requirements>), to access more information and to register: <https://www.qut.edu.au/study/applying/undergraduate-applications/additional-entry-requirements>



**Changes to the Elite Athlete admission process:** Applicants can now apply for the QUT's Elite Athlete entry scheme through QTAC. QTAC will assess eligibility for the scheme and request supporting documentation directly from applicants. Where applicable, QTAC will obtain supporting evidence directly from the Queensland Academy of Sport (QAS), if the applicant is with the QAS, or the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS). Applicants can nominate themselves as an Elite Athlete at any time; however, QTAC documentation due dates will apply (see p. 21 of the 2018 Year 12 Guide). QUT will inform successful elite athlete applicants on their bonus outcomes and QUT's supporting services. Information regarding eligibility and how to apply for the scheme is now available on the QUT Elite Athlete Special Entry Scheme page: <http://www.qtac.edu.au/applications/application-resources/assistance-schemes/qut-elite-athlete-special-entry-scheme>

**Holiday campus tours:** High school students and their parents are invited to come and have a look around the QUT campuses during the September school holidays. This can include a guided tour of Gardens Point or Kelvin Grove campuses, tour of the Creative Industries Precinct at Kelvin Grove and hearing from current students about their life at university. Visit the QUT website for more information: <https://www.qut.edu.au/study/events/holiday-campus-tours>

### University of Queensland (UQ)

#### Bonus ranks for regional and remote students applying for UQ Health courses

Students from regional and remote areas may be eligible for an additional two bonus ranks for a range of UQ courses under the Rural Access Scheme and courses include:

- Doctor of Medicine (Provisional Entry) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=5578&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=5578&year=2018)
- B Clinical Exercise Physiology (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2413&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2413&year=2018)
- B Dental Science (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2367&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2367&year=2018)
- B Health, Sport Physical Education (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2372&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2372&year=2018)
- B Midwifery (and dual) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2261&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2261&year=2018)
- B Nursing (and dual) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2241&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2241&year=2018)
- B Veterinary Science (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2378&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2378&year=2018)
- B Occupational Therapy (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2368&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2368&year=2018)
- B Pharmacy (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2373&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2373&year=2018)
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- B Psychological Science (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2379&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2379&year=2018)
- B Social Work (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2382&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2382&year=2018)
- B Speech Pathology (Honours) [https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad\\_prog=2370&year=2018](https://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=2370&year=2018)

Visit the Rural Access Scheme website (<https://future-students.uq.edu.au/applying/applying-undergraduate-study/special-entry-schemes/rural-access-scheme>), for more information. Note that at UQ you can receive only a maximum of five bonus ranks over all bonus schemes: <https://future-students.uq.edu.au/applying/applying-undergraduate-study/special-entry-schemes/rural-access-scheme>

## FROM THE CAREERS OFFICER

### 2018 Science and Engineering scholarships at Queensland University of Technology (QUT) for Year 12 students

Students applying for courses within the Science and Engineering Faculty at QUT can apply for several scholarships and these include:

**Dean's Scholars Programme:** When you apply for a QUT Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship and other relevant scholarships (<https://www.qut.edu.au/science-engineering/courses-and-study/scholarships-bursaries-and-development-programs/deans-scholars-program>), you may also be eligible for this program. Successful applicants have access to a range of programs including professional and leadership development and mentoring. Applications for the Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships close on 17 November 2017.

**Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship:** Recipients of this scholarship have access to the Westpac Alumni Program, mentoring, internship opportunities and other events and activities. Applications close on 17 November 2017: <https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships-and-prizes/westpac-young-technologist-scholarship>

**Indigenous scholarships and support:** Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander students commencing a degree can apply for the Undergraduate Indigenous Scholarship. If you gain entry through the Centralised Assessment Selection Program, (<https://www.qut.edu.au/about/oodgeroo>) your fees will be covered for science and maths preparatory bridging courses. Application dates are not currently available.

**Women in Engineering Scholarship:** There are up to 10 of these scholarships for females applying for the B Engineering. Recipients of these scholarships are expected to play a leading role in QUT's Women in Engineering Program. Applications close on 17 November 2017: <https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships-and-prizes/women-in-engineering-scholarship>

**Women in Information Technology Merit Scholarship:** Up to six of these scholarships are available to female Year 12 students with an OP 1 – 5 who gain entry to an undergraduate information technology degree. Applications close on 17 November 2017: <https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships-and-prizes/women-in-information-technology-scholarship>

Visit the scholarship website for more information about these scholarships: <https://searching.qut.edu.au/search/search.cgi?query=scholarships&collection=corpmeta>

### Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships at the Queensland University of Technology (QUT)

These scholarships are now open and include:

- Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships (Academic) – applications close on 17 November 2017 (80 scholarships worth \$30,000.00 each and 10 scholarships worth \$10,000.00 each)
- Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships (Creative Industries) – no application process required as recipients are chosen from the pool of Creative Industries course applications (12 scholarships worth \$10,000.00 each)
- Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships (Elite Visual and Performing Arts) – no application process required as recipients are chosen from the pool of Creative Industries course applications in Dance Performance, Visual Arts, Acting and Music (8 scholarships worth \$30,000.00 each)
- Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships (Elite Athlete) – applications close on 17 November 2017 (8 scholarships worth \$30,000.00 and 12 scholarships worth \$10,000.00)

To find out more, visit the QUT scholarship website: <https://searching.qut.edu.au/search/search.cgi?query=scholarships&collection=corpmeta>

## FROM THE CAREERS OFFICER

### University of Queensland (UQ) Academic Scholarship Programme

The university-wide academic scholarships available at UQ for Year 12 students are:

- UQ Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships (awarded to applicants achieving at the very top of the OP 1 band or equivalent) valued at \$12,000.00 per year for up to five years
- UQ Excellence Scholarships (awarded to OP 1 applicants who demonstrate outstanding academic leadership and/or community service achievements during their senior secondary studies) valued at \$6,000.00 for up to four years
- UQ Merit Scholarships (awarded to OP 1 – 3 applicants who demonstrate significant academic, leadership and/or community service) valued at \$6,000.00 for the first year of study.

All three scholarships can be applied for on the one application. Applications close on 31 October 2017. Specific information about these scholarships and the application process can be found on the website: <https://scholarships.uq.edu.au/program/uq-academic-scholarship-program>

### I am OP ineligible, when will I get my selection rank?

You can find out your OP ineligible selection rank by going into your application on the QTAC website (enter through the 'Applicant log in') in late December 2017. You will only receive your rank through QTAC. The Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) will not give it to you when you receive your Year 12 results in mid-December. If you are not a QTAC applicant, phone QTAC on 1300 467 822 to find out your OP ineligible selection rank.

**Mrs Havva Murat-Maksuti**

**Careers Officer**

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## School-Based Traineeship Opportunities for 2018

Cairns Zoom and Wildlife Dome – Cert III in Tourism

Tropic Wings – Cert III in Tourism

Rainforestation Nature Park (Kuranda) – Cert III in Hospitality or Cert III in Tourism

Wildlife Habitat (Port Douglas) – Cert III in Hospitality

See Mrs Goleby in S Block staff room for application form





Congratulations to the following students who are representing St Stephen's Catholic College at the upcoming Peninsula Sports being held in Brisbane. Above (from left to right): Liam Eastgate-Hards, Sophie Raciti, Hope Kennedy, Chloe Taylor, Tonia-Marie Rantucci, Dinithi Heenkenda, Deane Alterio, Abby Taylor, Tyler Ius, Ryan Johnston and inset: Jonah Hastie-Hooley. Best wishes to all students!



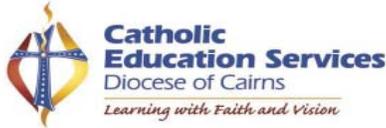
## MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL - MAREEBA



Thank you to those students who sang at the Mareeba Multicultural Festival on Saturday 26 August, along with Miss Janai Sugars. Students included: Sofi Heath, Lillian Legge, Sumit Mally, Jamie Malcolm, Nikita Bianco, Michala Thomson, Tajjana Goleby and Clare Newton.



# ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2018



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21 August 2017

Dear Staff, Parents and Students of St Stephen's Catholic College

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Miss Janai Sugars to the position of Acting Assistant Principal – Religious Education at St Stephen's Catholic College. Miss Sugars will take up her appointment from the beginning of 2018.

Currently, Miss Sugars is the Middle Leader Curriculum – Arts and LOTE at the College. She has been on staff at St Stephen's Catholic College since 2014.

Miss Sugars brings to this important role her strong faith, a sense of servant leadership and experience organising conferences, liturgies and youth retreats. This is well complemented with her strong work ethic and an eagerness to learn and grow.

Miss Sugars' qualifications include a Bachelor of Education – James Cook University. She was the 2016 *Docemus Award* recipient for the Early Career Teacher and attended the Los Angeles Religious Education Congress in 2017. Miss Sugars is a current participant in the Cairns Catholic Education Services *Aspiring Leaders Program*.

The interview panel consisted of Fr John Sullivan - Parish Priest, Mrs Ida Pinese - Principal, Dr Sally Towns – Director School Development, Secondary and Mrs Daniela Soncin – Parent Representative. We thank the panel members for their commitment to this important process.

Please join us in congratulating Miss Sugars on her appointment. Together, we look forward to her continued contribution to St Stephen's Catholic College and its greater community.

Yours sincerely

Bill Dixon  
Executive Director

Fr John Sullivan  
Parish Priest

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Miss Janai Sugars, along with Mrs Michelle Hall, attended the Aspiring Leaders Presentation Night held in Cairns recently.



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## Memo

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**To:** All Principals

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**Attention:**

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**From:** Bill Dixon

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**cc:** Senior Leadership Team

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**Date:** 25 August 2017

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**Re:** Pupil Free Day Monday 16 April 2018

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### **Pupil Free Day Monday 16 April 2018**

As foreshadowed in earlier consultation we have been considering whether to follow the lead of state schools to make Monday 16 April 2018 a Pupil Free Day (PFD). The Queensland Government made this decision to facilitate bus availability for the closing ceremony for the Commonwealth Games. I have been advised that other Catholic dioceses across Queensland will now also have a PFD on 16 April.

Accordingly, I now advise that all Catholic schools in the Diocese of Cairns will have a PFD on 16 April next year. Schools should advise their communities as soon as possible and repeat this advice at appropriate dates in the leadup to 16 April, so that families have time to consider alternative arrangements.

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## RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL (RSA)

### One (1) Day Workshop

Learn the safe, responsible and legal requirements for dispensing and serving alcohol in accordance with State legislation. The offering of a full day face to face course offers benefits to people that are doing RSA for the first time or people that are new to the industry. A range of practical skills will be assessed. A statement of attainment will be issued upon successful completion of this course and this will be recognition for RSA documentation for industry.

#### Provide Responsible Services of Alcohol

##### Career prospects:

Everyone involved in the sale and supply of alcohol in QLD in a licensed premise are required to complete this qualification. An RSA Certificate is required for work in hospitality establishments such as: Clubs / Hotels / Resorts / Restaurants / Bars.

### Details of Course: One (1) full day face-to-face workshop

**Dates:** Tuesday 3 October 2017 (Year 12)

Wednesday 4 October 2017 (Year 11)

**Venue:** St Stephens Catholic College

**Time:** 9.00 am – 3.00 pm

**Cost:** \$75.00

**LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE! BE QUICK!**

**Enrolments close Wednesday, 6 September 2017**

**See Mrs Goleby in S Block Staff room TODAY!**



Tennis Qld in conjunction with Mareeba Tennis club invites you and your family to a special event.

## Run&Roll Inclusive Wheelchair Tennis event as part of Disability Action Week - <http://freshwatertennis.org/>

**When?** – Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup> 3.00 – 5.30pm

**Where?** – Mareeba Tennis Club

**Why?** – To try wheelchair tennis, network and discover opportunities.

**Format for the afternoon:**

- ✓ Welcome by Club Committee
- ✓ Mareeba Councillor to open the event
- ✓ Introduction by wheelchair athletes, Heath Davidson & Keegan Oh-Chee – their life's journey
- ✓ Exhibition wheelchair doubles Run&Roll match, club members playing with Paralympians
- ✓ 'Come and try' wheelchair tennis for everyone – able bodied and wheelchair
- ✓ Videos on display – wheelchair tennis hub, Heath Davidson finals in Rio Olympics
- ✓ Strawberries and ice-cream



Please RSVP to Mareeba Tennis Club [mareebatennis@bigpond.com](mailto:mareebatennis@bigpond.com) or 4092 4685  
We look forward to seeing you on the day.



**ACTIVITIES & DEMONSTRATIONS**

**3D ILLUSION CHALK ART MURAL BY JENNY MCCRACKEN**

**FREE COMMUNITY EVENT**

**MUSIC**

**CHALK ART FREESTYLE ZONE**

**ARTS MARKET DAY**

**MAREEBA ARTS FESTIVAL**

**Mareeba SHIRE COUNCIL**

**Queensland Government**

**SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER 2017**  
**ARNOLD PARK MAREEBA**  
**10AM - 3PM**

JOINTLY FUNDED BY RADF & MSC  
THE REGIONAL ARTS DEVELOPMENT FUND IS A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT AND MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL TO SUPPORT LOCAL ARTS AND CULTURE IN REGIONAL QUEENSLAND.