# St Stephen's Catholic College

# Trust in the Lord

# St Stephen's News

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# Muluridji does it again!

For the second successive year, Muluridji Pastoral House won the Inter-House Swimming Carnival. Strong student participation contributed to the carnivals success.



Students celebrating their win.



Muluridji House Leaders: Anthony Cuda and Dayna Poggioli.



Age Champions with Mrs Pinese.



The winning Open Boys Relay Team.

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Tuesday 7 March Year 8 Geography Excursion

Wednesday 8 March District Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 14 March SSCC Cross Country (from 12.35 pm)

Wednesday 15 March Year 9 Biology / Geology Excursion

Monday 20 March to Friday 24 March Exam Week

Monday 27 March to Friday 31 March Year 7 Camp (Girls from 27-29 and Boys from 29-31)

Monday 29 March Bill Turner and Volley Ball Gala Day

Friday 31 March Easter Liturgy

**Tuesday 9 May to Thursday 11 May** NAPLAN for Years 7 and 9

# **DATE CLAIMERS**

Year 10 Work Experience Dates Term 2 - 19 to 21 June Term 3 - 11 to 14 September Further information will be sent in due course.

# **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!



# SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

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

# 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

#### 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) with any information and photos.

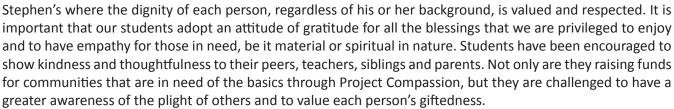
## CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS?

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 or phone 4086 2500.

#### Dear Parents and Friends of St Stephen's

#### "The Word is a gift. Other persons are a gift" (Pope Francis' message for Lent, 2017)

Today the entire college community gathered for the Ash Wednesday liturgy which marks the beginning of the Lenten season. During this time, Pope Francis exhorts us to form positive relationships with others by recognising their value. We are asked to open our hearts to others because each person is a gift; in them we recognise the face of Christ. Those we encounter are deserving of our acceptance, respect and love. This is in keeping with the culture of St



This appreciation of the contribution of others was very evident at the Inter-house Swimming Carnival held last Friday. I sincerely thank all parents who supported the college's expectation that all students should attend this event. It was a very enjoyable carnival with great team spirit and lots of fun was had by those who attended. Congratulations to the winning Pastoral House, Muluridji and to all students who participated with pride for their house and college. I would like to extend the entire college's appreciation and gratitude to Mr O'Neill and Mrs Comino for their extensive preparation, and thank all staff and parents who assisted and supported our students. The next sporting event on the college calendar is the annual Inter-house Cross Country Race on 14 March. Parents are most welcome to watch the Cross Country which takes part from about 12.35 pm onwards.

Not only did students demonstrate their swimming talents on 24 February, but six of their peers embraced the challenge of the Lions Youth of the Year competition at Mareeba and Atherton last Saturday night. All competitors are to be applauded for their courage in accepting a challenge, competence in public speaking and commitment. Congratulations to Maddison Leonforte who won the public speaking section and to Ashley Greenwood who was the overall winner in Atherton. We wish Ashley the very best for the next round on 11 March.

In meeting these challenges, our senior students need to have highly-developed time management skills. The importance of being organised and working at full capacity was clearly articulated at the Year twelve Information Evening on 20 February. When there is a strong relationship between the student, school and parents, students are able to achieve their potential. The world beyond St Stephen's is highly competitive and we are not doing our students any favours if we do not raise the bar.

On Thursday, 2 March, several students are competing in the Gardner Chess Competition and we wish them the very best in this endeavour. It is refreshing to see so many keen students engage in this enrichment activity in their recess time. Along with the Robotics Club, it provides opportunities for students to shine outside the conventional classroom and develop strategic thinking skills.





## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Enrolment growth has been strong this year, with the college population at 558 students. Year seven students have settled into the routines of the college extremely well, and along with all other students, are working towards the completion of first term assessment tasks. In the next few weeks, information about interim reports and parent/teacher interviews will be conveyed to parents and carers. Effective communication between the school and the home is essential for student well-being and I encourage all parents to contact teachers if they have a concern about their child's progress.

In this season of Lent, let us look on others with "soft eyes" and value and respect them.

With Trust in the Lord

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



# LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to the six students who participated in "The Lions Youth of the Year" in Mareeba (Tulani Lea'uanae, Georgia Hatfield and Elena Pilat) and Atherton (Ashley Greenwood, Maddison Leonforte and Sabine Conolly). In Atherton, Ashley won the overall---- and Maddison won the public speaking. Ashley will now move onto the next round in two weeks, where he will meet the winner of the Mareeba chapter from Mareeba State High School. Many thanks to Mrs Gillies and Miss Peters who supported our students in Atherton and to Mrs Schincariol's support in Mareeba. I was able to attend the event in Mareeba and was very impressed by our students' efforts. A big thank you to Mrs Schincariol and Mrs Gillies for mentoring our contestants and to Mrs Bulst who assisted students during their impromptu speeches.

#### Mrs Ida Pinese | Principal





Left: Elena Pilat, Georgia Hatfield and Tulani Lea'uanae. Above: Maddison Leonforte, Ashley Greenwood and Sabine Conolly.

# FROM THE COLLEGE LEADER PASTORAL CARE

#### **Student Safety**

With the inclusion of a second bus zone on Cater Road, buses no longer queue along the McIver Road entrance to the school. This has provided opportunity to establish six (6) extra parent pick up and drop off points. Parents are invited to use this external area as a pick-up point as an addition to the drop off pick/up point within the college. Students crossing McIver Road and heading towards town are required to walk down the footpath toward the chapel and cross at the yellow line which is the designated crossing point. Students are not permitted to cross the road directly opposite the McIver Road gate, as it presents a safety issue. For this reason, staff are rostered on at this access point to ensure the safety of students departing.



#### **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 that have a variation to uniform will be accompanied by an explanatory note from parents/guardians.

#### **Swimming Carnival**

Congratulations to Muluridji once again for their outstanding performance at the Swimming Carnival. I would particularly like to mention the terrific atmosphere created by the active involvement of all students and the good nature in which they conducted themselves. Feedback from staff reported that our Pastoral House Leaders and Pastoral House representatives performed their jobs very well and are to be commended for their energy and commitment to their roles.

#### **Pastoral Challenge**

#### It's about perseverance, not perfection.

That phrase is critical to a positive mindset. Many cling to it because they are tempted to give up when they make a mistake or appear to take too long to achieve skill mastery. Perfection is impossible. With persistence, you can progress, one step at a time. We need to do what we can do to the best of our ability and let God do the impossible. The early Christians faced tough choices too. Luke included in his Gospel passage, a reminder to people that Christ stands with us through temptation, persecution, and even failure. It's tough out there. But remember, Jesus says we secure our lives through perseverance as Christians. That means we need to keep trying. Over time we'll see progress in our Christian living, not just in our academic performance and we'll worry less about perfection and become more concerned for others.

#### What action are we called to take?

There's a strange comfort in knowing that God is with us - in good times and bad, even when it's not obvious. Today we are called to be watchful for others who may be struggling with the temptation to give in. You might not be able to change their circumstances, but you can be sensitive to their needs. Keep that in mind this week as you practise *Micah 6:8 (NIV)* which inspires us to *"act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with (your) God".* 

Mr Matthew Draper College Leader Pastoral Care mdraper@sscc.qld.edu.au



# FROM THE P AND F EXECUTIVE

#### St Stephen's Catholic College Parents and Friends Association Annual General Meeting 2017 President's Report

As we commence yet another school year, now is the time to welcome our new families and friends, and returning members, as well as taking the opportunity to reflect on the achievements of 2016.

At the beginning of 2016, the members of the new Executive Committee in conjunction with the College Principal Mrs Pinese, took the liberty of changing the format of the P and F meetings. In acknowledging the busy lives of the Executive members, the consistently low numbers in attendance at P and F meetings and the belief that P and F business could still be achieved with less face to face meetings, we scheduled a meeting each term and agreed to attend to any other business as required via email or the telephone.

On reflection, the new model has been a success. We have managed to respond in a timely manner when required, our face to face meetings have been productive and a valuable face to face sharing of College news, bills have been paid on time, and in some way we have gone to supporting a little more work-life balance for the members of the Executive and the College Administration who attend the P and F meetings on a regular basis.

We have still managed to provide healthy support to the College this year through financial support for local projects. In total we approved the expenditure of \$21,797.00 for the purchase of School Counsellor resources for teachers and students; outdoor tables, bench seats and shade sails; and equipment for the physical fitness project. This expenditure has utilised the funds raised through the P and F student levy, which is paid each term by our college families. This generally saves the need for fund raising, although we continue to consider any options that are proposed to us, and consider grant opportunities as they arise.

Our 2016 P and F Executive has been a small but capable and responsive team and it has been a pleasure to work with them. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Carolyn, Jennifer and Leonie for their ongoing support to the College P and F including regular attendance at meetings and other P and F events. On behalf of the Committee I would like to acknowledge and thank Mrs Pinese, Mr Flynn and Mrs Szerstuk for their ongoing advice and support of our team throughout the year.

Applications to the P and F Student Support Scheme have been much less this past year and I suggest that this is revisited with stronger promotion through the 2017 school year. The application form and process are on the College website and will be revisited for ratification for the new College year in the near future.

We are always keen to welcome more families into the P and F and encourage any members of the college and broader community to attend our meetings when they are scheduled. Our meetings are short and pithy and full of useful information. We also welcome any ideas to help bring the College community together in a meaningful way to enjoy just that – the community of families.

In closing, I wish the 2017 St Stephen's Catholic College P and F, students, teachers and college community every success during the coming 12 months.

Dr Ann Aitken President – SSCC P and F 2016

# 2017 P AND F EXECUTIVE

President - Dr Ann Aitken Vice President - Mrs Leonie Jennings Secretary - Mrs Caroline Tomerini Treasurer - Mrs Jennifer McCarthy

## FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR

#### In order to be successful, it is important to be able to organize and plan one's time effectively. Knowing how to study is another important skill and as the term progresses, your child will be busy preparing and completing assessment tasks. The P and F Association has kindly renewed our school subscription this year to an online study skills website.



Students can use this at home or at school. The website address is: www.studyskillshandbook.com.au. Students have been emailed the Logon and Password. Please contact me if they have forgotten how to log on.

Some of the topics on this interactive website include:

- Working Better at Home: Home Study Environment; Organization and Filing; Time Management Skills; Managing Workload; Dealing with Distractions; Overcoming Procrastination; Developing Motivation; Goal Setting; Lifestyle and Balance; Managing Stress.
- Working Better at School: Will we ever use this?; Using class time; Asking for Help; Dealing with Conflict; Group work skills.
- Improving How You Study: Summarizing; Active Studying; Preparing for Exam Blocks; Test-taking Techniques; After Tests and Exams.
- Improving Your Skills: Reading; Writing; Maths; Science: Foreign Language; Assignment Skills; Research Skills; Presentation Skills.
- Extra Technology Mini-Units: Technology Tools; Basic Computer Skills; Be Cybersmart; Apps for iPhone/iPad or Android; Microsoft OneNote.
- Extra general mini-units: Starting Secondary School; Becoming A Senior Student; Bullying: Issues and Strategies; Managing Part-time Jobs; Your Brain and Your Memory; Live Your Best Life; Educational Kinesiology; Living Across 2 Houses; Travel: A Motivator to Learn; University: A New Adventure.

Kind regards,

#### Mrs Michelle Hall Guidance Counsellor mhall3@sscc.qld.edu.au



# FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

It has certainly been a productive start to the year for our students in Science. Year 12 Biology students have been busy carrying out their Extended Experimental Investigations for assessment, while the Science in Practice classes are once again setting up their horticulture projects. On 15 March, two of our Year 9 Science classes



will undertake a geology excursion to the southern Tablelands, where they will visit the Mt Hypipamee Crater, Bromfield Swamp, the Malanda Visitors Centre and Halloran's Hill Conservation Park.

In the next week, students who have excelled in Science in Years 8, 9 and 10 will be invited to participate in the ICAS Science Competition. I would like to encourage all those invited to take the opportunity to participate in this nationwide program, which helps students to identify their strongest higher order thinking skills, and to also show them where they can improve.

Another STEM initiative in 2017 is the University of Queensland Science Ambassadors Program. This year, four of our Year 11 students will take up the role of ambassador including Ella Blanch, Mackenzie Elms, Keeley Mason and Elena Pilat. These students, together with several other Year 11 Science enthusiasts, will help to run our lunch time Science Club, and the National Science Week activities in August. Congratulations girls!

The Science department this year welcomes Dr Natalie Leo to our staff. Ms Leo specialises in Chemistry, and she is also teaching junior Science and Maths. We wish her every success at St Stephen's Catholic College.

#### Mrs Pepita Ison Middle Leader Curriculum - Science pison@sscc.gld.edu.au





# YEAR 11 NEWS

Welcome back to all our Year 11 students and their parents. I am the Year 11 and 12 Pastoral Leader this year. Our Year 11's seem to have settled in well to their first year of senior schooling, but I ask our parents to please contact the college if your child ever feels overburdened by the pressures that Year 11 can certainly bring.

We welcomed four (4) new students in Year 11 at St Stephen's this year: Cheyenne Hopgood, James McKean, Locklan Pantovic, and Taylah Wells, who have all joined Augustine. We are pleased to have them on board, and we wish them a memorable and successful time at our college.

This year began with a literal high for our Year 11's as they participated in the annual Year 11 Community Day on Friday 17 February, soaring above the rainforest on the Skyrail, trying their hand at boomerang and spear throwing at Tjapukai, and fulfilling many childhood dreams by playing soldiers and exploring the tanks at the Australian Armour and Artillery Museum. Despite a few bumps in the road, the day was hugely successful and thoroughly enjoyed by staff and students alike. The Community Day was our big date claimer for this year, but plans are underway for other events throughout the year, so stay tuned for more information.

As always, your child's subject and home form teachers are your first port of call if you have any concerns, but please feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions or require additional support. I can be contacted via phone at the College office on 4086 2500 or via email on scrockford@sscc.qld.edu.au

I wish you all a very prosperous and blessed 2017, and I look forward to meeting you all at some point throughout the year.

Mrs Stacey Crockford Year 11 and 12 Pastoral Leader scrockford@sscc.qld.edu.au



Keeley Mason, Jaide Conn and Zoe Quintieri.



**Being Soldiers.** 



Gondola Ride.



Performing at Tjapukai.



# YEAR 8 NEWS

This year, 109 Year 8 students have settled back into life as a high school student with great ease and maturity. These students are now more familiar with routines, using lockers, being organised for each lesson and taking responsibility for their own learning. Some of the Year 8's have also mentored our new Year 7 students by



showing them the ropes, taking some lost Year 7's to their classes and providing friendship and care for our newest members of the St Stephen's community. Year 8's will be asked to assist with the Year 7's from time to time, to help with the transition of being a high school student, develop positive cross-age relationships, contributing to a positive and caring school culture and by providing positive role models which will strengthen our school community. Developing pastoral care is important at St Stephen's and this was also displayed at the swimming carnival last week with the Year 8's leading the way with the junior students. Their involvement and commitment to events should be commended.

Now that week six has arrived with a bang, the workload will increase and it is still important to assist your child with their learning and time management skills. With help, your child will be able to juggle many commitments and interests effectively as well as establish good habits for later life. Students need to use their SRB effectively through using the term planner on page 12 and A3 calendar to plan activities, study requirements, deadlines for assignments, listing of exam dates and other commitments. Please check the assessment calendar on the school website for upcoming tasks. Setting a priority against each task is important in helping your child achieve goals rather than being overwhelmed. It is essential that their SRB goes home every night with all up-to-date information recorded. Please take time to check your child's SRB. If your child needs help in planning their time, or they feel that all their commitments are getting on top of them, please seek advice from their teachers, myself or speak with our guidance counsellor, Mrs Hall.

#### **Quick tips for students – Time Management**

- 1. Create a daily 'to do' list.
- 2. List goals and set priorities.
- 3. Do 'A's' first (Most important things).
- Do it now.
- 5. Ask yourself "What is the best use of my time right now?"

- 6. Be realistic: New habits take time to develop.
- Reward yourself for small steps of progress towards your goals each week

#### **Organisational matters**

- Familiarise yourself with the uniform policy (page 8 and 9 of SRB or school website)
- Any uniform infringements require a signed note from parent/carer
- SRBs need to be checked and signed Thursday afternoon or Friday morning (NOT in advance) on a weekly basis ready for Home Form on Friday
- Make sure all zipper folders are clearly labelled (on spine of folder is preferred)

It is a great pleasure to welcome our five (5) new Year 8 students including Teneisha Pedro, Riley Hart, Slade Roberts, Bonnie Dyer-McWaters and Manouche Mounier and I hope that they have settled into St Stephen's community well. I look forward to another fantastic year with many goals achieved through working together.

#### Mrs Jayarani Salerno Year 7 and 8 Pastoral Leader *jsalerno@sscc.gld.edu.au*



# **VALENTINE'S DAY 2017**

Valentine's Day Fundraiser was ably led by Student Representative Council members: President – Maddison Leonforte, Vice-President – Marco Soncin, Secretary – Antonio Cabassi and Treasurer – John Tomerini. The SRC executive has worked tirelessly through lunch times to ensure the success of the fundraiser. Thanks also to the Social Justice Committee who assisted with the fundraising. The students sold 460 roses and raised \$775.50 for a project. This event would not have happened without the help of other year 12 students and office staff. We would also like to thank "Village Rose" for supplying the roses.



Macy Pezzelato (President of the Social Justice Committee) assisting Maddison Leonforte (President of the Student Representative Council).

# **2017 INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL**



#### **Pastoral House Leaders**

- Left: Anthony Cuda and Dayna Poggioli - Mulurdji.
- Right: Isabelle Nisbet and Alex Phillips - Deacon.
- Below left: Danielle Gallo and Matthew Crane - McAuley.
- Below right: Adam Gampe and Codey Panetta - Augustine.









#### Age Champions for 2017

U12 Boys - Thomas Byrne U12 Girls - Brydie Genge

U13 Boys - Neil Prince U13 Girls - Alaina Smith U14 Boys - Callum Zugno U14 Girls - Sara Donovan

U15 Boys - Thomas Jackson U15 Girls - Marina Prince U16 Boys - Jake Priestly U16 Girls - Nadia Falvo

Open Boys - Moses Hannett-Wade Open Girls - Sara Liaver

# 2017 INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

















# 2017 Cairns Show Young Rural Ambassador Awards

# **Presented by BLA & Natural Evolution Foods**

The Young Rural Ambassador Award highlights the importance of youth involvement in the rural industries and in particular the agricultural show movement.

# **An Experience of a Lifetime!**

If you are over 16yrs and under 19yrs as at the 1st May 2017, male or female why not nominate? This event will be hosted by the Cairns Show Association and Next Gen (North).

This competition could provide a stepping stone to the prestigious QCAS Rural Ambassador competition.

The 2017 winner will be invited to attend Cairns Show functions and involve themselves within the rural competitions during the Show. They will also receive \$200 prize money a monogrammed shirt; a Cairns Show Membership and Commemorative Trophy. Runner up will receive \$50 prize money.

# Why not Nominate?

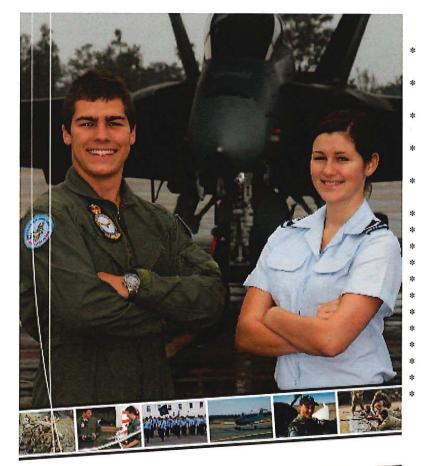
Entries will be based on a written application and short video presentation and may need to attend a formal interview.

Further details including competition nomination forms will be available in due course on the Cairns Show website.

Conditions apply. Entry is free. Please contact: Ian Moller-Nielsen on 0467 006 100 Email: secretary@cairns-show.com

www.cairnsshow.com.au

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS Cadets - Air Force's future



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**106 SQUADRON (TABLELANDS)** 

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Youths 13 - 17 yrs

Phone us to register your interest or attend one of our information sessions.

# Phone 0437774536 for details.

Unit facility located at 2A Abbott Street, Mareeba

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- International Exchange Trips.
- Powered and Glider Flying.
- **Firearm Safety**
- Training.
- Courses at Defence Bases.
  - **Competitions at**
- National Events.
- **Rifle Shooting.**
- **Radio Communications**
- Fieldcraft.
- Drill & Ceremonial.
- Navigation Training.
- Survival Training.
- Model Rocketry.
- Team Building.
- Abseilling. High Ropes.
- Canoeing.
- Air Shows.

#### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Educational Qualifications.
- \* Great experiences.
- Leadership Training.
- **Confidence Building.**
- Public Speaking.
- Instructional Training.
- Mateship/Friendship.
- Self-discipline.





SAFETY ALERT

17 February 2017

#### Public safety incident - Jack Taylor Weir

A serious incident occurred this week involving a group of children illegally swimming in front of the release gates downstream of Jack Taylor Weir, near St George.

It was reported to SunWater that two young adults went to the rescue of a child who became caught in the backwash water of the dissipater. Although successfully rescuing the child from the water, the two young adults were unable to escape the backwash, resulting in both persons being pinned under the water and becoming unconscious.

The two persons were revived on the scene and transported by ambulance to hospital. SunWater staff assisted police to temporarily stop the water release to enable emergency services to determine if anyone else was trapped in the dissipater.

This frightening incident is a sobering reminder of the dangerous and unpredictable nature of weirs and dams. SunWater installs signage and fencing to warn people of the dangers of trespassing, however the community must remain vigilant and aware of the serious risks in and around waterways.

We encourage people to enjoy our facilities by keeping a safe distance of at least 200m from dam and weir walls, always read the signs and look out for submerged hazards and risks.

Anyone who witnesses life-threatening behaviour at SunWater weirs, dams or channels is urged to report it to the local Police by calling 000. For all non-urgent reporting, call Police link 13 14 44.

For tips on keeping safe when visiting a dam or weir, download the '<u>Safety tips when visiting a dam</u>' brochure available on the SunWater website.



### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Queensland parents and carers can now get free parenting support through the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program. This initiative is funded by the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services.

Depending on where they live and what practitioners are offering in their area (new sessions are added all the time), parents and carers can attend free individual or group parenting support sessions in-person or sign up for Triple P online. Families also have the option of a self-help workbook if Internet access is a problem.

Triple P is an evidence-based parenting program developed by Professor Matt Sanders at The University of Queensland more than 30 years ago. Professor Sanders is also Director of UQ's Parenting and Family Support Centre and continues to lead Triple P's extensive and ongoing global research program.

Triple P is proven to encourage positive behaviour in children and significantly improve parent wellbeing, which is why we're offering all parents and carers the opportunity to access evidence-based support if and when they need it.

If you have any questions I encourage you to visit www.triplep-parenting.net for more information.



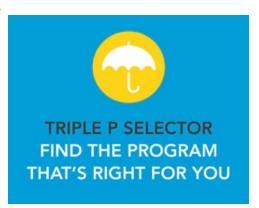
#### TRIPLE P – POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM WHAT IS TRIPLE P?

Triple P is an internationally-acclaimed parenting program which is offered free to all Queensland parents and carers of children up to 16 years of age. Triple P is considered one of the world's best because it has been scientifically shown to work and because it's already helped more than four million children and their families in 25 countries. The Queensland Government is now offering Triple P free as part of its commitment to supporting families across the state.

#### WHAT DOES TRIPLE P DO?

Triple P helps you:

- Raise happy, confident kids
- Manage misbehaviour so everyone in the family enjoys life more
- Set rules and routines that everyone respects and follows
- Encourage behaviour you like
- Take care of yourself as a parent
- Feel confident you're doing the right thing



# ST STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE ENROL NOW FOR 2018

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

Scholarship applications for academic, sporting, and cultural for Year 7 in 2018 are now available.

Application forms are available on the college website or from the college office.

Closing date: 31 March 2017



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