

St Stephen's  
Catholic College



Trust in the Lord

# St Stephen's News

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## St Stephen's Day Celebrations



On 21 September, the college community gathered to celebrate the feast day of our patron, St Stephen. Students are to be congratulated for the reverence they demonstrated during the opening mass, the enthusiasm and talent evident during the cultural performances, the generosity and entrepreneurship at the mini-fete and the goodwill during the legendary staff versus year twelve netball game.

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# NOTICES

## UPCOMING EVENTS:



Thursday 18 October  
Year 11 Geography Excursion

Friday 19 October  
Arts Exhibition

Monday 22 October  
Student Free Day

Wednesday 24 October  
Year 10 Geography Excursion

Tuesday 30 October  
Awards Night

Friday 2 November  
Year 7 Geography Excursion

Tuesday 6 November to Friday 9 November  
Year 12 Block Exams

Friday 9 November  
Year 9 Community Day

Tuesday 13 November  
Year 11 Science in Practice - Boating Licence  
P & F Meeting

Friday 16 November  
Year 12 Graduation

Monday 26 November to Friday 30 November  
Block Exams

Thursday 29 November  
Year 7 Headstart Reflection Workshop

Friday 30 November  
End of Year Mass

## TERM DATES 2018

Term 4 : 8 October to 30 November  
Year 12 - 16 November

### *Student Free Days 2018*

Monday 22 October

## 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.

## ABSENTEE EMAIL

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

## Maths Tutoring Available

### Tuesday and Thursday

Recess 2 - MCR

(all students welcome)

### Wednesday

3.00 pm - 4.00 pm - Library

Years 10 -12 only



## CHESS CLUB

with Mr Harnischfeger (Mr H)

Room: S5 - Every day during Recess 2.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



## Change of Details

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 telephone: 4086 2500. This also applies to any other contact details.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends of St Stephen's

**“An individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity.”**

Martin Luther King, Jr.



A sense of community and service to others are an integral part of the St Stephen's culture and a legacy from the foundation days of the college. In the events that students have experienced or are about to experience, none would have been possible without the dedicated band of educators and parents that comprise the St Stephen's community.

Never was community spirit more evident than on St Stephen's Day which was celebrated on the last day of term three. Students demonstrated reverence for the mass, enthusiasm and talent for the cultural performances, entrepreneurship at the mini-fete and great sportsmanship at the legendary teachers versus year twelve netball game. Those who attended had an amazing day and I extend my gratitude to the staff and students for their positive engagement and hard work.

Despite a challenging term, twenty-four students and four teachers turned up the very next day to travel to New Zealand for ten days. Not only did everyone have an enjoyable time, but positive relationships were fostered and our students were complimented on their conduct and responsible citizenship, whilst overseas.

On a more academic note, the year seven Opti-MINDS team travelled to Brisbane for the state titles, where students' exceptional performance resulted in the team winning the Literature and Language category. The year seven and eight Mathematics Quiz team members are also honing their skills for the state competition, as is the chess team, while their sporting counterparts in the futsal team are also gearing up for the state titles.

It would be remiss not to mention the year twelve formal—an event for which students had been preparing for many months and at which all had an amazing time, dancing and socialising with their peers and families.

All of the above-mentioned events would not be possible without the dedication of our community of teachers, students and parents working together. While many of these events are extra-curricular, it is important to remember that the core business of any school is teaching and learning. Our year twelve students, in particular, have only four and half weeks to graduation. They need to focus on the end goal and maintain their motivation up until the very end. Attendance is compulsory until Friday 16 November when students graduate at a special evening mass, after being farewelled by the college community at a whole school assembly during the day.

For the remainder of the college, attendance is also a requirement until 3.00 pm on Friday 30 November. All students will undergo testing until 3.00 pm on this day. Failure to be in attendance will seriously jeopardise a student's final report and may also influence class allocations for 2019. The only day on which students are legitimately permitted to remain at home is Monday 22 October when our teachers are involved in the moderation of year twelve work and other professional development. I sincerely thank parents for making alternative arrangements on this day.



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As a community, celebration of student success is a great occasion. The annual Awards Night on Tuesday 30 October is one such event. Information about this evening will be communicated to all families in the next few days and I thank families who are able to join us on this evening.

Schools are counter cultural and emphasise the importance of considering the group's welfare. If we can develop in our students the need to go beyond one's individual wants to embrace the concerns of all humanity, we are closer to achieving a society that is more equitable, that has a responsible stewardship of the environment and a more humane attitude to the plight of those who are marginalised.

With Trust in the Lord

Mrs Ida Pinese | Principal  
[principal@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:principal@sscc.qld.edu.au)

## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

It is amazing how fast a year goes and we are now just a few weeks away from seeing our year twelve students graduate from the college. As term four is just eight weeks, it is important that students attend to their study plans and prepare accordingly for upcoming assessment. Increasingly, we are experiencing issues with late submissions of drafts and final pieces due to students not knowing due dates or not being prepared for their submissions. Assessment calendars are produced by the end of week two for every term. These documents are published on the school's website and a hard copy given to all students. These documents are produced in a way that is clear and can be utilised as a study planner. There should be no excuses for students to miss assessment deadlines for not knowing a due date. At all times, it is the student's responsibility to adhere to the conditions of the task and submission guidelines.



This term will also see a number of assessment related events occurring. Year twelve students will sit their final set of block exams, beginning on Tuesday 6 November and running until Friday 9 November. A letter will be sent home along with the schedule for the exams in the coming weeks. This will lead into the final week for the year twelves, which will be a very exciting time for them. Year eleven students will have block exams commencing on the Monday 26 November running until Friday 30 November. Again students will be notified of the schedule over the coming weeks.

The 2019 timetable is starting to take shape and students in years eight, nine and ten will be notified later this term on what preferences they have for 2019. Due to the amount of interest and also operational requirements of the school, not all subjects that were offered will be operating for 2019. Students who need to make other choices will be notified and will have a meeting with myself to discuss options for subjects next year. Although this can often be hard for students, particularly as some subjects may be a passion for them, it is important to note that their subsequent choices could be a potential pathway for the future.

I wish all students a fantastic term four and great success in their studies as we close in on Christmas holidays. As usual if you have any curriculum related questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Rantucci to organise a meeting time.

**Mr Simon Vaughan | Deputy Principal**  
[svaughan@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:svaughan@sscc.qld.edu.au)

## FROM THE MIDDLE LEADER - SOCIAL SCIENCE

The Social Science Department will continue to provide opportunities for our students throughout term four. Though a shorter term and one that is always busy, we are still seeking experiences to make the learning interesting and informed by aspects of the community in which we live.

Year eleven Geography students will take to the field this week to test the health of the Basalt Creek sub-catchment. The creek, which runs from near Costin Street through the Bicentennial Lakes Park to Granite Creek, will be assessed for its stream and habitat condition, biological health and physio-chemical indicators. Students are using the data they collected to write a report. It will be an important investigation into the connections of people and place in an appropriately scaled context. It is hardly an exotic experience, but it is always one that helps students appreciate the community and environment they are a part of.

Two officers from the Queensland Parliamentary Education Team will visit our year ten Humanities students on the 24 October, to deliver regional education activities. The experience will provide insight into the role of Parliament and serve as an introductory activity for year ten students who may be enrolled for year eleven Legal Studies next year.

**Mr Dwayne Miller**

**Middle Leader - Social Science**

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### **Student Free Day**

Monday 22 October 2018

#### **P & F Meeting**

Tuesday 13 November 2018

#### **Year 9 Students**

Please return the paperwork for the 2019 one to one device as soon as possible.

#### **Jumpers - Term 4**

Please note that whilst your son/daughter may wear a jumper to school, given the increase in temperature, we advise strongly that jumpers are not to be worn throughout the day, in term four.

### 2019 TERM DATES

#### **Term 1**

Tuesday 29 January to Friday 5 April

#### **Term 2**

Tuesday 23 April to Friday 28 June

#### **Term 3**

Monday 15 July to Friday 20 September

#### **Term 4**

Tuesday 8 October to Friday 29 November  
(Year 12 Finish: Friday 15 November)

#### **Public Holidays / Student Free Days**

Monday 28 January - Australia Day

Friday 19 April - Good Friday

Monday 22 April - Easter Monday

Thursday 25 April - ANZAC Day

Monday 6 May - Labour Day

Friday 19 July - Cairns Show

Monday 7 October - Queen's Birthday

**Friday 26 April - Student Free Day**

**Monday 21 October - Student Free Day**

# ST STEPHEN'S DAY



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# YEAR 12 RECREATION - HIKE CAMP AND JIU JITSU TRAINING





## GIRLS T20 CRICKET



Back row with Mr Paul McLennan (from left to right): Imogen Devine, Sage Stevens, Tylee Madrid, Summer Hartwig, Erin Cauchi, Puneet Mally, Alannah Falvo, Leah MacCallum, Abby Taylor and Lindsay McDonald.  
Front row: Faith Power, Holly Prien, Madison Stansby, Kiyah Iactuone, Brydie Genge and Sarah Broad.

## 2018 HOUSE SPIRIT AWARD

The House Spirit Award was awarded to the Pastoral House which best demonstrated house spirit over the year in sporting and cultural events.

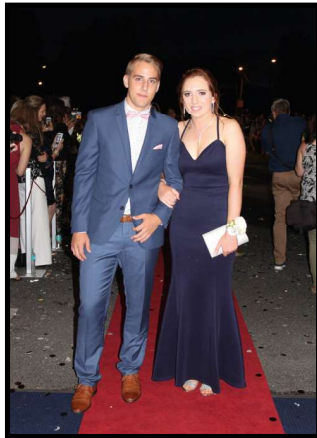
In 2018, Muluridji received the award for excellent participation, creativity and teamwork shown at the Swimming Carnival and in their dance routine in the St Stephen's Day Talent Quest.

Pictured with the trophy are the Pastoral House Leaders, Zoe Quintieri and Ella Ryan.

Congratulations Muluridji!



# YEAR 12 FORMAL



Milan Bagic and Justin Cazzola / Liam Baksaj and Taylah Wells / Thomas Hallam and Mackenzie Elms / Travis Cummings.



Dayna Scapin and Annalisse Troncone / Lane Hanush and Brianna Serafin / Lachlan Greenwood and Jett Stankovich  
Sharlene Huiskes and Joshua Kievit.

# YEAR 12 FORMAL



Lillian Legge and Dylan Cappella / Sam Daniell, Mackenzie Elms and Aaron De Marzi.



Kaja McKeegan and Alexander Snell / Lauren Davis and Jack Zugno.



Alexis Daven and Dylan Longbottom / Lia Schincariol and Daniel Prien.



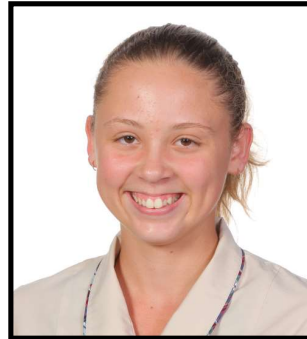
## STUDENT SUCCESS

Sophie and Emma Raciti recently attended the 2018 Athletics North Queensland Championships, which were held in Townsville and this carnival attracts approximately 600 athletes from across Australia.

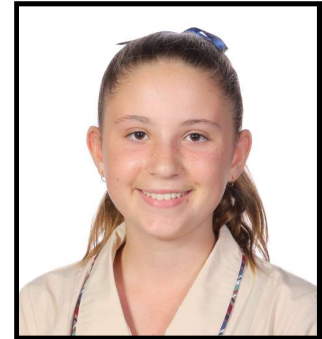
Sophie placed in all her throw events, qualifying her to represent Queensland at the Australian Junior Athletics Championships and the Open Australian Athletics Championships, both to be held in Sydney in April 2019. Sophie also was awarded the John Gaviglio Memorial Throws Trophy for the most outstanding thrower of the carnival. During the championships Sophie was lucky enough to compete against athletes representing Australia at the Invictus Games.

Emma also competed successfully and has qualified to represent Queensland at the Australian Junior Athletics Championships in all throw events.

Congratulations Sophie and Emma!



Sophie Raciti - Year 10



Emma Raciti - Year 7

## STUDENT SUCCESS

Isabelle Jennings and Amyrosa Enderlin led St Stephen's Catholic College to victory at the Atherton Pony Club Inter school Horse Sports Competition on Sunday 14 October. St Stephen's placed first in the high school section in front of seem other high schools. Isabelle came first and Amy came second in aggregate points in their age group.

Great work Isabelle and Amyrosa!



## STUDENT SUCCESS



Dayna Pearce recently attended the State Gymnastics Championships in Brisbane and came eleventh overall for level four.

She is also the state vault champion as she came first and also came fifth in the state for balance beam.

Well Done Dayna!



## STUDENT SUCCESS



Sam Dryden recently participated in the Defence Work Experience Program. Sam is pictured receiving his certificate.

The Department of Defence wrote:

***"Well done Sam, a great effort during your participation in the Defence Work Experience Program."***

***"Good luck on your future endeavours and hopefully we'll see you in the green one day".***

What a great achievement Sam!



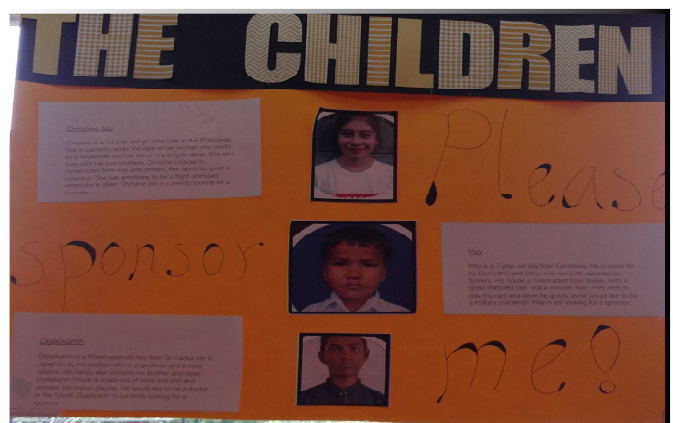
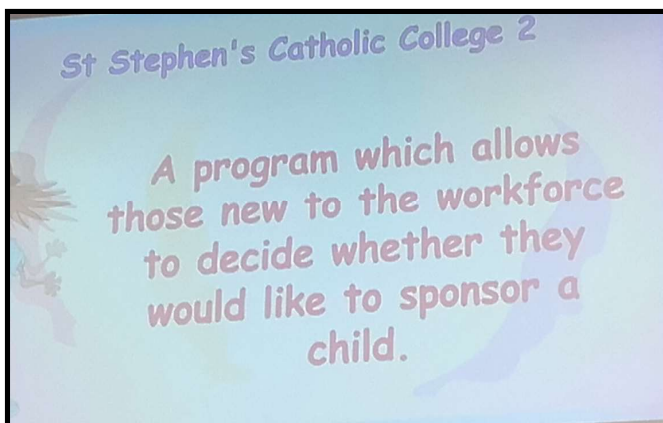
**Australian Government**  
**Department of Defence**

# OPTI-MINDS CHALLENGE

Last weekend four of our students represented the Cairns Region at the Opti-MINDS State Finals in Brisbane. It was a wonderful weekend designed to challenge the students' creativity. Our team competed against the twelve other regional Opti-MINDS representative teams. On Saturday, each team presented an idea which they believed will change the future. On Sunday, the students solved a spontaneous challenge and a long term challenge. Our team were amazingly creative and came first for their division in the Language Literature category in Queensland. Congratulations to Abigail Garate, Mia McNeill, Amelia Morris and Lucy Perrett.



From left to right: Amelia Morris, Lucy Perrett, Mia McNeill and Abigail Garate, with Mrs Samantha Schermer.



## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Part of our very active music program at St Stephen's Catholic College is the Instrumental Music Department. Instrumental music is an enrichment opportunity at St Stephen's which allows students to learn a musical instrument with a specialist instrumental teacher. Specialist lessons include band instruments (clarinet, flute, saxophone, trumpet, trombone), percussion (including drum set), guitar and piano. New to 2019 will be an expanded strings program which will include lessons in violin, viola, cello and double bass. Students who take instrumental music lessons access these during school time once a week. Lessons are individual or in small groups.

Students who engage in the instrumental music program at St Stephen's have many opportunities to expand their cultural and social/emotional learning, as they participate in combined ensembles and performances. Notably, our instrumental program includes a combined St Stephen's and St Thomas's band, which perform regularly at many school and community events.

Learning an instrument is an extremely beneficial experience for students. Not only does it positively affect brain function and develop skills such as concentration and fine motor movement, but music also has the power to positively impact students' emotional learning. Skills such as resilience, perseverance and commitment are enriched, and students can often find music practice a helpful stress release mechanism. Students can also engage with other like-minded peers through group ensemble participation, and this can help their social/emotional growth.

St Stephen's Catholic College Instrumental Music Department is now taking enrolments for 2019. We encourage parents to review the attached information about the program and consider enrolling their child for the new school year. No prior musical experience is required as the program is tailored to each student. We encourage students seeking more information to contact the music team at St Stephen's - Mrs Raggett, Ms Kitchiner, Miss Sugars or Mrs Livingstone.

Looking forward to seeing lots of new and familiar faces in 2019!

St Stephen's Music Department



# INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM



## ST STEPHENS CATHOLIC COLLEGE MAREEBA

### 2019 INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

#### Aims:

Instrumental music lessons are an elective offered to students wishing to develop instrumental skills. The program offers tuition on stringed instruments, keyboard, woodwind, brass and percussion.

#### Lessons:

Students attend lessons either individually or in a small group during the school day. The lesson times may be rotational or constant at the principal's discretion. Lessons are delivered by either private tutors or staff employed with Catholic Education Services. Expressions of Interest are taken where waiting lists exist.

#### Accounts:

Invoices will be sent out in advance with Term Fees. The instrumental music tuition fee is \$150 per term per student. In order to accommodate for public holidays, school carnivals or curriculum activities eight (8) half hour lessons will be allocated to the student each term. Music books will be purchased on behalf of a student and billed as they are issued.

The following are included as billable lessons:

- Student receives lesson as per normal
- Student forgets lesson time or instrument which results in student missing lesson
- Student is absent from school (excludes prolonged absence from school where the teacher is informed that the student will be away)

#### Withdrawal from the Program:

Students enroll for the school year, but may withdraw at the end of a term. Three weeks' notice to withdraw from lessons must be given in writing prior to the beginning of the next term.

#### Instruments/Hire Agreement:

Instrument	Hire Cost per term	Instrument	Hire Cost per term
B flat Clarinet	\$75	Trombone	\$75
Flute	\$75	Violin Full Size	\$60
Viola Full Size	\$60	Cello Full Size	\$95
Double Bass	\$95	Tenor Saxophone	\$95
Alto Saxophone	\$95	Percussion Sets	\$70
B flat Trumpet	\$75	Xylophone Sets	\$75
Bass Clarinet	\$95	Piano	
Guitar		Drums	

Hire costs may be subject to an increase at the beginning of each year. Instruments must be returned before the end of the school year. Parents are required to pay for any instrument damage resulting from neglect.

**Combined Schools Band:** Once a level of skill has been achieved, students may be invited to perform with the St Stephen's and St Thomas' Combined Schools' Band to develop their skills and experience public performance. String students will also have the opportunity to attend string orchestra rehearsals.

#### Contacts:

**Mrs Nina Raggett:** [nraggett@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:nraggett@sscc.qld.edu.au) or leave a message on 4092 2954 - teaching each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00am – 3:00pm - in Piano/ Clarinet/Flute/Saxophone/Trumpet/Trombone

**Mrs Rosi Livingstone:** [rlivingsto@sscc.qld.edu.au](mailto:rlivingsto@sscc.qld.edu.au) - teaching violin, viola, cello and double bass

**Mr Jonathon Barbargallo** - [jonathonbarbargallo@gmail.com](mailto:jonathonbarbargallo@gmail.com) - 0435 371 889 - tutoring in Drums/Percussion & Xylophone each Wednesday

**Mr Ian Lewerissa** - [ianlewerissa@yahoo.com](mailto:ianlewerissa@yahoo.com) - 0403188359 - tutoring in Acoustic/Electric & Bass Guitar each Wednesday



## 2019 INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

### Agreement Advice / Enrolment Information / Expression of Interest

I give permission for my child to attend instrumental music lessons during school time.

My child would like to learn the ..... (1<sup>st</sup> Choice)

Instrument Hire Required? Yes/No Beginner  Currently Playing  No. of Years .....  
..... (2<sup>nd</sup> Choice)

Instrument Hire Required? Yes/No Beginner  Currently Playing  No. of Years .....

#### STUDENT DETAILS:

Surname: .....

Given Names: .....

Gender: Male/Female Date of Birth: .....

Year level: ..... Class: .....

#### BILLING DETAILS:

Parent name: .....

Parent Email: .....

Residential Street Address: .....

Suburb: ..... Postcode: .....

Postal Address: .....

Mobile Phone No: ..... Home phone number: .....

I acknowledge that a hired instrument remains the property of St Stephens Catholic College and is issued on loan to the student subject to the following conditions: Please ✓

- The instrument is to be used by the student to whom it is issued and by no other person
- Every care and attention must be given to the instrument during the period of the loan
- The instrument is returnable on demand at any time for inspection, repair, adjustment or for any other reason
- Loss or damage of any instrument on loan must be immediately reported to the school
- If, in the opinion of the music teacher, a student is not carrying out reasonable practice or shows little ability with the instrument, the loan may be terminated
- If the student does not observe the instrumental music program agreement on attendance of scheduled lessons, the loan may be terminated
- The instrument must be returned to the school by the last Monday of any given term if the student is not requiring the loan for the following term. Transfer students must return the instrument before leaving school
- Please copy this form for your personal records and return the signed original to the school

#### Description of Instrument (Office Use Only):

Type: ..... Brand: .....

Serial number: .....

Accessories: .....

Issued by: ..... Date: .....

By signing this form you are agreeing to the terms and conditions. If you have any questions regarding this agreement please contact the school.

Sign here

..... SIGNATURE ..... DATE: .....

## ARTS EXHIBITION



**2019 Arts Exhibition**

**Friday 19 October**  
**4:30 pm to 6.30 pm**

*Music, Drama & Arts*

*Free Entry*  
*St Stephen's Catholic College*

*Artist: Lilly Maher*

## AWARDS NIGHT

**St Stephen's Catholic College**  
proudly presents our annual

*Awards  
Night*

Tuesday 30 October 2018  
Arrive: 6.45 pm for 7.00 pm  
Mareeba International Club

Sunday October 21st  
3:30 pm - 7:30 pm

# DIOCESAN YEAR OF YOUTH CELEBRATION

Outdoor Fun  
Youth Mass  
BBQ Dinner



SEVILLE CONFERENCE CENTRE  
35 BAUHINIA AVE, EARLVILLE

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