Dear Parents,

The end of the year is rapidly approaching. Next week, we will celebrate the achievements of our students in 2010. This occasion is always enjoyable and it is the beginning of our formal farewells to the Year 12 students. We expect that all students in Years 5, 8 and 12 will attend the Prize Night. This year, we have the added incentive of our evaporative air cooling system in operation.

Last Tuesday evening, the P&F Association held their annual AGM. I would like to thank Corina Troy as President, Tony Battams as Vice President, Ruth Baker as Treasurer and Claudine Ferguson as Secretary for their dedicated executive work throughout the year. Also, thanks to the committee for their very valuable assistance. There has been a changing of the guard in some positions for 2011. I am very pleased to announce the following positions.

**President**  
John Titmarsh  

**Vice President**  
Corina Troy  

**Treasurer**  
Ruth Baker  

**Secretary**  
Karen Caughey  

**Committee**

Lindsay Hawthorne  
Marion Fuller  
Bridgette Cavanagh  
Michelle Bowden  
Anne-Marie Bostock  
John Hughes  
Lyn Vickers (Pastoral Care)

We welcome these people to their roles and wish them well for 2011.

The final fortnight is upon us. I would ask all parents to assist us in maintaining a diligent routine for their sons as they approach their final assessments. It is important the boys finish off with their best efforts.
FROM THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Year 12 Celebration Day

As the year draws to a close I’d like to take this opportunity (which I am sure will be the first of many) to thank the Year 12’s for the courtesy and respect they showed last Friday. The notion that the last day of classes for the Year 12 students is a ‘muck up day,’ is not a notion that Padua College has ever acknowledged or condoned.

Mindful of this fact and appreciative of their time at the College, two Year 12 students, Josh Ainslie and Shaun Murray, set about coordinating a celebration day. During their final lunch time, the boys in Year 12 enjoyed games of dodge ball against the teachers, a pizza lunch, a DJ playing in La Cordelle and ‘Dunk The Teacher Tank’ at the grandstand. All in all the lunch time was a great celebration and a huge success. It was a testament to the commitment and respect the seniors have shown to the College in 2010.

Final Weeks of School

As the remainder of the College approaches exam block, I would like to remind all students and parents that classes will continue until the last day of the term. It is a requirement that all students continue to meet the expectations of the College, particularly in relation to behaviour, uniform and grooming. No exceptions will be made for failure to meet these standards.

School Arrival

Students and parents are reminded that the normal school day begins at 8:25 am and concludes at 3:10 pm. Attendance rolls are marked at 8:30 am and 3:05 pm. Students are asked to be present and prepared prior to the 8:25 am bell. Any student arriving after 8:30 am should bring a note from their parents explaining the reason for their lateness. In this circumstance, students also need to sign in at the College Bookhire.

Stop Bullying Email Address - stopbullying@padua.qld.edu.au

As discussed in previous Bulletins, our confidential College email address, stopbullying@padua.qld.edu.au is up and running. If you have bullying concerns or would like advice on a bullying issue, please feel free to email this address at any time. Please note, that while all email will be treated with the strictest of confidence, only emails with a contact signature / details will be answered.

Year 12 Exams

Finally, on behalf of the Pastoral Care Team, I’d like to wish all of the Year 12’s the best of luck for their upcoming exams. I hope your results truly reflect your effort in 2010 and you enjoy your final weeks at Padua College.

Ben Lowrie
The Eagles have landed at Padua College!

This term Padua College launched the PC Eagles. The PC Eagles are a group of Year 11 boys who, with the help of Ms Dwyer (Student Counsellor) have joined together to help their fellow students. Whether it is to lend some advice, offer some guidance, listen or show some empathy to a fellow student, the PC Eagles are here to help.

The PC Eagles program was launched this term in each house assembly. The boys made a DVD to advertise their role and posters with their faces on it have been put up around the school. The buddy program allows students to seek advice from other students and learn from their experiences. For some boys, talking to another student can be easier than speaking with an adult, and can assist in forming stronger peer relationships.

The PC Eagles are supported by the Student Counsellor. After each interaction, each PC Eagle must debrief with Ms Dwyer and meet with her each month to develop different skills to best support their peers.

The PC Eagles have started to show their presence around the school. Last week, a number of the boys visited each Year 7 class as part of the Set for High School program facilitated by Gwenda Logan and Sally Dwyer. The PC Eagles spoke about what to expect when the boys start in the secondary school next year, and where to turn to for help. It was a fun day, with our mascot, Ernie the Eagle playing games with the boys and the PC Eagles shared with the boys some of their own fears and worries about when they started secondary school. The PC Eagles were commended on how well they represented the secondary school and were awarded special recognition in their house assemblies.
Watch out for more news on the PC Eagles. The Eagles have now taken flight!

The PC Eagles are:

- Zach Conway
- Bart Ritchie
- Luke Richmond
- Jack O’Toole
- Jordan Roberts
- Ben Quetcher
- Tom Buckby
- Giann Redmond
- Shane Lawson

- Ashley Jacoby
- Saagar Chandra
- David Corbenici
- Tom Davidson
- Jamie Hanlon
- Connor Brown
- Izaak Davis
- Pat Costello
- Ben Buckley
- Jake Salamone
- Michael Lewis
FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Recently I saw “The Social Network”, a film about Facebook and its founder Mark Zuckerberg. Entertaining, thought provoking, and a little disturbing. With a film about Facebook you would imagine it was about making friends, ironically it turns out to be about losing friends. Here we have Mark, the genius at one of the United States’ elite and most prestigious universities, Harvard, left heart broken when his girl friend dumps him – and who could blame her!

His response was not to talk it out with friends, giving his mum a call, jog himself into exhaustion, or driving around listening to sad music in his car. No, he goes back to his comfort zone which is 35 centimetres from his computer screen- starts drinking, and then hacking into the online university student directory, and in this revenge stunt crashing the Harvard computer system and humiliating its female population.

The power of the story and its intensity is so Shakespearean - about friendship, loyalty, betrayal, denial, power, jealousy, money and class. What a combination!

I am confident that any young Paduan who was in difficulty could find assistance, help, and care, not from some screen, but from REAL people - from his parents, teachers he has come to know, and others in a pastoral care capacity at Padua. For there is constant research that strongly suggests that teachers provide a rare constant in student’s lives, and that individual teachers contribute more significantly to changes in student achievement than any other factors. (cf. “The Nature of Pedagogic Teacher-student Interactions: A Phenomenographic Study”, by Denise Beutel, Faculty Q.U.T.)

Fr John
FROM THE VICE RECTOR – FORMATION

Vale Year 12
Next week the College celebrates the achievements of another graduating class the Class of 2010. This is an important and yet exciting time for parents, staff and students. Next Wednesday night we laud all those students who have demonstrated their talents in the classroom, on the sporting field and in the numerous other ways the College offers for students to showcase their abilities. On Thursday morning we farewell our Graduating Class as a school body. This gives a chance of thanking the graduands as a group and wishing them well for their respective futures. Friday night brings our graduation festivities to a climax with the Graduation Mass and Dinner. This is a more ‘intimate’ affair (if you call 500+ guests ‘intimate’!) where we are able to share both a spiritual and catered meal together in a spirit of achievement and thanksgiving. It is a wonderful time to be part of this college community. Goodbye, Good luck and Farewell to the Senior Class of 2010. Thank you for your leadership, friendship and presence this year.

Pilgrimage 2012
After the last Bulletin I received six requests (all from Year 9 students) to be put onto a Contact List for the next Franciscan Pilgrimage to Italy in 2012. This is a great start to our preparations for the next trip! Being placed on this list places you and your family under no obligation to be part of the final group. An initial Information Night will be held early in 2011. The total cost of this year’s pilgrimage was $4700. This amount covered return airfares, transfers, all transport within Italy, accommodation, breakfasts daily, most dinners and entry to a number of ancient sites. If you are interested give me (Mr O’Brien) a call on 38579986 to discuss the matter further.

Wanted – Secondary Flag Boy
For the last few years Lincoln Dell (Yr 12) has performed a quiet, but important service for the College in the raising of the College flags every morning and afternoon. I thank him for his diligence and faithfulness to this task. Lincoln graduates this year and we now have a vacancy for this position. If your son is interested get him to contact me at school and we can discuss the matter further.

Michael O’Brien
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St Francis of Assisi

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BULLYING AT PADUA
stopbullying@padua.qld.edu.au

ONLY EMAILS WITH NAME ATTACHED WILL BE ANSWERED
ALL EMAILS WILL BE ENTIRELY CONFIDENTIAL
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BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION
All parents please be aware that students on school property are supervised in both the Primary & Secondary from 8.00am only

ABSENTEE/SPORTING FIXTURE PHONE NUMBER

When advising of absences from school PLEASE phone the absentee line 3857 9900 & leave a message. This number is also to be used for info on school activities and sporting fixtures.

If weather is uncertain, by ringing this number after 7.30am on Saturday morning. You will be advised if sporting fixtures will be on or not. Also check the College Website.

Please collect a fridge magnet from the office if your family does not have one.

FROM THE VICE RECTOR ADMINISTRATION

Year 8-11 Exams

All students have now been given a copy of their end of year exam timetables. Copies have also been placed under Sharepoint Curriculum/Exam Timetables and the College website.

The Lost Property Room will be open before school and during school hours until the end of term.
Parents are welcome!
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FROM OUR CAREERS ADVISOR

QBUILD
Visit the QBuild website to complete and submit your online application to become a QBuild apprentice. But be quick, as applications are only open for a few more days.

To learn more about QBuild and its apprenticeship program, visit www.qbuild.qld.gov.au.

SUNSHINE COAST COUNCIL TRAINEESHIPS
There are a large number of traineeships available in the Sunshine Coast council.


CAREERS WEBSITE
Career FAQs is a comprehensive career website that offers resources that give a comprehensive overview of different industries, professions and occupations www.careerfaqs.com.au

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

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<td>Saturday 18 December 2010</td>
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<td>Due date to apply or submit documentation for 13 January offer round</td>
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QUT Real Decisions

Tuesday 21 December 2010 10 am – 2 pm

QUT Real Decisions provides an opportunity for Year 12 students to talk face-to-face with faculty and admissions staff about study choices after they know their OP.

http://www.qut.edu.au/study/futurestudents/events/realdecisions.jsp

UQ OPTIONS EVENING 2010

Monday 20 December, 4.30pm–7.00pm, UQ Centre, St Lucia.

The UQ Options Evening provides an opportunity for Year 12 students to talk to staff and students about the best options for studying at UQ.

If you would like more information, please contact UQ Admissions on AdmissionsEnquiries@uq.edu.au or phone 07 3365 2203.


QTAC PREFERENCES

By now, all Year 12 students (regardless of whether they are OP or non-OP) interested in applying for a place in a TAFE or University course should have completed their QTAC application. Any student who has not done so but now wishes to do so should contact me as soon as possible.

QUT VICE-CHANCELLOR’S SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS CLOSING SOON

Applications for QUT’s premier scholarship offering for high achievers will close Friday 26 November. More than 200 scholarships valued at between $6,000 and $24,000 are on offer. Go to www.scholarships.qut.edu.au.

SOUTHBANK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMENCING STUDENTS

Director’s Academic Scholarship - Applications are open until 21 January 2011

Equity Scholarships - Applications are open until 21 January 2011
http://www.southbank.edu.au/site/programs/scholarships/EquityTC.asp

General Scholarship information

CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD

Year 12 students who are considering studying at TAFE should apply for a Centrelink Low Income Health Care Card to be eligible for concession rates on fees. Students who are over 16 years old are able to apply, independently of their parents’ income.
The Padua Peloton
lost somewhere amongst the 10000 riders at South Bank

With the sun peeking through the clouds and rising across the Story Bridge early on Sunday morning we finally put rubber to road for the Wilson HTM Brisbane to Gold Coast Bike Challenge.

Along with almost ten thousand other keen cyclists, staff from Padua with some friends, Old Boys as well as some students, headed off for the 100km ride in support of the Heart Foundation and Diabetes Australia.

Thinking he had missed the group at the start Mr Duffy was out in front for the first 40km only to find the group had started 20 mins behind. After that Mr McNamara took the lead and Mr O'Driscoll looked a picture in his Welsh dragon gear while Mr Sitarz worked hard with a “dodgy” bike as he put it. All made it safely to Southport apart from a few cramps and even had enough energy to do another 12kms to Helensvale to relax on the train home.

You can still support the cause simply by going to www.everydayhero.com.au/padua_peloton. Every little bit counts. All donations $2 or more are tax deductible.
Have you ever considered volunteering to help at our Tuckshop? Or maybe you used to and stopped?

Robyn Layton, our new Tuckshop Convenor would love to welcome you to join her and her fabulous band of helpers next year. Please contact Robyn on Ph 3857 9974 or 0430 431 198 if you can help.
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PHOTO GALLERY
Senior Celebration Day

Yr 8 Chinese Inventions
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EVERTON PARK JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

TryRugby is a non contact rugby program, with the emphasis on fun, physical activity and skill development. The TryRugby program is for boys and girls aged 5-9 years.

VENUE: Everton Park Junior Rugby Union

ADDRESS: 95 Hurdcotte St, Enoggera

DATES: Thu&Fri 16-17 Dec 2010 or Thu&Fri 13-14 Jan 2011

TIME: 9.00am-4.00pm

COST: $120 for both days

All participants receive FREE
• TryRugby ball, cap and water bottle
• Lunch, morning and afternoon tea

For further enquiries please call 0437340887 or visit: www.rugby.com.au/tryrugby

TO REGISTER:
Three Easy Ways:
1. Register online at www.rugby.com.au/tryRugby OR
2. Email tryrugby@epjru.com.au OR
3. Register and pay on the first day of the program
COMMUNITY NEWS

St Cecilia’s Parish
Corner Hants Street & College Street, Hamilton
Ph 3268 1842

Mass Times
Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri 9.00am
Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am

All Welcome

CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT MARKET'
A warm invitation is extended to you all to attend the annual Christmas Twilight Markets at Queen of Apostles. The night promises to be a relaxed and fun filled shopping event with over 50 local vendors selling Christmas crafts, art, jewellery, homewares, skincare, toys, IT, hand bags, clothing and many more items.
Where: 10 Thuruna St Stafford
When: 19 November 2010
Time: 6.30pm to 9.30pm.
Admission: $5.00 includes beverage and a lucky door ticket.
Come along and find something special for Christmas while supporting the local vendors. Hot food also on sale at this licensed event. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Kedron Street Festival 2011
Committee Formation Meeting
Time: 7pm.
Date: Tuesday 23/11/10
Location: St. Anthony’s Teachers Common Room

We have some key roles fulfilled to enable the 2011 Street Festival planning to get underway. Any interested parties are welcome at this first meeting. The meeting will get some key early items resolved as well as planning for action in early 2011.
Yours sincerely, Kedron Parish Council.
Invites you to a

Past Students’ Open Day

Come and join us as we renew friendships, reminisce about days gone by and establish a Past Students’ Alumnae

Saturday, 27 November 2010

1.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Mt Alvernia College
Village Green and Delamore Room
(located on the ground floor of C Block)

Activities include:
- afternoon tea
- a guided tour of the school
- viewing of the Delamore Room - our Heritage Centre
- entertainment provided by our current students

RSVP: 12 November 2010

Complete the attached form to provide or update your contact details.
Enquiries can be directed to Kerri Ketelhohn: email: ketek@mta.qld.edu.au
Telephone: 3357 6000 or Fax: 3857 2231