Dear Parents

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all of two important community events that are run in support of the College. This year’s Artscape will be held at the Kedron Parish Hall October 20 -21. Tickets for the Gala Opening Night, Saturday 20 October are available from the College Office. The annual Padua College Race Day will be held at Eagle Farm Race Course on Saturday November 3 2012. Limited tickets remain and can be purchased by ringing Mrs Sharyn Biddle on 3857 9907. Unfortunately, we have lost some of our traditional race day sponsors. If you or your business are able to sponsor a race, please contact Mr Matt Hardy on mhardy@padua.qld.edu.au as soon as possible and ask about the great sponsorship packages that are still available for three of our races. Flyers related to both of these community events can be found in this Bulletin.

Padua has two groups of students travelling overseas during the September holidays. Mrs Gauld and Ms Asimus will be leading an Ancient History Cultural Tour of Italy and Greece and Mr O’Brien, Brother Matt, Fr John and Ms Mantini will be joining a number of our students on the Franciscan Pilgrimage. Both groups of students and teachers have worked very hard organizing and fundraising for their tours. Well done and have a great time.

“Where there is love and wisdom there is neither fear nor ignorance”
St Francis of Assisi
From the Rector

Next term we welcome back Mr Out from his Sabbatical and travel leave. From all reports he has enjoyed his study and will come back refreshed after some travel through Europe. As this will be my last Bulletin filling in for Mr Out as Acting Rector, I would like to thank the entire school community for the support I have received in this acting position. It has been a challenging but also a very enjoyable experience. I would also like thank Mr Maguire (Acting Vice Rector Administration) and Mr Raadschelders (Acting Sports-master) for the excellent jobs they have done in new positions this term.

On behalf of the College, I would like to wish a safe and happy holiday to all Padua families. We all look forward to a great finish to the year in Term 4.

Thanks

Simon Stower
Acting Rector
Cardinal Carlo Maria Martini died late last month. Two weeks before his death he gave his final interview in what was his “spiritual testament” to be published after his death. I lament the death of this Vatican II prophet, and below I have selected quotes from that interview:

“the bureaucratic apparatus of the Church grows, our rites and our dress are pompous..... the Church must recognise its errors and follow a radical path of change, beginning with the Pope and the Bishops.... We have to ask ourselves if people still listen to the advice of the Church on sexual matters. Is the Church still an authoritative reference in this field, or simply a caricature in the media?...

A woman, for instance, is abandoned by her husband and finds a new companion, who takes care of her and her three children. This second love succeeds. If this family is discriminated against, not only is the mother cut off (from the Church) but also her children....

The question of whether the divorced can receive communion ought to be turned around. How can the Church reach people who have complicated family situations, bringing them help with the power of the sacraments?

Who are sacraments for?... the sacraments are not an instrument of discipline, but a help for people on their journey, and in the weaknesses of their life.

The Church is 200 years behind the times. Why doesn’t it stir? Are we afraid?

I advise the Pope and the Bishops to seek out twelve people outside the administrative positions, people who are closest to the poor, who are surrounded by young people, and who try new things.”
The full text of this interview can be found on nconline.org. by John Allen Jr (Sept 04, 2012). In this interview as Martini indicates the key is Jesus’ message and example, and as Saint Francis reminded us it is not complicated, and very much more about actions than it is about words.

Incidentally I will be with 25 of our boys and three other staff celebrating the Feast of Saint Francis (4th October) in Assisi. It is part of our pilgrimage to the sacred Franciscan sites in Italy. I much look forward to this exciting time of prayer, reflection, and an opportunity to be with the boys as we explore the religious, historical and cultural dimensions of the Franciscan movement.

Fr John
Franciscan Week 2012
On return from holidays the College celebrates its annual Franciscan Week. There are a number of events planned for the week (see flyer in this Bulletin). This week is an important one for the College as we re-affirm and acknowledge our Franciscan heritage. Please note the Casual Dress Day planned for Wednesday 10 October includes the whole College. Expectations regarding what is worn on these days is clear – smart casual clothing with nothing offensive written on them, no singlets and no things/sandals. The $2 coin donation collected for that day will be distributed to a number of charities that Padua is associated with – Rosie’s Street Van and Catholic Mission are two major beneficiaries of this day.

Red Cross Mobile Blood Van
Thank you to all those boys who have returned their Consent Forms for the next visit of the Blood Van. Mt Alvernia students have come on board with this event as well which is a great thing for the two secondary schools on the Hill to do. The Red Cross Mobile Blood Van will be here on 31 October, 1 & 2 November. All members of the Padua (and wider Padua) community are welcome to visit the van during that time to make a donation. Donation times are from 8.00 am to 2.30 pm. Any further enquiries about this visit may be directed to me on 38657 9986.

Italy Pilgrimage
After many months of planning and fundraising departure day for our next pilgrimage is almost upon us. The Pilgrimage Group departs Brisbane on Friday 28 September and returns on Saturday 13 October in the wee small hours of the morning. The group will travel to Rome, Assisi, Florence, Padua and Venice following in the footsteps of St Francis along the way. 26 boys and four staff make up this year’s group. You will be able to follow our journey via our blog http://paduapilgrims.wordpress.com

Ignite Conference
This is a final reminder (see ad next page) about the Ignite Youth Conference scheduled for from 27-30 September 2012 (school holidays) at the Mueller Performing Arts Centre, Redcliffe. This is only 2
weeks away! Any interested students from Years 5 – 12 wishing to register should contact me as soon as possible as the College does financially support a limited number of attendees.

Peace and all good
Michael O’Brien
Vice Rector - Formation

Ignite Conference 2012: “Awaken”

27-30 September 2012
Mueller Performing Arts Centre, Rothwell (Redcliffe, Brisbane)

The Ignite Conference is the largest Catholic event of its kind in Australia for young people - adults, teenagers and children. The conference includes live bands and awesome speakers, with streams and workshops in areas such leadership, worship, creative arts, mission,

Franciscan Reflections
Franciscan Readings for the Christian Year – gladly hosted by the Franciscan Friars (Holy Spirit Province) in Kedron, and written by Br Matt Hufer OFM.

http://bromattisafoth.wordpress.com/
www.facebook.com/bromattisafoth
FRANCISCAN WEEK PROGRAMME 2012

MONDAY (8 OCTOBER)
Daily Morning Prayer
Lunchtime Music Concert - Intermediate Strings Orchestra (Padua Primary)

TUESDAY (9 OCTOBER)
Daily Morning Prayer
Blessing of the Animals (Padua Primary)
Lunchtime Concert – Senior Big Band & Jazz Band (Padua Secondary)

WEDNESDAY (10 OCTOBER)
Daily Morning Prayer
Casual Dress Day (Whole College)
Franciscan Schools Eco-Justice Day (Assisi College)
Padua Primary/St Anthony’s Rotational Games Day & BBQ (Padua Primary/St Anthony’s)
Lunchtime Football Match Padua v Mt Alvernia (Padua Secondary Oval)
Grigg/Odoric House BBQ Lunch

THURSDAY (11 OCTOBER)
Daily Morning Prayer
St Francis Eucharist (La Cordelle 11.00 am)
Staff Lunch (St Francis Hall)
Lunchtime Concert – FCIP Rock Band (Padua Secondary)
Padua Primary/St Anthony’s Dance

FRIDAY (12 OCTOBER)
Daily Morning Prayer
House Celebration Day (Secondary)
Franciscan Week Staff Drinks (Parish House 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm)
St Francis Dance (Yrs 9-12, PCYC Arana Hills)
From the Vice Rector Curriculum

The past four weeks have been very busy ones in the academic life of the Western Campus and the holidays which commence today have been well earned by many students and adults alike.

YEAR 12

QCS TEST: Three weeks ago most of the Year 12 students sat for the QCS Tests which will contribute to the calculation of the OP scores or their Tertiary Selection Ranks. The students managed all the processes involved very well, and we hope that their performances on the four test papers help them to achieve good scores at the end of the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks to several people who contributed to the QCS Test event. First and foremost, I thank Mr Jon O’Driscoll who took on and ably fulfilled the role of “Chief Supervisor” for Padua College. This role is a demanding and responsible one and I am very grateful that Mr O’Driscoll was willing to take it on again. Secondly, I would like to thank all the Year 12 PALS teachers who helped to prepare the boys for the test during PALS lessons throughout the year: Mrs Janet Jedroszkowiak, Ms Debra Matthews, Mr Mick O’Shea and Mr Peter McNamara.

Additionally, our sincere thanks are due to Mrs Robyn Leyton and the tuckshop staff who, with Mr Michael O’Brien, prepared hot breakfast for all of the seniors on the two days of the tests. Thank you one and all.

Over the past two weeks, since QCS, the senior boys have also completed their Term Three assessments, which will contribute significantly to their final Exit Results in all of their Senior subjects. Thus, the senior boys are now enjoying their final school holidays in preparation for their final term of their schooling.

YEAR 10:

In the past two weeks all the Year 10 students have completed their SET Plans, their Senior education and Training Plans, which included their applications for their Senior Pathways and chosen senior courses over the next two years. This was the culmination of a long process of preparation coordinated by Mrs Jane Goodwin, the Careers Counsellor for Padua College, and the Year 10 PALS teachers. Thank you to all these teachers for the work done with the Year 10 boys to
reach this very important stage of their transition to the Senior Schooling Phase of their education. Those applications will be processed during the holidays and the first few weeks of next term.

YEAR 9

Subject Selections for Year 10: This week the Year 9 boys received their pink subject selection forms from Mr Stower, to indicate the Elective subjects they would like to study in First Semester next year. These forms are due back to the school at the beginning of next term.

NAPLAN: The NAPLAN reports for individual Year 9 students arrived at Padua last week. They will be posted home to all families of Year 9 students with the Term Three Reports during the holidays.

YEAR 8:

Subject selections: On Monday evening of this week we were joined in La Cordelle, the Sports Hall, by a very large number of Year 8 parents and students for the final Parent Information night for 2012. The Year 8 are now invited to make their first ever decisions about which subjects they would like to study. They are asked to choose two elective subjects for First Semester of Year 9. All Year 8 students and families should now have received their Junior Studies Handbooks ad Application Forms for those subject selections.

The Australian Curriculum for History: As we explained to the Year 8 parents and students on Monday evening, the Australian Curriculum for History commences next year and, thus, History will become a compulsory subject for Years 9 and 10 at Padua beginning with the group of students entering Year 9 in 2013.

ALL STUDENTS:

Term Three Reports for all students in Years 8 – 12 will be posted home during the first week of the coming holidays.

THE ANNUAL WRITING COMPETITION:

This year for the first time the Annual Writing Competition was offered as a voluntary activity for students in Years 8, 9 and 10. Twenty-five boys from these year levels entered the competition which was conducted on Wednesday, 19 September. We look forward to reading and judging their entries over the coming weeks.

For Years 11 and 12 the Writing Competition is compulsory, and it forms part of their preparation for the QCS Test. The Year 12 boys completed their writing last term and the Year 11 boys will complete theirs early next term. All winners will be announced at the end of Term 4.

HOLIDAYS!

My best wishes to all students and families for a safe and restful holiday in the coming weeks. I am sure that we all feel that we have earned a break after our busiest term of the year.

Trish Dwyer
Vice Rector, Curriculum
A lovely surprise for staff from a grateful parent this week.

6TH BATTALION
THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

Mr Robert Out
Rector
Padua College
80 Turner Rd
REDRON, QLD 4031

Dear Rech,

On behalf of the men and women of the 6th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment, I would like to offer my sincere thanks for your kind wishes regarding the recent passing of Private Rob Poate in Afghanistan.

The tragic loss of our brave soldiers is something that the 6th Battalion unfortunately knows all too well from recent experiences. While the unit grieves for the fallen and his family, we are also most grateful for the generous support provided to us by our local community. Without people like you, such losses would be infinitely more difficult to bear.

Rob was a charismatic and selfless young soldier, who was highly regarded by all within the Battalion. On Friday, 07 September 2012, we held a memorial service at Gallipoli Barracks to honour Rob and his other fallen brothers. Please find enclosed a photo of the Battalion’s memorial area, including your floral arrangement, taken after Private Poate’s service on Friday.

On behalf of all members of the 6th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment, I again thank you for your generous condolences.

M.R. Jennings
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer

10 September 2012
From the Pastoral Care Team

Ben Lowrie is away at Year 11 Camp.

2012 Ed Nally Cup

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Final Placings
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From the Pastoral Care Team

Padua Boy Wins National Title

Andrew Bannerman of the mighty Grigg House recently competed with the U15 Qld Volleyball team at the National Titles in Bendigo. His team played against W.A., N.S.W, Vic, A.C.T. and S.A. over the 5 day competition of which they were undefeated in 10 games. They then met W.A. in the final and won in 4 nail-biting sets to retain the National Title. Well done Andrew you have done Padua, Grigg and your parents proud for your efforts!

Dan Cull
Grigg House Guardian
Parent Information Nights

WHEN

*Tuesday 20 November* (new enrolments and current Yr 5 – 7 families)
*Wednesday 21 November* (current Yr 8 – 11 families)
*Monday 26 November* (any families unable to attend the previous sessions)

WHERE

La Cordelle starting 7 pm

AGENDA

- College iPad program for 2013
- Outline of expectations regarding use of iPads
- Key elements of Student Agreement
- Release of updated College website
- How we envisage classroom delivery being enhanced in 2013

Please note that families need only attend one of the nights if you have students in different year levels

*Attendance is compulsory* – if you are unable to attend any of these nights, please contact Tanya Anderson by email: tanderson@padua.qld.edu.au
P&F Volunteers

Thank You Function

Where  Outside Tuckshop @ Padua College
When   6.00pm Friday 19 October 2012
RSVP   16/10/12 to admin@padua.qld.edu.au
        or Robyn Layton rlayton@padua.qld.edu.au
This term we have been privileged to have Fifi Dosa from Sudan working at Padua College under the Work & Welcome program (formerly known as Job Pledge). This program provides employment for refugees and migrants funded by the generosity of Padua staff.

Fifi has been working in various parts of the school notably the science labs, tuckshop, library and the industrial skills area. In each area she has been learning new skills and performing numerous tasks. In addition, Fifi has prepared a power point presentation which reflects on her life’s journey. This journey includes fleeing the conflict in Sudan, escaping to Egypt and finally travelling to Australia.

Fifi has been sharing her story with classes in the secondary, primary and at Mt Alvernia. This is a unique opportunity for students to hear first hand about the challenges faced by many people throughout the world. It has been an absolute delight to have Fifi at the College – she has a warm, friendly and happy nature. We thank Fifi for her openness, her courage and her generosity, and wish her every joy and happiness on the journey ahead.

Mark Taylor

REFLECTION – FI FI D O SA

I have enjoyed my time at Padua. The education is helping me to settle in to the Australian community and become a part of it. I enjoy meeting the other students who come from different countries.

I came to Australia from Egypt in 2004 after fleeing from Sudan. The freedom I have here for myself and my family is something that I will always treasure.

My English has improved and continues to improve every day. I feel comfortable shopping and living in the community and dealing with people. I am taking part in the Job Pledge program and I find it very rewarding. I feel that I am contributing to my new life in my new home.

The security I feel is extended to my family, and my four children are very happy in their schools and sporting clubs. I am learning to cook Australian food and like to try different recipes. The help that Mark, Wendy, Stephen, Robyn and Sandra have given me has been so much appreciated. I help Robyn in the tuckshop and she is a great help to me and very patient. I also help in the library which is very interesting.

All of the teachers and people have been so helpful to me and I will always be grateful to them for teaching me new skills.

I look forward to learning more every day and enjoying my new life as a free citizen. God bless you and peace always.

Fifi Dosa

September 2012

Fifi Dosa (left) with Rita Patel (last year’s Work & Welcome employee)
Is your son leaving Padua at the end of 2012?  
(excluding current Year 12 students)

To enable us to plan for College numbers in 2013, please remember that we require a Term's notice (in writing) for you to withdraw your son from Padua, otherwise one Term's school fees will be charged.
As we come to the end of the third term, sport is still as competitive and regular as it was in Term 1. We have reached the half way mark in the Tennis and Basketball season with some very positive results. Plenty of teams are still playing for premierships, while others are playing to maintain a strong position in the school aggregate. Athletics has had some strong support from certain age groups, but the day we get our best team together, we will be a force to reckon with.

Even though we are almost finished our AIC sport for the year, there is still plenty going on. Water polo trials and training will be starting first week in Term 4 and as usual we will be trialling and developing Cricket, Volleyball and Swimming squads for Term 1, 2013. This will all coincide with the long pre-seasons for First Rugby and Football.

Congratulations must also go to Luke Wakefield, Year 9, who received the Football Brisbane Junior Player of the Year Award recently. With opposition teams voting on a 3, 2, 1 basis, Luke was selected out of all junior teams in Brisbane Football. This is a very high honour to bestow upon him, given the number of players in Brisbane.

As expected, Mr Maguire will be taking the reins again for Head of Sport in Term 4. Even though my tenor had been short, I will follow the results and development of teams for the last few games. It has been a steep learning curve in the position, but also a fun one. My appreciation for the amount of work Mr Maguire puts into Padua Sport and all that is involved in this role is immense and only going to get bigger next year when it is years 5-12. So if you played sport this year, went on a tour, camp or participated in any school carnival or picked up a piece of sporting equipment, you have Mr Maguire to thank.

Best of luck in Term 4.

Martin Raadschelders
Acting Head of Sport
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION UPDATE – SEPTEMBER

Year 12 School leavers:

Here are some excellent websites I have found recently which are perfect for those boys leaving this year, and who are looking for apprenticeships and information on trades.

I highly recommend them.


Changes to Careers Australia partnership:

You may not know that Careers Australia is closing the Brendale facility. I will be meeting with CA staff this week to examine the alternative options available to Padua boys doing the certificate II in Construction.

The alternative venue is likely to be Salisbury in future. This will mean that boys will need to organize themselves to travel via train.

I will advise of the changes as soon as decisions are made.

Mark Diviney
Coordinator Vocational Education
This offer is available for a limited time only, so don’t miss this fantastic business networking opportunity!

Call PC Graphic Art on 07 3358 4654 for a booking form today.
Padua College Foundation Race Day

Derby Day
Saturday November 3, 2012
12:00pm
Eagle Farm Race Course

Tickets $140

This includes:
• Entry to the track and ‘Past the Post Marquee’. Positioned right alongside the racing action.
• 5 hour food and beverage package

Dress Code
Gentlemen are required to wear a collared shirt, tailored trousers, covered dress shoes, plus either a tie or a tailored suit-style jacket or blazer.
Ladies are required to be dressed neatly in keeping with contemporary standards; no bare midriffs.

To purchase your tickets, contact Sharyn Biddle on 3857 9907. Tickets are limited so get in early in order to avoid disappointment.
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I would like to thank those parents who were able to attend the presentation from Mulcahy Ryan Lawyers on Young people, Technology and Criminal Law.

It was a very informative night with Wendy and Brendan sharing their knowledge, experiences and offering sound advice on dealing with authorities and inappropriate use of mobile phones, drugs and alcohol. Personally, I was shocked to discover a teenager over 17 years in Queensland is considered an adult and is treated so.

A big thank you to Ben Lowrie for organising the presentation and Barry Keegan for hosting the evening.

Future P&F date claimers are:

9th Oct  - General meeting (reminder this is the 2nd day of term 4)
19th Oct  - Special P&F Event – Volunteers Thank You Dinner
13th Nov  - AGM

Unless otherwise advised the P&F meetings are held in the staff room, located in St Francis Hall and start at 07:30pm.

A light supper is provided afterwards.

Regards
John Titmarsh
P&F President
Come support our school and our local artists while helping to raise funds for the Padua College Parents and Friends Association.

What’s happening:
Saturday morning sneak preview 9am - 1pm followed by the

GALA OPENING NIGHT
Saturday 20 October
Doors open 6.30pm for 7pm start

Tickets $35
Available from August through the Main Office - Ph: 3857 9999

What’s included:
Canapes, complimentary drink on arrival, lucky door prizes, musical entertainment and much more.

What’s happening:
50 artists’ work on display including feature artist Pamela Gough, two bands from FCIR announcement of Gala Art Prize winner and the People’s Choice Award.

Sunday morning Craft Market
9am - 1pm

Enquiries
Call Lynda McCormack - 3857 9935
email artscape11@hotmail.com
Find us on Facebook under Art Scape.
The Uniform Shop
will be **OPEN** for
a special trading day
on October 20
9am-12noon
Padua Amateur Swimming Club
Swimming Season 2012-2013

Padua Swimming Club runs a family-orientated, yet competitive Friday night swim meet each week during Term 4 2012 and Term 1 2013 which is open to all swimmers living in the local area, regardless of the school they attend. To join, please fill out a membership application form for the 2012/2013 season via their website from next week at www.paduaswim.org.au. The first club night is Friday 12 October 2012 at 6pm. Padua College also runs a number of swim squads and Learn to Swim lessons. Pre-enrolments and payments for these can also be made via this website.
Semester 2, 2012

Online applications for the Students with Disabilities Scheme will be accepted from

1st October until 31st October 2012

To lodge an online application to receive a rebate for this program, go to:
www.schooltransport.com.au

Further enquiries to:
3336 9192 or
schooltransport@qcec.catholic.edu.au

Applications received after 31st October 2012 cannot be processed.

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SAFE SCHOOLIES 2012

Do you have a student who wants to go to schoolies in 2012 or 2013?

If so come along to a free Parents and Students seminar being held by Police from North Brisbane District on helping your school leavers to experience a Safe Schoolies.

There will be guest speakers on hand to provide a variety of information including, Laws and Consequences, Rights and Responsibilities, common problems faced by students at Schoolies, Strategies to celebrate safely and to answer any other questions you may have.

6.45pm for 7pm start Wednesday 10th October 2012
Longtan room
Kedron Wavell RSL, Hamilton Rd Chermside.
Cost: FREE
Light refreshments will be provided.

Due to limited spots and catering BOOKINGS are ESSENTIAL.

To Book or for further information please call 3632 2380.

This event is being run by North Brisbane District Police Crime Prevention Unit and is supported by Blue Light Qld.

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Position Vacant: Family Assistant

Make a positive difference in your community...

The Cerebral Palsy League (CPL) is a non-profit organisation that provides vital support and services to over 5,000 children and adults with cerebral palsy and related physical disabilities.

We are seeking a family assistant to work in Bracken Ridge to provide support to a young man in his own home and within the community.

Duties would include:
- Personal care support
- Leisure activities

Hours:
- 4 hours per week 3:30pm – 7:30pm
- Choose your day, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday
- Opportunity for weekend shifts available and additional shifts during the school holiday periods

Successful candidates must have:
- The ability to work with people with varying support requirements
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to work both within a team and independently
- An energetic, supportive and helpful personality
- Reliable and well groomed
- A current Blue Card & Yellow Card (QSW criminal history check) or be eligible to obtain one
- A current drivers’ license and your own reliable transport

Apply now:
cplqld.org.au/careers

For more information, contact the recruitment team on 07 3358 8058 or email recruitment@cplqld.org.au

cerebral palsy league

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Community News
ISSI DYE AND BAND
CHARITY SHOW
Friday 28th September, 8pm

One of Australia's leading Cabaret and Rock’n’ Roll stars with over 40 years in showbiz.

Don’t miss this polished and diverse show raising funds for charity.

Gold coin donation at the door.
This is not a ticketed event.

All monies raised will be donated to the Friends of Sam Charity
www.friendsofsam.org.au

For further information visit the Member Services Office
www.kedron-wavell.com.au