Dear Parents

Welcome everyone to Term Two. I hope all Paduan families enjoyed a safe and happy Easter break. It seems that, with the support of our dedicated staff, Padua did not really close over the holiday period, as a large number of students, staff and parents were involved in a variety of co-curricular activities. The Open Rugby Squad played a tournament on the Sunshine Coast (winning all games) and stayed at Amaroo. The Open Football Squad toured Northern NSW and also performed strongly. Rugby and Football Clinics were also hosted at Banyo and were very well attended.

On the last weekend of the holidays I had the pleasure of travelling to Armidale with our Year 7 Rugby Team. Like all our touring groups, the boys represented the College with distinction and tried their hardest in every game. They finished the Carnival in twelfth spot from the thirty-eight teams who competed. These boys also received great support from many of their parents who made the long trip down to Armidale in support of their sons. They also enjoyed a great weekend of socializing and Rugby as can be seen by this photo!

Not all holiday activities revolved around sport. Miss Asi-mus, Mrs Sally Dwyer and Mr Honeywill also lead a group of boys on our regular cultural tour of Japan. This tour went well again and the boys proved to be outstanding
representatives of the College. I would like to thank all of our staff members who gave up their own holidays and time with their families in support of our students. Our students are very fortunate to be at a school where staff are prepared to offer so many extra opportunities.

This term, we welcome a new teacher to the Assisi Campus, Ms Lizzy Mathai, who will be teaching Mathematics and IT. Mrs Poppleton will be acting as Head of Curriculum for Year 10-12 Mathematics whilst Ms Clapham is on maternity leave.

The next few weeks will be as busy as usual with Parent Teacher interviews being offered on both Campuses and the Term 2 Co-curricular program beginning in earnest. There are also a number of important term events to note from our Calendar. These include House Eucharists, Camps and NAPLAN.

All the best for the first two weeks.

Simon Stower
Acting Rector
Dear Parents

The English Philosopher Michael Oakshott in his essay on "Learning and Teaching", *The Concept of Education*, R.S. Peters (ed)( London, 1967) wrote that a teacher's engagement with his pupil is, specifically, to get his pupil to make the most of himself by teaching him to recognise himself in the mirror of human achievements which compose his inheritance.

Human achievement shows itself in many aspects of life. We see it forcefully in science and technology, but also in the arts, in sport, in business and commerce, as well as our political and juridical institutions. Let us not forget that most importantly we see it in the living of a good life, where there is a commitment to love, loyalty, self-sacrifice, and justice. It is, in this sense, that all significant adults in a young person's life are teachers.

As a Franciscan, when I look into Oakshott's mirror, I see a number of people who show clearly what is involved in influencing the development of an ethical response to life. The three I see are Socrates, Jesus, and Francis of Assisi.

You might object and say that Jesus and Francis were not showing human achievement, but rather preparing us for a world beyond this one. Let me say that they both had much to say about how we should live in this world. With all three of them, it is how they taught as much as what they taught that shows how teaching could influence the acquisition of an ethical sense.

For Socrates, the pupil is never a passive participant. He is not just being told, but rather he learns because he is involved in the process - he is making something a part of himself. This applies to all successful teaching, be it problem solving, or more direct instruction. For Socrates, it is engagement with the person of the teacher that is fundamental to a young person learning values.
For Jesus and for Francis, we see the how and the what of teaching. Their success as teachers lay in their teaching with authority, and this authority often showed in presence - being with people, walking with them, sensitive to them, and affirming them along the way-some do it, and some don't! Their authority also showed itself in love, confidence, and commitment, and in the belief that what they taught was important. Fundamentally, there was an alliance between what they said, and how they lived. Their words and actions coincided.

Whether we be teachers at school, parents at home, the young learn more from observing us, than by listening to us.

Fr John
College Chaplain

**SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION**

Those boys currently enrolled at Padua College who would like to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and First Penance are invited to approach the College Chaplain, Fr John for an instruction program in preparation for receiving these SACRAMENTS.

It is presumed that such boys have the support of their parents.

Cut off date for enrolment is 6th May 2013- for the benefit of all, no enrolments will be taken after this date.

Fr john
jboyd-boland@padua.qld.edu.au
phone: 0448484945
38579999
Welcome back, I hope everyone had a relaxing break and are ready to go for Term 2. This term is a busy one with many great things happening around the school. Excursions have already begun with the Year 5s, QCS practice has already taken place for the Year 12s and many more great learning experiences are being planned. Assessment Calendars should be available next week and that is a great opportunity to sit down with your son and plan his term workload, ensuring that both their co-curricular and academic workloads are taken into account.

Over the holidays, I spoke with a few parents about iPads and their usage. Below is an article by our E-Learning Co-ordinator and in every Bulletin she endeavours to provide practical advice on iPad usage. As a Padua parent and Vice-Rector, I attended the Apple Parent evening last term and the knowledge gained has helped me both professionally and as a parent. On Sunday when we realised that my son needed to purchase a book on his iPad but we did not have an iTunes card, I quickly remembered the Apple evening and used my Apple id on his iPad to purchase the book. Not only did he get a copy of the book on his iPad, but I also got one on mine and have now nearly finished the book he is reading for English. By doing this, I have a lot more control over purchases and can personally check the suitability of everything we download onto his iPad. I would like to reinforce Tanya’s point about making contact with the Apple store at Chermside if you need any advice or assistance with your son’s iPad.

Regards,
Jason Pacey

E-Learning

As we begin the term, I would like to ask that you take some time to check that your son’s iPad is ready for learning. The apple ID associated with the iPad should be your son’s Padua Apple ID (check in Settings, General, iCloud). The boys have been reminded that they should have removed non-school related itemsthat they may have put on their iPads over the break – this includes movies, non-school related apps and any additional games. PC and classroom teachers will also be checking over the coming week that this has been done.

The relationship that we have with the Apple team at Chermside is a very positive one and provides us with a number of benefits to assist you and
your son in the continued management of your iPad. I have been asked to remind parents of the following:

Parents can either call Apple Care 1300 321 456 or make a genius bar appointment via our website if they need technical support - www.apple.com/au/chermside

• For iCloud, Apple ID, email troubleshooting, it's best they call AppleCare who can talk them through the settings.

• Any physical damage - water or glass will mean their warranty is void and will incur a cost and will require a genius bar appointment.

• Any replacement devices will not have engraving as we cannot facilitate that at a store level.

Thank you again for your help in matter.

As we enter the next term, I would like to remind parents that there will be some occasions where students will be required to purchase additional apps or books to assist in their learning. We have a process in place to ensure that the cost of these apps is kept to a minimum and that they fully support the teaching and learning taking place. I would ask that you ensure that your son has these apps or iBooks installed by the due date provided by the relevant teacher.

And so on to another exciting term in E-Learning – the boys produced some very creating and exciting projects last term and I look forward to seeing their efforts as the year progresses.

Tanya Anderson
Welcome back to the start of Term 2 2013. A special welcome back to the many students who represented Padua during the Easter break for Rugby, Football and in Japan.

The Rugby teams of the Greccio and Assisi campuses were proud representatives of the College and gained many skills during their training and games. The 1st Football enjoyed the training and comraderie of the week at the northern rivers. Lastly the Japan trip was by all accounts very enjoyable and the boys gained many new cultural experiences. The College would like to thank the parents and students for their support of the College in attending these well organised tours. Special thanks go to all the teachers who gave up their holidays to be with the students and for their expert training on these tours. They are a great asset to the College.

Friday April 19 is the annual Cross Country Championship, with all six Houses competing for honours. I would like to wish all the Houses in both Greccio and Assisi, all the best in their endeavours at Hickey Park on Friday. This will be a first for a six House competition and the integration of the Greccio points towards the overall result. It is a normal and compulsory school day for all students.

It is also an important time in our nation’s history with the ANZAC day liturgy being celebrated on Wednesday morning 24 April. This week I have had the opportunity to chat with many of you at the Parent Teacher Interviews. These interviews provide great insight into your son’s study habits and his daily life at the College. I encourage all families to attend these interviews, speak to your son’s teachers and be actively involved in his academic and pastoral life at the College. If you missed the interviews or could not attend, your son’s Pastoral Care Teacher is always the first and best point of contact at the College.

During the Parent Teacher interviews, I was asked a number of questions about internet use for teenage boys and cyber activity. I recently read an article written by Michael Grose providing tips on this topic. Michael works in the area of building confidence, character and resilience with children as well as solutions and ideas for parenting with parents. He is considered an expert in his field. The article titled ‘Making Your Child’s Online Experience Safe’ offers tips and advice for parents regarding their children’s internet use. To find, it simply search for Michael Grose in a web search.

I also look forward to the upcoming Eucharists for Beirne and Kirby. They are a great opportunity for families to come together in the wider community of Padua College. Best wishes for the term.

Paul Garufi
Pastoral Care Team
YEAR 7 RUGBY-TASRC 2013

What a weekend!
The final weekend of the holidays saw a group of enthusiastic boys and staff make the annual trek to The Armidale School Rugby Carnival. Accountability, mate ship and teamwork were the theme for the Padua boys and they needed every little bit over the weekend. Tested on and off the field the boys competed with great Paduan spirit and pride. They supported each other extremely well when times were tough. Five games of Rugby have seen plenty of stories and memories created, as well as bonds between teammates strengthened.

Bumps and niggles were inevitable with so many games being played. However, nothing could have prepared the players, staff and parents for the collision young Connor Smith received early in the carnival. Thanks must go to The Armidale Hospital, Padua staff and Padua parents who whipped into action to ensure the upmost care of Connor. It was great to see Connor back in his school greys on Tuesday, after being cleared by hospital staff late Sunday afternoon and returning to Brisbane on Monday.

One final thanks must go to all players and parents involved, along with special thanks to Mr Chris Yeo, Mr David Yeo and Mr Brendan Downes.

Ty Casey
Pastoral Guardian
Greccio Campus
Japan is beautiful in any season but the Cherry blossoms in spring are particularly pretty. For those fortunate enough to go on the recent Japan trip I’m sure it will be something they won’t forget. We followed the Cherry blossoms from Tokyo to Yokohama then Hiroshima to Miyajima and Kyoto. Budding photographers in the group got some amazing shots of the ‘sea of pink’.

Our fortnight away was busy yet exciting. We visited many temples and shrines and we climbed inside the biggest outdoor Buddha in Japan. Whilst in Tokyo we visited an Onsen (traditional hot springs) and the group bravely embraced communal bathing. Despite initial reservations they really enjoyed the experience of dressing in a Yukata and using both the indoor and outdoor baths. Some adventurous group members even put their feet in the small pool where little fish nibble away at the dead skin around feet and ankles.

We had fun at two theme parks and we enjoyed tours of Studio Ghibli and the Mazda Factory and production line. Perhaps our more bizarre outings included a visit to a two storey Cat Café and a Maid Café. Only in Japan!! Other highlights included two nights of karaoke, Tokyo Tower, seeing Geisha, eating sashimi, riding on the bullet train and shopping, shopping and more shopping.

I would like to commend the boys on their excellent behaviour and their willingness to embrace a new culture. I’d also like to thank Sally Dwyer and Julian Honeywill for giving up their holidays and assisting with the tour. I look forward to planning the next trip.

Aimee Asimus (Japanese Teacher)
Over the recent Easter break 16 boys who are trialling for the 1st XI squad attended a pre season training camp in the Northern Rivers area of NSW. The group bunkered down at Lennox Heads, in one of the local caravan parks staying in the self contained bungalows. Games were arranged against two local schools, Xavier College and Emanuel College as well as two local football clubs in Lennox Heads FC and Alstonville FC.

The group claimed a hard fought win against Xavier College in a high level game of football on Day 1 in beautiful conditions. The boys unfortunately could not finish off the second game that night against Lennox FC going down 2-1 in the late stages as they grew weary displaying that game fitness was a key area the boys need to work on. Day 2 saw the boys up early before sunrise to hit the beach for a wade in the local waters and a stretching session to recover from the games the day before.

Day 2 saw a break in football activities for the morning and a chance for the boys to bond further and have a laugh or two in the shape of a learn to surf session in beautiful conditions at Lennox Heads beach. Later that day, the boys went to Emanuel College in Ballina, to test their skills against the local talent. Unfortunately, the boys were presented with the task of taking on a team of non football players in the guise of rugby union, league and even basketball players on a U12 rugby league field with no nets! Their challenge was to play to the structure of the game we know and let our skill do the talking. Within minutes of starting the boys scored easily and then seemed to turn off from the game plan and never came back letting the opposition score 3 times. This game was then followed by a team spirit building fitness session on Flat Rock Beach as we attempted to regroup after a such a disappointing effort. Lesson learnt, the boys held their heads high and trained hard without a word spoken. Dinner that night at one of the local Italian restaurants.

Day 3 the heavens opened up and plans had to be altered. The group headed to a local indoor centre to train for the morning. Lunch was taken at Byron Bay followed by a leisurely team walk around the most easterly point of Australia, the light house at Cape Byron. The final night saw Padua take on Alstonville FC, the local heavy weights of the region, a very polished and classy outfit. The pitch was greasy from the days rain and wasn't helped by a short downpour during warm up. The game started at a high pace with the locals dominating and putting our defence to the test. Eventually the locals scored an easy goal off a corner, an area the Paduans will need to work on. This result then motivated the visitors to kick up a gear and clearly saw the Paduans show their fighting spirit and dominate the locals. We created quite a few opportunities and were really starting to turn the tables on the locals when the heavens opened up and the game was abandoned near half time to see if conditions improved. The game was called off however, but the boys showed great promise and certainly finished the tour on a high, football wise.

The Camp overall was deemed a success as spirits were high and the young men of Padua seemed to bond cohesively. Hopefully this will turn this into success on the fields this upcoming AIC season. Certainly there will be some fond memories for the boys of this brief tour. From the staffs’ perspective, the students were held in high regard for their behaviour and manners.

Dan Cull
Open Football Camp to Northern Rivers NSW
Important News

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HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED

for students of
Kamakura Gakuen High School
from Kanagawa, JAPAN
attending
Padua College

This is a worthwhile opportunity for
your family to learn about Japanese
culture, while sharing with your
Japanese student the lifestyle of an
Australian family.

Families are asked to provide all meals and a friendly home for
their student.

They will travel to and from school each day the same way as
arranged for your own children.

Payment to host families will be $250/week to assist with some of
the expenses involved when hosting your student.

Yes, I would like to host a Japanese
student, but...

Will the student speak any English?
Yes. However, as their English skills may be limited, we would ask that you
speak clearly and slowly (but not in a patronising way) when communicating
with them.

Will I have to cook Japanese food for the student?
No. Your Japanese student is here to experience an Australian lifestyle.
This includes eating meals with your family, and eating what you
and your family normally eat.

Is it OK if the parents work fulltime?
Yes. During these times (e.g., after school), your Japanese student can
spend time with your own children. Families who live near each other are
encouraged to share transport, or other activities outside of school.

Do we need Blue Cards?
Yes. If your family hosts an overseas student for 10 or more days, it is
necessary for all family members over the age of 18 to have a current Blue
Card. Please contact Michael O’Rourke at o’rourke@padua.qld.edu.au to
obtain blue card application form.

If you would like to host a Japanese student this year.
please contact:

Michael O’Rourke (Japanese Teacher)
mo’rourke@padua.qld.edu.au

to obtain a Host Family Application Form

Please contact Yoko if you need assistance
or have queries about this program.
Yoko Sagimoto (ISS - Study Tour Organiser)
3876 9114 /oparations@getHiss.com.au

Thank you.

Japanese Exchange
Not all good Books must come to an end!
The 2012 | 2013 Entertainment Book will expire on 1 June 2013, but the good news is that the sequel is here, and you can enjoy the many valuable offers in the latest edition.

Selling for only $65, the new 2013 | 2014 Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and surrounds Entertainment Book contains over $15,000 in valuable 50% off and 2-for-1 offers from the best restaurants, attractions, cinemas, sports and hotel accommodation.

To flip through the virtual Book, visit www.entertainmentbook.com.au/flickbook/brisbane
Plus, 20% of your Book purchase goes towards our community fund-raising -- so please forward this email, or tell your family and friends, as the more Books we sell, the more funds we'll raise.

Order your new 2013 | 2014 Entertainment Book by contacting us:
Padua College P & F
Phone: 38579999
Email: enrolments@padua.qld.edu.au
Thank you for your support and contribution to our fund-raising efforts

Future P&F date claimers are:
May 14 – General Meeting
June 11 – General Meeting
July 9 – General Meeting
September 10 – General Meeting
October 8 – General Meeting
November 12 – Annual General Meeting

Regards
Karen Caughey
P & F President
The Brisbane Archdiocesan Council of Parents and Friends Associations invites you and your school community to an evening with Fr Richard Leonard.

If you have children in Catholic schools then you need to attend this event!

**Wednesday, April 24 at 5:30pm • San Sisto College, Carina**

97 Mayfield Rd

Father Richard Leonard SJ will speak on the obstacles our catholic children and schools face in living the “Christian way” in society today. Come and get some tips, share some laughter and be inspired to go home and reconnect spiritually with your loved ones, how can you help them?

To get maximum benefit come prepared to listen with your heart and ears.

Doors open 5:15pm for drinks and dinner followed by a special presentation from Fr Richard Leonard

Comfortable flat shoes only, no heels please.

There is no charge for this event.

**RSVP:**

by Friday April 19
on Phone: 3336 9242* or E-mail: info@pandf.org.au*

*Limited places so please book early

*All bookings through the Federation of Parents and Friends of Catholic Schools in QLD on our behalf.
The Franciscan Colleges Instrumental Program (FCIP) wish to thank the following sponsors for their support of the Instrumental program across Padua College, Mount Alvernia College and St Anthony’s Primary school.
St. Dympna’s School
491 Robinson Road, Aspley Q. 4034  Telephone (07) 3263 6788 Fax (07) 3263 7551
Email: paspley@bne.catholic.edu.au

“Jubilee - celebrating 50 years”
1963-2013
Remember St. Dympna’s!

You are invited to join us for a
“Jubilee Mass”

Celebrated by His Grace, The Most Reverend Archbishop
Mark Coleridge
9:00am
St. Dympna’s Multipurpose Hall
491 Robinson Rd, Aspley.

Followed by the St Dympna’s Jubilee Fair!

Time capsule will be opened during the fair.
You are invited to the 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 year reunion of Mt Alvernia College Classes of 1963, 1973, 1983, 1993 and 2003

Saturday, 25 May 2013
at Mt Alvernia College (meet in Village Green)
from 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Afternoon tea and a guided tour of the school
View Mt A’s history on display in the Delamore Room
Memorabilia will be available for sale

$20 per person
RSVP: 10 May 2013
Are your children fighting?

Researchers from the Triple P-Positive Parenting Program at The University of Queensland are interested in seeking the views of parents of siblings.

If you are a parent of siblings aged between 2 and 10 years, with no more than 4 years separating your children, please visit our website:

www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/siblings

Eligible parents will also be invited to register their interest for participating in a FREE triple P course targeting sibling conflict

Contact
John Pickering
Project Coordinator
Parenting and Family Support Centre
Telephone: (07) 3336 8743
Email: j.pickering@psy.uq.edu.au
Website: www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/siblings

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: A weekend away for married couples in peaceful, picturesque surroundings – away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again!

Weekend date: 24 - 26 May 2013
Venue: Santa Teresa, Ormiston QLD

For bookings/details contact: Tamara and Scott Menteith, ph (07) 4634 3559, stj.men@aapt.net.au
Information website: www.wwme.org.au
Brothers Junior Rugby League Football Club Inc.
Gibson Park - Stafford

Are you having your 9th, 10th or 11th Birthday in 2013 and would like to play Junior Rugby League?

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$15 Adult    $10 Concession    $10 Child

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STREETDREAMS

GREAT NEWS FREE HIP HOP DANCE CLASSES NOW in STAFFORD

Street Dreams classes are on every Wednesday at the Salvation Army Centre 32-54 Hayward st.
4:30-5:30pm High School Students
5:30-6:30pm Primary School aged from 8yrs
Registration day is on at the Stafford Salvos Centre from 4:30-6pm on the 17th of April with classes starting on the 24th of April. Classes were piloted by justice crew who ended up winning Australia’s got talent, so get your groove on and get inspired and go to www.streetdreams.info for more info TODAY!

HURRY places are limited and classes fill up FAST
REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON THE 1st of MAY!

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Metro North Hospital and Health Service
Child and Adolescent Oral Health Service
Newsletter Notice

Teen Dental Vouchers Years 11 - 12 students

The School Dental Program is accepting Teen Dental Vouchers from year 11 and 12 students. If you have received a voucher you are able to use it within the school dental services. There are no gaps to pay and this includes a full course of general treatment.

You are eligible for our care if you can answer yes to the four items listed below:

- You have a current Teen Dental Voucher
- You are a current Health Care Card holder
- You are under 18 years of age, and
- You are currently enrolled in year 11 or 12

To make an appointment, please take your Health Care Card, Medicare Card and Teen Dental Voucher to any of the dental vans or clinics. Alternatively phone 1300 365 997 between 11am – 2pm (Weds – Friday) to make an appointment.
Burnie Brae is having their Annual Fair and what a *doozy* this one will be.

Burnie Brae is the BEST Community Centre (and despite Centre) in Brisbane. They provide aerobics, zumba, gym, hairdresser, podiatry bus trips, pilates, free computer tutoring (me), craft, yoga, indoor bowls, and etc, etc for 50s and over.

**DATE:** SATURDAY 20TH APRIL.

**TIME:** 10.00 AM TO 2.00 PM.

**WHERE:** KURAN STREET, CHERMSIDE

- ***** The above Plant Stall is run by ‘yours truly’ *****
- Trash and Treasure – crockery, odds and ends, furniture, antique doilies
- Craft – beautiful hand-crafted giftware and homeware.
- Raffles – heaps of prizes
- Cent Auction – buy a sheet or two for $2 and place your bid
- Book stall – so many he can hardly fit them on the benches. Self-help books? Just what you need!
- Coffee, sausage sizzle, soft drinks on sale.
- Devonshire tea with fresh home-made scones.
- Cake stall – all homemade.
- Entertainment – school band (plus) outside and professional singing inside the hall
- Queensland Police Crime Prevention will have a display
- Boondall 21 (Chermside/Wavell Heights) Neighbourhood Watch display.
- ‘Healthy Living’ gym for over 50s. Ask them questions.

Any queries, phone me in working hours on 3247 7022 or email. Please pass this info to your friends and work colleagues.
Local MP Wayne Swan invites you to the
BETTER LOCAL SCHOOLS SUMMIT

Come along to hear about the Federal Government’s plan to further improve all our local schools here on the Northside. Federal Minister for School Education, Peter Garrett, will be on hand to answer your questions.

**When:** 10am, Saturday 27 April 2013  
**Where:** Boondall State School, Corner of Sandgate and Roscommon Roads  
**RSVP:** Friday 26 April by emailing Wayne.Swan.MP@aph.gov.au or by phoning 3266 8244.

For more information go to www.betterschools.gov.au

Authorised by Wayne Swan MP, 1162 Sandgate Rd, Nundah.
Stepping Stones Triple P Project Information Sheet

The Project

Stepping Stones Project aims to address the significant unmet needs of children with disabilities at a population level. The project will raise awareness of the importance of early intervention for emotional and behavioural problems in children with disabilities and improve access to the evidence-based positive parenting intervention, Stepping Stones Triple P. It is expected that dissemination of Stepping Stones to parents and caregivers of children with a disability will bring about population level change in the number of children who develop serious behavioural and emotional problems. The project will be rolled out gradually across Queensland, Victoria and New South Wales with the project commencing in Queensland.

Support from professionals, organisations, parents and caregivers and the wider community will play an important part in reducing the rates of serious behavioural and emotional problems and their associated costs.

Brief Project Description:

My Say Survey - Queensland Launch 10th October 2012

My Say is a Queensland-wide survey of all parents and caregivers of children with a disability and all professionals working with these families. This survey asks parents and caregivers of children with disabilities about the types of emotional, social and behavioural difficulties experienced by their children, their awareness of available parenting services, and their preferences for accessing parenting support. Professionals who work with families of children with disabilities will also be asked to complete a survey asking about their experiences working with families and about their knowledge and use of parenting interventions.

The information gathered will be used to determine base-rate levels of challenging behaviours experienced by children with disabilities and will inform the state-wide roll-out of Stepping Stones Triple P programs.

What is Stepping Stones Triple P?

Stepping Stones is an adaptation of the Triple P-Positive Parenting program tailored to meet the needs of parents and caregivers of a child with a disability. This suite of programs is comprised of five levels of a tiered continuum of increasing strength. Professionals will nominate to be trained in one or more levels of the program. Training workshops will be free of charge and will range from 1-3 days, depending on the type and number of programs selected. Professionals who complete training will be required to deliver a mutually agreed upon number of Stepping Stones Triple P programs.

Stepping Stones aims to:

- Decrease the rates of challenging behaviours.
- Empower parents and caregivers to independently solve problems.
- Reduce stress associated with the caregiver role.
- Promote positive, supportive family environments and reduce risk factors.

Who can participate in the project?

- Professionals working with children with a disability can be trained in Stepping Stones Triple P free of charge and subsequently promote and deliver the program.
- Parents and caregivers of children with a disability aged 2-12 years can participate in Stepping Stones programs free of charge.
- Parents, caregivers, professionals, organisations, and community groups can spread the word encouraging participation in both the surveys (Phases 1 & 2), and the Stepping Stones Triple P programs (Phase 3).

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