Dear Parents

Welcome to 2014 at Padua!

Today we welcome the Year 7 and 8 students. On Wednesday, the Year 6 students started back and on Tuesday, the Year 5 students had their first day at Padua. It has been wonderful to see the happy smiling faces and the obvious enthusiasm of our younger students.

The question on many people’s lips is, “How is the new building?” Despite a huge effort by Watpac Special Services and our own Peter Franklin and Barry Keegan, we are not quite there. Close—but not close enough. By the end of this week, we should have all of the original school buildings that have been refurbished. This handover consists of B1-3 classrooms (Year 7), C1 classroom, the new Pastoral Care Centre, a new staff room (old Art Room), a new Curriculum Centre (old Pastoral Care Centre) and the refurbished ‘Help Desk’ in IT Centre.

With regards to the new buildings, we are a little way off from occupation. We anticipate a staged handover of rooms and areas as they become available. The landscaping is quite a way off and we do not anticipate opening these areas until Term 2. Whilst this may be disruptive and not desirable, it will not impact greatly on the Teaching and Learning process. Everything will be ‘normal’ before we know it. In the interim, we will just have to anticipate a little longer.

During 2014, I will be the President of our sporting association, the AIC. This position is held on a rotational basis by the Principals of the AIC schools. Our first duty is to host the AIC Ecumenical Ser-
vice and AGM next Wednesday.

Over the holidays, there were some happy but also sad events. Our congratulations go to Mr Greg Lavey, the House Guardian for Boyd-Boland House, who was married over the holidays. Our commiserations go to Mr Ben Lowrie and his family on the passing of Mr Stephen Fraser, Ben’s Step-father. Our commiserations are also extended to the Harris family on the passing of Mr Barry Harris, who tragically died as a result of an accident in the surf at Byron Bay. Barry was a groundsman at Padua for twenty years before retiring three years ago.

2014 is a year where we will continue to make significant steps towards ‘Padua as One in 2016’. The Year 7 students moving to the Assisi Campus is an historic step. The completion of the new building is also another significant step. We continue the good work of 2013 with iPads, Blackboard and blending the Australian Curriculum into the Padua Curriculum. We also commit ourselves to being a community of warmth, welcome and nurturing.

Best wishes for the year and good luck in 2014.

Pace e bene
Robert Out
Rector
To all our new parents at Padua - a Franciscan greeting, "Pax et Bonum" - may you experience peace, and all the good things in life for you! Welcome to my fortnightly commentary!

An ironic advocate for boys only schools is the American feminist Camille Paglia. She speaks of herself as "abrasive, strident and obnoxious". You can understand why when she claims "if civilisation had been left in female hands...we would still be living in grass huts."

She argues and laments that in western culture there is a softening, in our culture that begins in kindergarten, where primary school education is oppressive to anyone with physical energy, especially boys - "primary education does everything in its power to turn boys into neuters." The same point was made many years ago by Christina Hoff Sommers, a decade ago had written about the "war against boys." They cite the disturbing statistic that one in five high school boys are diagnosed with ADHD, and that today boys get poorer results than girls, and all less likely to go to university.

What is important for Paglia, among other things, is that boys play competitive sport, that boys are in teams, that boys are in the company of other boys, and good male teachers as role models. She sees the tacit elevation of 'female values' - such as sensitivity, socialisation and co-operation, at the expense of, rather than fostering creative energy and teaching hard geographical and historical facts. What models of manhood, she asks, are there for boys?

She is also concerned that men aren't the only ones suffering from a decline of men. Women, especially the comfortable middle-class have become "clones" condemned to "Pilates for the next 30 years." But read the savage wit of Maureen Dowd's Are Men Necessary. When Sexes Collide.
needs to be expressed in time with family, in tenderness and respect, in a father adoring his son's mother, the sacrifice of putting the family ahead of personal comfort.

Let us, as teachers and parents, never lose sight of the influence we can have for good in raising our young boys at Padua. They can become men of strength, manliness, gentleness, character, moral fibre and Christian conviction.

I pray that 2014 be a great year for our boys at Padua, and that new parents will experience the best in what it means to belong to the "Franciscan family".

Fr John

Student Absence

In the event a student is absent or is going to be absent, all families should prioritise contacting either:

- The College Absentee Line: 3857 99 00
- College Absentee Email: absent@padua.qld.edu.au or absence@padua.qld.edu.au

All Absentee information should come from a parent, guardian or carer. Students emailing their own absentee information will not be accepted.
From the Vice Rector Formation

Dear Padua Families

Welcome back to the 2014 School Year everyone! A very special Franciscan welcome to all our students and their families who have joined us this year. Even though the year is only very new we are off and running with many projects, events and outreach to kick off the year.

35 Years of St Francis as Patron of the Environment
In 1979, Pope John Paul II proclaimed St Francis as the official Patron Saint of Ecology and the Environment. This will be celebrated throughout the year in various ways. Most importantly, our College candle will be decorated with images of creation with the figure of Christ and the San Damiano Crucifix featured in its centre. Later this year, Blessed Pope John Paul II, along with Blessed Pope John XXIII will be made saints by Pope Francis in a ceremony in Rome. The relationship St Francis has with all of creation was so great that he called parts of it his brother and sister. 2014 will be a year for us to celebrate and focus on our treatment of our planet and our relationship with it.

2014 Little Kings Collection
It is the time of the year when we roll up our sleeves and help a very worthy organisation – the Little Kings Movement. The Little Kings are an organisation that gives respite to people and their families living with disability. They rely totally on public donation. Padua had long assisted the Little Kings through our involvement in their annual appeal. For the last three years running we have created and then broken the schools record for amounts collected. In 2013 we raised an astonishing $13 000! Dare we raise the bar in 2014?? $14 000 for 2014? You know – I think we can do it!

Boys are asked to collect only in their immediate streets over the next couple of weeks. The appeal will be officially launched at next week’s college assembly. Let’s go Padua!

Year 12 Camp
In the week beginning 10 February, Year 12 will commence their senior camp. A number of boys are still to return their paperwork and families have been notified this week of what is still required. Most importantly, I need at least 15 boys to swap from Camp 2 to Camp 1 to even up numbers. At this stage I call for volunteers. Should this request not be successful I will move students myself if necessary. This process will be completed by next Wednesday.

AIC Ecumenical Service
Next Wednesday, 5 February, Padua will host this year’s AIC Ecumenical Service to formally start the 2013 AIC Year of Competition. Principals, Heads of Sport and students from the eight participating AIC Colleges will
firstly gather in prayer in the Little Flower College and then enjoy refreshments and later meet together. Padua College is the host college for the AIC this year and as such will host a number of events during the year.

2014 Leader’s Commissioning Ceremony and College Assembly
Next Friday, 7 February, the Student Leaders for 2014 will be officially commissioned in the presence of the Fr Paul Smith OFM, Provincial Minister of the Franciscan Friars. At this ceremony our Year 12s will also be presented with their Senior Ties and Badges – symbols of their roles as leaders in the College. Year 5 students will be presented with a Padua Badge and House Badge as sign of welcome to their new school. This year’s Leaders have already attended Leadership Workshops during the holidays in preparation for their year ahead.

Following morning tea we will gather again for our first College Assembly. At this assembly we will, among other things, we will present our First Cricket and Volleyball Teams and also recognise the CIC 7A Cricket Team as they prepare for their first round of competition in 2014. A significant morning of recognition, accomplishment and spirit will be celebrated next Friday!

Padua Outreach
2013 was a big year of help and support generously given by the Paduan community to many outreach projects. Next week, we commence our year-long ministry of service with Rosies Street Van (monthly - Year 12), Oz Care Men’s Hostel (fortnightly - Yr 11) and Kedron Parish Good Samaritans (weekly - Yr 10). Volunteers will be required for all of these activities.

Wednesday Mass in the Parish
In 2013, Padua started a wonderful tradition of attending the 9.00 am Parish Mass on Wednesdays during term time. This practice will continue again in 2014 when classes on both the Greccio and Assisi Campuses will join a roster to attend this liturgy. As a member of the FOTH (Franciscan on the Hill) Community it is wonderful for us to celebrate the mass with the parishioner of Kedron. Once a month we hope to share a cuppa with the parishioners. You are most welcome to join us.

As we begin a new year together, I wish you all great peace and all good in 2014.

Michael O’Brien
The Teaching and Learning Team is very excited about the upcoming year and all that it will bring. We welcome new and existing families to the College and look forward to getting to know each and every one of you during your time with Padua.

2014 sees the Year 11 students as the first cohort to undertake the 6 subject structure. This means that they will have more time in the subjects and will also have a timetabled Literacy and Numeracy lesson each cycle. The Literacy and Numeracy programs have been designed to focus on a range of literacy and numeracy skills relevant to all of their subject.

We welcome Year 7 onto the Secondary campus this year for the very first time. The Core Teachers for Year 7 are Mr Chris Yeo, Mr Sean Graham and Mr Chris Humphrys. They are all experienced primary teachers and bring a wealth of Teaching and Learning experience to our Year 7 cohort.

Year 12 is always a busy year and this year is no exception. The focus of the Personal and Life Skills Lessons this year will be post school options and opportunities. For those boys on the OP pathway, the focus will be preparation for the QCS test. For those boys on the non-OP pathway, the focus will be the development of skill to assist them in their transition into post school life. I ask all Year 12 parents to pencil Wednesday, February 12 into their calendar for the Year 12 Parent Information Evening. This evening will be hosted by Mr Paul Mansfield, the Head of Curriculum 10-12 and myself and will provide parents with all of the relevant information they need in order to support their son through their final year of schooling.

2013 saw the introduction of new Teaching and Learning roles to the College. These include the restructuring of the Vice Rector Teaching and Learning position to encompass 5-12, and the introduction of a Head of Senior Studies, a Head of Curriculum 2-9 and a Head of Curriculum 10-12. While your son’s class teacher and the Head of Curriculum for the subject are always the first port of call should you have a subject specific inquiry, it is also important to know the functions of the other Teaching and Learning roles within the College. Please refer to the poster on the next page for a quick overview of who can assist you with what.

Communication is the most important starting point for any relationship and knowing exactly who to go to can assist this process.

Thank you in advance for your support for 2014.

Jason Pacey
Vice Rector Teaching and Learning
These are examples of the style of bag only – all bags will be same colour brown with Padua logo – the same as current back pack.
Please pay direct to the Padua Sports Activity Account:

Payments must be made by Monday 24 February

Team Trivia - Padua College. No team check, payment required.

Name your own or contact Sports Activity to arrange for a team of up to 8 players or maximum 12.

Example: 2 players (name, surname) - £5 per player

See brochure or contact Sports Activity for further information.

Friday 28 February

Trivia Night

10am - 10.30am
Dear Parents and Guardians,

That time has arrived! Welcome back to another school year on the Greccio Campus. For those we haven’t met yet our names are Mr Ty Casey (Year 5 Pastoral Guardian) and Mr Christopher Webb (Year 6 Pastoral Guardian). It will once again be an exciting year for the boys and staff alike.

Tuesday 28th saw the latest group of Year 5s pass through the gate for the first time. New uniforms, shiny shoes, nervous chatter and looks of excitement and awe were the underlying factors for the day. We wish those boys and their families are very warm welcome and all the best on the beginning of their Paduan journey.

To our Year 6 boys know doubt you are well rested and also looking forward to the challenges that lay ahead in 2014. It was fantastic to see all the familiar faces from 2013 and the joy of mates catching up for the first time in 2014. We welcome to our Year 6 staff 2 new members, Mr Mitchell Johns and Mrs Jill Jorgensen. We wish these new staff all the best as they join the Paduan community.

Collectively the staff and students we will be experiencing new surroundings and challenges as the year progresses. It is important to remember that all successes, big or small, are meaningful. Each boy will progress at his own rate, developing skills when he is ready. Preserving each child’s self-esteem and building a secure, respectful foundation for growth will always remain priorities in our classrooms.

This is one of our favorite times of the year because there is so much energy and excitement in the air. We love seeing old friends, making new ones and especially learning new things. As saying goes, ‘It’s about the journey, not the destination’.

Welcome back regards,

Ty Casey and Christopher Webb
Pastoral Guardians Greccio Campus
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Hello to Parents and Students of Kirby House,

Welcome back and I trust you all had a safe and holy Christmas. The delay to the start of the new school year has guaranteed that the first few weeks of Term One will be hectic. I encourage all students to settle into their routines as soon as possible to ensure a good start to the new year. I am hopeful all Kirby students will contribute to the House this year by participating in as many co-curricular events throughout the year as possible. Contribution to Kirby and Padua also extends to attendance at all House and School Carnivals throughout the year. There will be a strong push again this year from me to get 100% attendance at all our House events. Each and every student's attendance at these carnivals gives Kirby House the best possible chance to be successful in 2014. I have a very good feeling about this year and our four student leaders in Kirby should ensure a very positive culture for 2014.

Lastly, I would like to wish the best of luck to our Yr 8 and Yr 12 students who head off to camp over the next fortnight. I am sure all will have positive experiences that will last a lifetime. For the Yr 12 students, enjoy your last Padua camp with your friends and cherish all the memories as this year will go by very quickly. To our Kirby seniors I challenge you all to stand up this year and expand on the great work done by the Kirby Seniors of 2013. You all have the opportunity to model to the younger students what it means to be a Padua and Kirby student. Make your last year at Padua one to remember and leave a positive legacy that will last.

Sincerely

Chris O’Shea
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**Padua College P & F Function**

Tuesday 11 February 2014

7.30pm

In La Foresta
**Wilton Grange Junior AFL Club Sign On Days - Feb 8th & 9th**
Gorillas Den, Hickey Park, Babarra Street, Stafford.
Saturday and Sunday 8th and 9th February
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