Dear Parents

As you would be aware from the media ‘hype’, the 2014 NAPLAN results were released this week. Parents of Year 5,7 and 9 students will receive their son’s individual results in the very near future. The NAPLAN tests were introduced to provide a snapshot of where Australian students are placed in literacy and numeracy at a particular point in time. This snapshot seems to be the primary focus of the media and politicians. When the tests were introduced, the school starting age of students and the State curricula were all different. To a certain extent, there are still some anomalies but the introduction of the Australian Curriculum and changes to the school starting age in some states have now meant that the results of the NAPLAN tests are becoming more meaningful and that their most important purpose, the diagnostic evaluation of student progress over time and the effectiveness of school programs, is becoming much more useful.

Padua College’s results in the NAPLAN tests are available on the College website http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/teaching-and-learning/assessment-and-academic-achievements/academic-achievements/. In order to demonstrate the usefulness of these tests, I would like to draw parents to the following data.
The tables on the previous page represent the NAPLAN results over the last four and half years of our current cohort of Year 9 students. From these results, it can be seen that, as a cohort, they have always exceeded the State and National means. It can also be determined the degree to which they have improved as they have progressed through the Year levels. It needs to be remembered that half the cohort came in Year 8. The consistency in performance and improvement is a validation of the teaching programs and teachers over that time.

These two tables show the progress of our current Year 7s, who, by and large, have remained the same for the last two and a half years. In 2012, the cohort was above all the State means but below the National means in four out of the five areas tested. This year, the cohort is above all the State and National means bar one—spelling, in which they are just below. Clearly, there has been a strong improvement—once again a testimony to the teachers and teaching programs and the hard work of the students. It is also clear that more work needs to be done in the area of spelling.

Clearly, NAPLAN tests are a useful indicator to schools about the quality of their teachers and teaching programs. There is even more use to be gained from the extra data provided to schools from these tests. Therefore, far from being the ‘ogre’ of education, NAPLAN tests can be very
useful. Schools and parents need to understand the usefulness of the data provided and use that information to the educational benefit of the children in their care.

When Padua introduced the iPad program to the school, it was advertised as a two year program. It was always intended that the program be evaluated and any changes to be made would be communicated in good time to the community. At this point, we are happy to continue with the program for at least one more year. We are currently undertaking a review of our IT program and resources but there will be no significant changes until 2015. Therefore, students will retain their current iPads and new students will be asked to provide their own iPad according to the school’s specifications.

Over the last fortnight, our Senior Debating teams have been contesting the finals of the QDU Debating Competition. Unfortunately, they have been eliminated from the competition, but the boys are to be commended on their wonderful results and applauded for their performances. Equally, the Theatre Sports students are to be commended on their performance in the finals. Whilst they were defeated, for a young and inexperienced team, they did very well. They can confidently look forward to more success in the future. Many thanks to the staff for their hard work with the boys and the supporters for their time and encouragement. All of you have made Padua proud!

The term rolls on with important events to be held and important decisions to be made by Year 8, 10 and 12 students. Many thanks to the parents who have attended parent information nights. Next Friday, 29 August, the Santa Croce Building and Piazza will be officially blessed and opened. Any parents, who are available at 2.00pm, are welcome to attend. Best wishes for the next fortnight.

Pace e bene
Robert Out
Rector
Rome, Assisi, Padua, Florence, Venice, Milan! In just over a month 31 young Paduans will make a pilgrimage to these holy places filled with the spirit of Saint Francis.

In Assisi, we will take the journey that leads us to The Basilica of Saint Francis - as large and impressive as Francis himself was small and un-prepossessing. The irony that a graceful, majestic and gorgeously decorated building, by some of the greatest artists of medieval Europe, seems in contrast to the devotion to poverty and simplicity that Francis created with his "little brothers" - the Franciscan order.

This Assisi Basilica was the creation of the first Franciscan Pope, Nicholas IV. He was the first of a long list of Franciscan popes who through art, architecture, and urban planning sought to transmit the spiritual value of beauty. Other Franciscan popes were Sixtus IV who built the Sistine Chapel, Julius II who requested Michelangelo to decorate it, and Sixtus V who moved four Roman obelisks to their present locations.

On my first visit to France, many years ago, I visited the Cathedral at Chartres. What an experience! Approaching by car, I could hear the bells ring and then before me, the incredibly beautiful statues on the facade. I gradually entered the church, the ambience, the atmosphere spoke in powerful terms to me of the "transcendence" - and I wondered if any atheist could leave such a building without believing in God. All my senses - the colour, the sounds, the music and art, spoke to me of something bigger and much grander than my small life.

**Beauty** does have a power over us - to take us out of ourselves, to move us to another dimension beyond our own lives, our own concerns, and our own petty preoccupations.

I hope that our pilgrims will experience the **beauty** of Saint Peter's Basilica, St John Lateran Cathedral, the Basilicas of St Francis, St Clare, the Church of San Croce in Florence, and the Duomos in Florence and Milan, as well as the Basilica of St Anthony in Padua.
TEAMWORK

It doesn’t matter whether you are in a rugby or basketball team, a school choir, or working together on an academic project - healthy teamwork is an essential ingredient.

It is fundamentally about coming together, working together for the sake of the team, and working together to achieve the same result.

An effective team is in place when the individual strengths and skills of the individual team members are combined in the pursuit of a common direction or cause. Everyone in the team respects one another, listens to one another, and has his/her contribution taken seriously.

The French language has a wonderful phrase for team work - esprit de corps. The spirit of the group that makes the members of the team want to succeed. There is a sense of unity, of energy, enthusiasm, dedicated discipline and hard work, with shared common interests and responsibilities.

In team work there can be no spectators, none who just commit themselves when it suits them - all must work together for the whole of the project, and for the whole of the season!
PADUA COLLEGE IPAD APP

Our very own iPhone/iPad and Android App is now available from the App store and Google play as a free download.

This app is designed to allow students and parents to access information about events and daily activities at the school. It will be updated daily to ensure that the information provided is the most current and up-to-date available.

- **HAVE THE SPORTS FIXTURES BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO BAD WEATHER? THE NOTICE SECTION OF THE APP WILL TELL YOU.**

- **NEED TO CHECK ON THE VENUE AND START TIME OF SPEECH NIGHT? THE CALENDAR IN THE APP WILL HOLD THIS INFORMATION.**

You do not need to receive everything!

One of the features of this app is that you can sign up for only those notices and events that you wish to know about. So, if your child is in Year 5, you can choose to receive only Junior school information on the app, and not any information for Senior School parents. There is a notice on the app to assist you with setting up this feature - just look at the notice section! We trust that you will enjoy the convenience that this app will bring you.

To download the Padua College App please follow the instructions on the College website http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/technology/padua-college-app/padua-college-app/
From the Pastoral Care Team

**Year 7 Camps**

Good luck to all students on the Year 7 Camp this week. We look forward to hearing of their outdoor adventures upon their return.

**Year 11 Leadership**

Over the last 2 terms, the students of Year 11 have been participating in an extended leadership program as part of their Personal and Life Skills Course. The program aims to provide each boy with a greater understanding of community leadership and ready him for the Year 11 Leadership Camp later this term. For this first time, the Year 11 boys have been offered the opportunity to complete a “Padua College Leadership Diploma,” recognising their holistic achievements as young leaders of our College. Students who have obtained this award will be eligible to be selected to address the staff and Year 11s at the student leader nominees address next Wednesday afternoon. We wish these students all the best in their preparation for this address and congratulate all students on their progress in this program.

**College Bags**

Families are reminded that all students from Year 5-11 are now expected to have purchased and be now using one of the two Padua school bags available from the uniform shop. PC teachers will begin monitoring this expectation in the coming weeks.

**Student Attendance Register – Procedural Reminders**

Could I take this opportunity to remind all families of the College procedures around students who arrive late or depart early from school:

All students who arrive late to school at any time are expected to bring an accompanying note from a parent or guardian or to provide email correspondence to late@padua.qld.edu.au from a parent or guardian’s email account. Alternatively, a phone call to the Pastoral Care Centre on 3857 9981 advising of a student’s late attendance is also appropriate.

Any student attending an FCIP lesson, instrumental lesson or Mt Alvernia Drama lesson now needs to sign in and out from an Attendance Register (located on both campuses) on their way to and from their lesson.

Early departure from a normal school day should only be in the event of an unavoidable circumstance. In the event a student is required to depart early from Padua, families are asked to please ensure they allow at least 5-10 minutes processing time for their son to leave class and sign out before he departs the College.
In line with these new processes, any student who arrives late, without a note, will be required to meet a Guardian at lunch time to explain their late attendance. Should their reason be deemed valid by the Guardian (e.g. There was a traffic accident on the way to school and mum could not write a note), then the Guardian will simply send the student on their way without consequence. Should the reason be invalid, then the student will complete a lunch time detention with the relevant Guardian. This conversation between the Guardian and the student allows a teacher in a pastoral position to monitor and address issues of attendance and punctuality and where appropriate, follow up with parents.

_This process aims not to punish or delay parents, but to teach students to be accountable for their own punctuality and develop good pre-employment habits._

**Parenting Tip Term 3**

(Frame the Problem as a Challenge)

_“Frame the difficulty as a challenge rather than a problem. Boys take their cues from their parents, so the frame of ‘challenge’ provides an opportunity for a boy to rise to as opposed to be overwhelmed by!”_

**Student Absence**

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

- The College Absentee Telephone 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.
Dear Families

With the Ekka break now behind us we make our way towards the end of the term. May the next few weeks treat every Padua Family kindly as we go.

**2014 Catholic Education Week**

When the last Bulletin went to print we were concluding our celebrations for Catholic Education Week (CEW). A successful Winter Sleepout was staged with 17 Year 6 boys and Greccio staff members - Ms Moffatt, Mrs Perrers and Mrs Jorgensen - and 25 Years 10, 11 and 12 boys with Mr Chris O'Shea and myself. Guest speakers from Mini Vinnes, the Kedron St Vincent de Paul Society and Rosie’s Street Vans spoke to the boys about the issues of homelessness and how that affects us even in the north side of Brisbane. The boys thought it was a unique learning experience for them. A big thanks to Mrs Gatt for her wonderful soup, Ms Mantini for her warm milo and Mr Anderton, Ms Crawford and Mr Butler for visiting during the night.

Two Can Day on the Friday of CEW was another hugely successful community event. Many boys brought in more than two cans of food. Some of this will be donated to the Rosie’s Logan Van where it will be put into Emergency Packs given to patrons of the van along with some toiletry items. Thanks also to the many donations of blankets and clothing that keep coming in from time to time. All of these make their way to either the Logan or Brisbane City Rosie’s Vans each time we go out. They are always greatly received.

**Red Cross Blood Van**

In this Bulletin, I am pleased to announce that the Red Cross Blood Van is making a return to Padua in October. Boys aged from 16 years can donate their blood. Changes to the rules for donation has meant that the mobile blood vans will only visit schools once a year and so I hope that many boys who are eligible will take this opportunity to give a wonderful gift of themselves to those in need. For every single donation up to three lives can saved!

Every boy in Years 10, 11 and 12 has been emailed with information about blood donation and a Parent Consent Form. The Consent Form needs to be completed and returned to Mrs Farry in the PC Centre. If your son is a first time donor an Enrolment Form is also required which can be collected from Mrs Farry. She can also email this form as well if requested. Your support and encouragement in this outreach would be greatly appreciated.
Please note, also, that parents and Old Boys of the College are welcome to make an appointment and should ring Mrs Farry in the PC Centre on 3857 9982.

**Camp Gallipoli – 100 Years Commemorating ANZAC Day**

As you would be aware, Australia is preparing to celebrate the historic milestone in our history. In October, four Senior students and some staff will be participating in a 100 km walking relay sponsored by the Kedron-Wavell RSL Sub-Branch.

On the eve of ANZAC Day 2015, a national event will take place in every capital city in Australia known as ‘Camp Gallipoli’. In Brisbane this event will take place at the RNA Showgrounds with a maximum of 7000 people participating. It will incorporate a massive sleep out, entertainment, documentaries and a first release feature film based around the events of Gallipoli will be shown. At 6.00 am everyone will participate in a moving Dawn Service to conclude the occasion. This will be a unique event rivaling Sydney’s World Youth Day in atmosphere and participation. Schools are being allocated a maximum of 350 places.

Padua’s Senior Leadership Team has decided that all Year 9 students will be attending because it ties in with their History Study of World War One. Other students and staff will be invited to attend also. Further information will be emailed to families in the coming days. A registration of interest will be required within the next fortnight. Come and join in the spirit of ANZAC in a once in a lifetime event.

One of prayers this week on the Morning Notices asked for God to give us the strength to continue to be ‘people of quality’. Padua is enriched and blessed with a community filled with such people!

Peace and all good.

**Michael O’Brien**

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**Calling all Knitters**

Come join the Padua Knitting Circle and help knit beanies and scarves for the Padua College Community Outreach Program.

**WHEN:** 9:30am - 10:30am
**1st Tuesday of each month, commencing 2nd September**
**WHERE:** SFH Lunch Room
**BYO knitting needles and wool**

Enquiries to Pastoral Care Centre 3857 9982

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From the Vice Rector Formation

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Academic Assembly – Friday 8th August 2014

Thank you to the many parents who attended the Academic Assembly to see their son receive an Academic Award. There is only one level of awards given at this assembly and the criteria is as follows:

- Years 5 – 8 require at least 6 A grades out of a total of 9 subjects
- Years 9 and 10 require at least 5 A grades out of a total of 8 subjects
- Year 11 require at least 4 A grades out of a total of 6 subjects
- Year 12 require at least 4 A grades out of a total of 7 subjects

The guest speaker for the Academic Assembly was Dr Rowan Brunello. Dr Brunello is an old boy of the College, having attended Padua from 1985 through until his graduation in 1992. After completing a Bachelor of Applied Science specialising in Human Movement Studies in 1997 at the University of Queensland, he then went on to graduate with a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery in 2001, graduating with Honours. In 2010, Dr Brunello awarded a Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons in Orthopedics and has been awarded clinical fellowships in both the United Kingdom and the United States. He is currently in private practice at the Wesley Orthopaedic Clinic and visits the Royal Brisbane and The prince Charles Hospitals as a visiting Specialist. During his time at the College, Dr Brunello was a keen sportsman who was selected as an Australian and Queensland U17 Rugby League Representative in 1993, as a Queensland Students Rugby League Representative in 1995 and as a Queensland Metropolitan Rugby Union Representative in 1996. Dr Brunello spoke about the importance of intrinsic motivation and I would like to again thank him for being so generous with his time.

Academic Awards for Semester 1 2014

A big congratulations must go to all students who received and Academic Award, but a special mention must be given to those who received straight A’s across all of their subjects. Those students are: Fraser Rigby in Year 6; Joshua McBay in Year 7; Flynn Pearman in Year 8; Joshua Morris in Year 9 and; Michael Hinds in Year 11. The Academic Award winners for Semester 1 2014 are:

**Year 5** – Charles Bergman, Finn Cox, Connor Drummond, Harrison Mitic, Rhys Neuendorf, Jack Newitt, Joshua Pan, Hamish Reid, Michael Smith, Matt Taylor, Max Vogelaar,


**Year 7** – Joshua McBay, Mason Wilson

**Year 8** – Jewel Ajimon, Finley Caldwell, Juan Joseph, Matteo Marini, Daniel Paddison, Flynn Pearman, Rhys West

**Year 9** – Ronan Brady, Thomas Brandt, Daniel Caulfield, Emil Chandran, Dominic Cotter, Ryan Holding, Daniel Howard, Nicholas Ilili, Robert Nicholas Kerruish, Kyle McLennan, Daniel Mirfin, Joshua Morris, Thomas Peut, Harry Swoby, Brian Tin, Sebastian Waloszek, Ashley Whyte

**Year 10** – Jai Banala, Zachary Bell, Ethan Down, Rhys Hoole, Alexander Lloyd, Lachlan McGrory, Sean Oudendyn, Albert Shauryamackal

**Year 11** – Thomas Fall, Lawrence Garufi, Michael Hinds, Michael O’Shea

**Year 12** – Daniel Aker, Daniele Antonaglia, Emile Dawalibi, Samuel Falkon, Heath Gabbett, Rowan Herklots, Mitchell Langford, Joseph Moroney, Gurkirat Shergill, Jack Taylor, Hayden Wall, James Weston, Nathan Wilson, Jeff Zhou

Academic Awards at Padua College

Padua College has three formal occasions where student awards are recognized.
At the beginning of each Semester, we have an Academic Awards Assembly where we recognize student academic performance for the previous semester. While parents are not formally invited to these assemblies, they are of course, always welcome. The main event in terms of Academic Awards comes in our annual Padua Prize Giving Evening, which this year, will be held on Wednesday the 19th of November. At this event, parents are formally invited and the Academic Awards are based on cumulative results up to the first week of Term 4. Academic Awards at the Prize Giving Evening are awarded in three categories: Gold, Silver and Bronze.

**Congratulations to our Theatre Sports Finalists**

After making its way through the preliminary round and the semi-finals, one of Padua’s two theatre Sports teams consisting of Ethan Down, Tom O’Toole Daniel Quaglia and Cordell Retchless qualified for the finals held on Monday the 18th of August at the Brisbane Power House. A big congratulations must go to these boys and their coaches, Kristen Griggs and Dominic Thurlow. The finals were attended by quite a few staff and students and the support for the boys was outstanding. The Padua team performed well and it was great to see the Nest make its way to the Brisbane Powerhouse. St Patrick’s were the winners on the night with a consistent performance throughout.

**Mooting at Padua**

Congratulations to our Mooting Team who made the finals in the Bond University Mooting Competition. The team coached by Steve Fields performed very well in both the preliminaries and the finals and are to be congratulated for their efforts. The team consisted of Heath Gabbett, Dan McLindon and Tyler Stasic.

**QCS Preparation**

40 Year 12 students attended a voluntary QCS preparation event conducted on Monday the 18th of August. This show quite a commitment on the part of those who attended. A big thank you must go to Ms Trish Dwyer for organising the event and providing another opportunity for our Year 12 students to access support in preparation for the QCS testing in September.

**AUSTRALIAN SPACE DESIGN NEWS**

You may recall hearing the exciting news late last year of our 2013 JSDC (Junior Space Design Competition) & ASDC (Australian Space Design Competition) Teams successes in their respective 2013 competitions. Our JSDC Team were placed in the top 5 Australian Primary School entries, and were invited to attend the judging of the finalists entries at the Brisbane Planetarium in late November, 2013. Our ASDC Team were placed in the top 8 Australian Secondary School entries (for the 5th consecutive year), and this qualified the team to compete at the Australian Space Design Competition National Finals at UQ in late January 2014.

As a result of this, and our team’s performance in the finals, Padua College was offered 2 places on the 2014 International Space Settlement Design Competition (ISSDC) Australian Team to embark on a 2 week educational tour of the USA, focussing on Space Travel, Science, American History and the ISSDC Finals. Dominik Prgomet (2013 senior) and Oliver Collins (Yr 11, 2014) were selected to represent Padua on the Australian Team.

The team departed on 17 July bound for Washington DC, New York, and Orlando (Florida). The tour culminated in our Australian students competing at the ISSDC Finals at Kennedy Space Centre, Cape Canaveral, Florida in late July, where the 3-day 2014 International Space Settlement Design Competition Final was held. Our Padua students were part of a 48-member international team that were very creditable runners-up.

On their return to Australia, the Queensland student members of the Australian team were invited to Parliament House for a morning tea held in their honour with the State Minister for Science, IT, Innovation & the Arts, Hon Ian Walker, and Premier Campbell Newman (see photo below). Congratulations to Dominik and Oliver and their outstanding achievement, and for being excellent ambassadors for Padua College throughout their USA tour!
2014 AUSTRALIAN SPACE DESIGN COMPETITION (ASDC) & 2014 JUNIOR SPACE DESIGN COMPETITION (JSDC)

The annual ASDC and JSDC competitions are well under way, having commenced in early Term 2, with ever-growing numbers of entries from Primary and Secondary schools across Australia.

On the back of Padua College’s very first win at the ASDC National Finals in January 2013, and our continued success in the 2013 season in both ASDC and JSDC, the interest these competitions have generated at Padua has been nothing short of phenomenal. Our students can’t get enough of Space Travel, Space Settlements and all things Space-related.

Our ASDC team has grown in size from 10 students in 2010 to 45 students in 2014. Our JSDC team has already grown from a single team of 3 students in 2013 to 16 teams of 4 students (64 student’s total) in 2014. And staff interest and support has grown from 1 teacher in 2010 to a team of 6 teachers in 2014.

My sincere thanks goes to Mrs Kathy Hodge (Yr 5-6 teams coach), Ms Sarah Young and Ms Courtney Crawford (Yr 7-8 team coaches) for their generous support of our JSDC teams. My sincere thanks also goes to Ms Colleen Fairhead and Ms Lizzy Mathai for their coaching and generous support of our ASDC team. Sincere thanks also goes to our ASDC Alumni members – Anthony Briggs, Alex McManus, David De Innocentis, David Wall, Sebastian Sherry, and Tim Hojinik for their continued support of our ASDC team.

We wish our 2014 JSDC & ASDC Teams every success as their projects head towards completion near the end of Term 3 & early Term 4 respectively. Stayed tuned for further news in a later bulletin.....

Peter Morris
ASDC & JSDC Head Coach/Manager
Padua College

2013 ISSDC AUSTRALIAN TEAM (6 PADUA STUDENT MEMBERS)
Greccio Library Greetings

With September a matter of weeks away, our Book Week celebrations are fast approaching (Week 8, 1-5 September). This a week devoted to celebrating books, the love of reading, and our talented Australian authors and illustrators.

Students will be participating in a number of activities and events including Readers Cup for Yr 6, Trivia Quizzes for Year 5, a book parade, book swap opportunity, art and craft activities, and a visit by talented Australian author, Pat Flynn.

For the first time in a number of years, Greccio Campus is also hosting a Book Fair. Students will have an opportunity to view the Fair on Friday, 29 August with sales opening Monday 1 September. More details regarding the Book Fair follow.

**Dates you may like to include on your calendar:**

**Book Fair:** Friday 29 August - Thursday 4 September

**Open for viewing:** Fri 29 August

**Open for sales:** 8-8:30am, 3:10-4pm; Monday 1 Sep until Thursday 4 Sep

**Author Visit:** Tuesday 2 September

Popular Queensland author, Pat Flynn is visiting the school for the day on Tuesday. He’ll be talking to Greccio students about the writing process and his very popular novels. Autographed copies of Pat’s books may be ordered by email from now until Sun 31 Aug. Please see the flyer included in the bulletin for more information about ordering and payment. This information is also available on Blackboard via the Greccio Library page.

**Book Parade:** Thursday 4 September: 8.45am-9.40am

Staff and students are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character. We are encouraging everyone to be creative with their costume ideas (please note, there is no requirement to hire or buy costumes). Prizes will be awarded in each class for the most creative costume. Parents are most welcome to stay for the parade.

**Year 6 Readers Cup:** Friday 5 September

Please continue to support and encourage your son/s with their Readers Cup efforts. To be ready for the Cup, students should be reading and taking notes for their second book now.

**NB:** Year 7 Readers Cup is booked in for Week 10, Thursday 18 September

**Book Swap opportunity**

A note explaining details of the ‘Great Greccio Book Swap’ will be given to Greccio students this week. This is a fundraising initiative to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. For a gold coin donation, participating students will have the opportunity to swap preloved novels.

Thank you for your continued support, and please feel free to contact the library team if we can help in any way,

Claire-Louise, Naomi and Helen
cperrers@padua.qld.edu.au
From the Greccio Campus
Year 12 Certificates in Construction and Engineering:

Boys in these courses are nearing the end of their study in these subjects. Instructors will soon be signing them off as to whether they have achieved competency in the course modules.

Students who are not deemed competent will NOT receive a certificate but will receive a statement of attainment listing which modules they have successfully passed.

Those boys doing construction who have missed sessions at Salisbury due to sporting tours or illness will have to make up this time in the September holidays between September 22 and October 3rd.

Year 12 First Aid course:

A small number of students who require a first aid module as part of their certificate studies will be doing a full day of instruction on Thursday, August 21st. Boys involved in this have been notified via email. The cost of $35 is payable before the day via the College website.

SkillsTech schools courses for 2015:

Year 11 students interested in the non OP industrial pathway can apply to SkillsTech to do certificates in these trades:

- Electrotechnology (electrical)
- Plumbing
- Automotive

Applications are now open. The course guide booklet and application forms are accessible to students via Blackboard under the Community tab.

They should also be available on the College website very soon.

**All applications must be returned to me for submission to SkillsTech.**

TAFE non trade courses 2015:

The latest booklet from TAFE is due out any day now. As soon as I have information on the non trade courses I will advertise to students and also in this bulletin.

Changes to Government funding for apprenticeships:

New funding arrangements are now in place for apprenticeships, including school based.

The “tools for trade” bonuses have been replaced by “trade support loans”.

“These loans provide up to $20,000 for apprentices in priority areas to assist them with the costs of living and learning while undertaking an apprenticeship. A 20% discount is applied on the amount borrowed when the apprentice successfully completes their apprenticeship.

Apprentices are required to repay the loans through the tax system when their income meets the income repayment threshold.”

A fact sheet will be on the College website shortly, or you can look online at:

Trade loan fact sheet link:

New school based apprentices:

Congratulations to these boys for becoming school based apprentices:

- Louis Schwenke, carpentry
- Ricardo Antonelli, electrical
- Lawson Creighton, electrical
- Alex Bowman, electrical
- Jamie Salamone, plumbing
- Dominic Burchill, carpentry
- Louis Boscaino, carpentry
- Mitchell Herbert, carpentry
- Julian Trombett, carpentry
- Sean Gardiner, plumbing

Skills Tech Trade Course Guide & Program Nomination form


2015 TAFE at School Program Guide

http://tafebrisbane-tafeatschool.cmail1.com/t/ViewEmail/d/A7424B47C87CE066/CCC725CED133F63FC68C6A341B5D209E

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Mitchell House

After yet another Padua dash win, Mitchell house was on cloud nine coming in to the athletics carnival. A new look carnival left everyone questioning how the carnivals would be run, but in the end, they proved to be a success.

It began on Thursday 7th with the grade 5-8 carnival. At the conclusion of this carnival Mitchell had placed 4th. This result was achieved with the help of some outstanding individual performances. Mitchell dominated the Under 11 age group with Max Johnson coming third and Scott Pringle the runner up in the age championship.

By Thursday night, the word had got out that the older boys had some work to do if we wanted to secure a win. Friday began with a grand entrance; James pulling Zeus Nicholson in on the chariot, lightning bolt in hand, to greet his men preparing for battle. The boys remembered back to the assembly in which Mr Nicholson explained how Mitchell men are direct descendants of the Greek king of gods, Zeus. We remembered the times of our forefathers competing in the ancient Olympics and this drove them to perform. Excellent results in the house events, along with spectacular efforts in the championship events saw Mitchell take out first place. Again, we had boys placing in the top three in their respective age championship. Harrison Hunt placed third in Under 14, Rhys Kelly pulling off runner up in the Under 16’s, Michael Cheer taking out the Under 15 championship and Zac O’Donnell winning the Open division.

With a 4th and a 1st placing in the two carnivals, the overall result was looking good. Mitchell came out of the athletics carnivals in a very respectable second place. I would like to congratulate all of the men in Mitchell house for their efforts over the two days. Athletics is typically known as an individual sport, but working as a cohesive unit on these days is what got us the top 2 finish.

I would like to thank Mr Gray for building the chariot and the staff involved in organising the two days. The new look carnivals were definitely a success.

Alister Wiseman
The FCIP would like to thank the large number of instrumental students who applied to audition for this year’s important Alan and Joan Napier Family Instrumental Music Bursary. The standard of performance by applicants was surprisingly high and staff took considerable time discussing each applicants audition to select the winners.

The FCIP would like to congratulate the winners of the 2014 Napier Family Music Bursary – **Matteo Marini (Year 8) and Ethan Carey (Year 10)** and thank them for their excellent presentations.

For information on next year’s Napier Family Instrumental Bursary or for other information please visit the website:


**Mr Chris Dodemont**  
Head of Instrumental Music

Padua College  
80 Turner Rd, Kedron Q 4031  
Ph: (07) 3857 9978  
Email: cdodemont@padua.qld.edu.au
Padua Students in the Met North Team with coach Mr Graham.

State Champions!

Congratulations!!
Volunteers

Please help

We are still looking for some community spirited parents, who would like to assist Padua into the future by coordinating the canteen at Banyo.

admin@padua.qld.edu.au
The time has come...

**PADUA MUM’S WEEKEND**

Tickets on sale
**Friday 29th August**

Registration and payment through College Website - News & Events – School Calendar
Click on the event on the school calendar and it will take you to the registration page. Registration is not completed until payment has been made. Please note the maximum number of people for this event is 45 with a wait list of only 5. No cancellation or refunds.

Cost $120 & includes...
- High Tea with Champagne
- Site Tour, Pre-dinner drinks and nibbles
- 3 Course Dinner, Buffet breakfast on Sunday morning
- Accommodation

**Saturday 25th October, 2014 @ Amaroo (Padua’s Outdoor Education Centre)**

**NB: Tickets are ONLY available via the website. Please do not call the College to book tickets.**
To register for an event online:

1. News & Events
2. School Events Calendar
3. Event Registration
4. Complete registration details
5. ‘Register’ & complete payment details

# 2014 Term Dates

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# Provisional 2015 Term Dates

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K Francey
E Miano
M Barbour

Tuesday 26th August
D Syrett
L Boccalatte
J Hennessey
K Wilson

Wednesday 27th August
T Battams
M Fuller
N Pelusi
C Miles

Thursday 28th August
G Chirico
Z Salomone
W Andrews

Friday 29th August
S Novak
A Harding
S Preston
K French

Monday 1st September
N Andrew
J Scovell
R Bannerman
A La Rocca

Tuesday 2nd September
K Corbett
A Fisk
J Sinclair
A Cavanough

Wednesday 3rd September
Z Hanuman
C Cuppo
R Bruncker
M Ainsworth

Thursday 4th September
L Millard
S Roberts
L Jones
S Usher

Friday 5th September
N Mahoney
L Pitts
C Bishop
D Seminara
At the end of this year I will have completed my second year as President of the Padua College P&F, under the constitution the role of President is a 2 year term. So the position is up for renewal and a new president must be nominated or elected.

Vacant Position 2015

President

Padua College Parent and Friends Association

Padua College Parents & Friends Association extends across Greccio and Assisi campuses, providing parent representation through the P&F committee on school matters, as well as providing support through Pastoral Care and social opportunity across the FOTH Colleges.

As Padua College P&F Association President you will lead the P&F Committee in:

• fostering goodwill between parents, staff, students and the community
• seeking to financially support the key initiatives of the College.
• representing a considered voice of P&F members to the College
• maintaining social opportunity between FOTH Colleges
• actively promoting the aims and objectives of the College

If you are interested in finding out more about this opportunity please contact me on 0401 006 736.

DATE CLAIMERS

P&F General Meeting 9 September 2014
P&F General Meeting 14 October 2014
P&F Volunteers Thank You Function 17 October 2014
P&F Annual General Meeting 11 November 2014

Regards

Karen Caughey
President
Thank You Volunteers!

Save the date!

Please keep Friday 17th October available to attend the Padua College P&F Thank You Volunteers evening. It will commence at 6pm. More information closer to the date.
HOUSE EUCHARIST VOLUNTEERS
Dear Parents/Guardians (Yrs 7-12)

As a part of our Padua College “Pastoral Parent Care Program” (PPCC), we arrange volunteers for each Eucharist. The House Committee is a subcommittee for the Padua P&F Association. It is our aim to bring families together to "enhance the Franciscan values of hospitality and welcome". We have formed a House Committee for the Pastoral Parent Care Program Committee.

Attention Mitchell House, we are looking for volunteers join the House Committee to help serve Supper at Kirby Eucharist. Volunteers are required assist from 7.30-9.00pm in the tuckshop.

Mitchell parents that wish to assist with the Mitchell House Committee members at Kirby House Eucharist on the 28 August 2014, please fill in the following form.

Traditionally, families attend the Eucharist provide a plate of food for supper. While the families were enjoying the Eucharist in the Little Flower Church volunteers from another House & their Committee were helping with setting up for supper.

Future 2014 House Eucharist Dates
28 August Kirby House Eucharist - Mitchell Volunteers set up & clean up supper
15 October Odoric House Eucharist- Grigg Volunteers set up & clean up supper
28 October Grigg House Eucharist- Odoric Volunteers set up & clean up supper

For those whom wish to volunteer at any of this future House Eucharist please tick to indicate on the following form if you would like to Volunteer and return the main office or via email admin@padua.qld.edu.au

Year Level/House Contact List
At the beginning of the each year we request contact details from all families and compile a list for each year. A year/house contact list is then distributed to each family with boys in the same year. Many parents find this a useful reference, particularly when trying to coordinate sporting event car pools and the like.

Please note it is optional to be on this list.

Please return the Form(s) to the office or via email admin@padua.qld.edu.au it is preferable the form(s) are returned as soon as possible or submit the form at the next P & F meeting held on Tuesday 9 September 2014. For more details about Pastoral Care at both Greccio and Assisi’s Committee activities and House Eucharist volunteer groups.
We look forward to catching up with you throughout 2014 or see you at next P & F Meeting held on Tuesday 9 September.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Dianna (Di) Morris
2014 Pastoral Parent Care Coordinator Assisi Campus

Erica Patterson
2014 Pastoral Parent Care Coordinator Greccio Campus
Dear Parents/Guardians (yrs 7-12),

As a part of our School College Pastoral Care Program (PCP), we arrange volunteers for each Eucharist. The PCEC (Pastoral Care and Education Committee) is in charge of allocating the volunteers for the Eucharist attendance. The Parent Pastoral Care Committee (PPCC) is responsible for organizing the volunteers for the Eucharist.

Please ensure that your child attends Mass on a regular basis.

Thank you for your support.

Parent Pastoral Care Coordinator

PPCC
LITTLE FLOWER JUNIOR OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Do you need care for your children before school or after school or during vacations? Help is available. There are limited positions available at the Outside School Hours Care facility based within the classrooms and grounds of St Anthony’s and Padua Junior.

Little Flower Outside School Hours Care has been successfully caring for school age children for many years and is staffed by well trained, caring Educators.

At the Junior Service We have all spent a lovely week with activities firmly focused on the Ekka and Sports Day. Have you found time to admire the pillows made for the homeless by your children? These small pillows will be donated to the St Vincent De Paul Society next week.

Little Flower will as usual be running a vacation care program for the September/October holidays from 22/09/2014-3/10/2014 we cater for all ages at the St Anthony’s School Campus. The program has been written and will be emailed out shortly. Don’t miss the cut off date 11/09/2014, get your bookings back to either the Junior Campus at kedronoshc@one.centacare.net.au or the Senior Campus paduaoshc@one.centacare.net.au. Any bookings received after this date will be charged at the usual rate.

Little Flower School Age Care will be running the Christmas Vacation Care Program up to and including the 24/12/2014, we will then close for 3 weeks and reopen in January.

At the Senior Service the children were having Ekka fun with a treasure hunt. They made paper aeroplanes and had a contest flying them. They had lots of puzzle fun as well as playing rolling Labyrinth. The children love using the construction set and build the most marvellous creations.

The children also played shin ball, baseball as well as heaps of relays.

Please remember to call or email if your child isn’t going to attending their booked day or if you need to change your care requirements so that we can email you the "Request to Change Permanent Booking Form".

Please remember parents that you must sign for all absences on the attendance register, it is understandable that you may forget when your child is absent on a pre-booked day but these days must be signed for.

If you require care for your children please call 3861 0956 and speak to our Administration Officer, Carol about available places at before and after school care.
Hey Year 12 Mums,

Let's Celebrate!

The class of 2014 is graduating from Padua College so please join us in celebrating!

12 October 2014
Stafford Tavern
10:30am-1:00pm
(or later)

Come and join us for some bubbles and brunch to celebrate our
bubs graduating.

Should you have any special dietary requirements please contact
Robyn McCann on 0466 571 972 or email
maudsoner@bigpond.com

Prominent if you so wish!
COME AND TRY DATES 2014

We are holding two ‘Come and Try’ Days for New Athletes on:

Saturday 23 August and Saturday 30 August 2014

At 1.30pm

The cost is $10 which is then credited to the registration fee if you join.

This is an opportunity to try Little Athletics which includes events such as Sprints, Middle Distance, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus and High Jump. All the events that children compete in school athletics and more! This exciting season of athletics runs from September 2014 to March 2015 (with a break over Christmas).

All level of athletes, aged from 5 years up to 17 years are welcome to attend these ‘Come and Try’ Days.

For further information contact

Shane EGAN-0437 555 603 or David NYSSSEN-0410 657 252

Or visit our website www.citynorthlas.asn.au

The Salvation Army Stafford Corps, have started a new music program for kids from grades 3 through to 7.

Free Brass instrumental lessons - Tuesday 4:15 - 5pm at the Salvation Army Stafford Corps (32 - 54 Hayward St, Stafford) Instruments available for a $100 refundable deposit, for children in grades 3 - 7.

also,

Homework Help for students in grades 3 - 7

Tuesday 4pm - 5:30pm at The Salvation Army Stafford Corps (32 - 54 Hayward St, Stafford) Qualified teachers providing oversight supported by volunteers.

For further information about either of these programs, or to register feel free to contact The Salvation Army Stafford Corps on 3352 6577 or email stephanie.morgan3@griffithuni.edu.au
Community News
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: 31st Oct – 2nd Nov 2014

Venue: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston QLD (on Brisbane’s bayside)

For bookings/details contact: Tamara and Scott Menteith, ph (07) 4634 3559, stj-men@aapt.net.au Information website: www.wwme.org.au
Internet Safety Presentation by Queensland Police Service at The Community Place - 33 Teevan Street, Stafford. This talk has been prepared for parents about how to keep their children (11-14 year olds) safe on the internet. It is on Tuesday 9th September from 6:30pm – 8:00pm. This is a FREE seminar and will include a light supper. Please RSVP by Phone: 3857 1152 or Email: enquiriesthes@thecommunityplace.com.au.
Community News
TEENS YOGA

chill out, stretch out, be karma

We do yoga asanas, vinyasa, mindfulness, breathing and relaxation techniques to help the children in everyday life as well as exams and stresses at school. Partner and group work

**Wednesday @ 5-6pm**

Relax yoga studio

65 miburn st

**Chermside west**

Contact Lauren Arthur

0422768746 or bekarmayoga@gmail.com
This swim is open to anyone who is willing to help us help sick kids. You don’t have to be an elite athlete to participate, but if you want to challenge a mate or colleague then let the fun begin!

Each team or individual swimmer will swim their nominated distance and record it on the pool log, while raising funds for the most vulnerable amongst us.

This year the money raised is going to support many of the worthwhile causes within Couee Community Foundation Limited (ORG # CH2239) and BrainChild Foundation Limited (ORG# CH1872).

Where: **Centenary Pool**, 400 Gregory Terrace, Brisbane QLD 4000

When: **Sunday, 19th October 2014** (from 5am – 5pm)

We hope you will be able to join us for this incredible swimming fundraiser. Enter as an individual or as a team and start fundraising today. To register or make a donation please go to the registration page: [http://www.coueelife.com/event/uci-swim4kids-2014/](http://www.coueelife.com/event/uci-swim4kids-2014/)