



The Bulletin

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The Rector



Welcome Back

A warm welcome to the 2019 school year. I trust that everyone had a relaxing break over the Christmas holiday break. We had a very positive start to the school year this week as we returned to the routines of school. However, as we begin the year, I am reminded of a saying by the 5th Century BC Greek philosopher Heraclitus that in life, "change is the only constant".

I will be conscious of this as we welcome our 1340 boys back to the academic year on Thursday. New students, new staff, refurbished classrooms, a new senior assessment and reporting system and new goals to achieve. These are all in the mix as we embark on another school year.

We know that change is something that brings about growth and there is excitement around the changes that await the students and staff in 2019. No group is more aware of this theme of change than our boys and parents in Year 5 and the Year 7 boys who are new to Padua. They are learning about some new routines of school, the culture of Padua College, adjusting to different travel arrangements, working out new homework routines, while also making new friends. We also know that students in other year levels, particularly our Year 12 students and Year 11 boys who are the first group to undertake the new QCE, will also be feeling the sense of change.

We know that the boys, like adults, will handle change differently. Some will embrace the new challenge while others will take a little longer to settle. Whatever their year level, or how minor the concern, it is always easier to manage issues around settling in, earlier rather than later. I encourage all parents to contact the College if there are any issues during the first couple of weeks. To this end, in the coming weeks there are parent meetings scheduled to provide parents with the opportunity to meet with key staff, to discuss the new arrangements of the school year and also to address any issues around settling in.

Welcome to new staff

Continuing this theme of change, we welcome to the College the following new staff to our community for 2019. Some of these appointments are due to increasing enrolments as we welcome an additional class of Year 5 and Year 7 boys to Padua in 2019. Our new staff for 2019 are:

Teaching Staff

Carol Yaxley – English/HASS – St Rita's College
Lachlan Turner – Chemistry/Science/Maths - Graduate
Matt Stark – Year 6 – Queen of Apostles
Natalie Roach – Year 6 – Nudgee College
Cathy Walsh – Business/Accounting – Prince of Peace College
Tim Merrett – Economics/Business – St Patrick's College
Sarah Guy – Technology/Business/RE/HASS – St Peter Claver College
Jess Gemmill – Year 7 Core/RE/English/HASS – Melbourne Grammar
Megan Moffatt – 3 days Year 6 Teacher – St Joseph's and St John's
James Tancred – Mathematics Teacher 7-12 – Brisbane State High.

We also welcome back from leave in 2018:

Sarah Young – Return from Maternity Leave
Kristen Griggs – Return from Maternity Leave.

We also welcome the following support staff to the College:

Melissa Winney – Pastoral Care Formation officer
Maxine Clarkson – Greccio Campus School Learning Support Officer
Claudette Perrett – HR Compliance Manager
Beulah Greaves – Librarian.

These staff bring with them new gifts to our community and I look forward to seeing how their work contributes to our ongoing growth as a learning community.

Academic Results Year 12 2018

I am pleased to report to our community the 2018 Year 12 academic results. The results show the academic endeavours of staff and students and in particular, the great relationship that developed between teachers and the 2018 Year 12 cohort.

- OP 1-5 = 32.3% (2018 State Average 21.79 %)
- OP 1-15 = 95.7% (2018 State Average 82.69%)
- 4 OP 1s
- QCE = 100% (Queensland Certificate of Education State Average 94%)

Alongside our OP results, it is also most pleasing to see the number of VET Qualifications achieved by our boys.

Last year we had a total of –

- 17 Certificate 1
- 25 Certificate 2
- 66 Certificate 3
- 1 Certificate 4
- 60 Diplomas.

Reminder About Student Protection

The safety and wellbeing of our boys is our priority. Padua College is committed to the protection of all our students from harm and abuse. At our assembly this week, we will speak to students about the importance of a safe school and the rules and procedures around safety and reducing harm in the school environment. As we begin the year it is important that we remind all in our community around how we keep our students safe at Padua.

Reporting of Concerns

At Padua College any concerns or reasonable suspicions we have about a student's safety and wellbeing or the behaviour of a staff member or volunteer which a student considers to be inappropriate, will be managed in accordance with the College's Protection Processes. All our staff recently undertook training on their reporting responsibilities and the processes we have to keep our boys safe. A link to the student protection processes and policies can be found on our school website. These are all contained in our Child Youth and Risk Management Strategy.

<https://padua.qld.edu.au/explore-padua/leadership-governance/policies-reports/>

Complaints Procedure

Padua College has a "Complaints Against Employees Policy" and also a "Procedures for Dealing with Complaints Against Employees". These Policy and Procedure are publicly available via the Padua College website (link below) and then following: Home // About Us // Padua College // College Policies

<http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/>

Where the complainant considers that it may not be appropriate for the complaint to be made to the Rector of Padua College or his or her delegates, the complaint may be made to the

Chairperson of the Board of Directors of Padua College. The Chairperson of the Board is Mark McSweeney.

Family and Child Connect Services

The Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services, has now established Family and Child Connect services to provide support to families. Please make contact with the school if you feel your family may benefit from contact with a Family and Child Connect Service or a local support service.

Concerns or Further Information

Parents and students should talk to the Student Protection Contacts (Sally Maguire, Julia McDonald, Peter Elmore or Ben Lowrie) their class teacher or Pastoral Leader if there are any concerns about the safety and wellbeing of any student or concerns about the behaviour of a staff member or volunteer. We take all reports seriously and will handle them in accordance with our Student Protection Processes.

Peace and all good,

**Mr Peter Elmore
Rector**

The Chaplain



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.*"

Paglia 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 by Christina Hoff Sommers, who 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 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 have good male teachers as role models. Paglia 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?

Paglia 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.*

So, let's encourage our boys at Padua, to involve themselves in competitive sport, to commit themselves to training, commit themselves to the team, to make sacrifices for the good of their mates, even when it costs. That's what forms the self-sacrificing man, ready to make promises, and to keep them. But I realise that they can't do this without their parents making sacrifices too, but I think these sacrifices are a necessary part of raising boys.

Responding to the news of alcohol fuelled bashings and deaths of young men on the streets of Sydney, Tom Hawkes, Headmaster of The Kings School in Parramatta wrote, some years ago and with some passion, about the scourge of the macho-posing young men cowardly punching others, and raised the question about what we can reasonably expect fathers to do to prevent their sons going to jail. Having acknowledged his own failures as a father, Hawkes suggests that a father can teach his son *how to love*.

Love 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 to be men of strength, manliness, gentleness, character, moral fibre, and Christian conviction.

I pray that 2019 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 Boyd-Boland ofm

THE SAINT AND THE SULTAN SAINT FRANCIS AND MALIK al KAMIL

This year we commemorate the 800th anniversary of the meeting of the holy man from Assisi with the Sultan of Egypt. In 1219 the armies of the Fifth Crusade besieged the Egyptian city of Damietta. In a bid to stop these destructive and devastating wars, Francis, against the advice of his friars, decided to travel to Egypt to convert the Sultan to Christianity, or if not, to obtain martyrdom in the cause of Christ. We know very little about the event, although this has not stopped comment from variously presenting this event. From a Christian perception the Sultan is described as a war crazed and sly "beast," and medieval despot. Islam has been described, in a thoroughly prejudiced way, as a pagan religion whose followers worship many gods.

Francis is sometimes perceived as a crazed religious fanatic, a medieval Ghandi preaching non-violence, and the naïve quixotic wanderer. History tells us that the Sultan had made many offers of peace with the Christians, all of which were rejected by the Crusaders. He also offered to return Jerusalem to the Christians and

rebuild its walls. Apparently, the Sultan offered to return the True Cross, though it is very likely he did not have it.

There is much we can learn from this peaceful dialogue between these two men. They certainly approached one another with an openness to learn from one another, but also a desire for conversion - it never happened! But they also spoke to one another with an appreciation of one another's religious conviction. They saw that the followers of Islam and Christ were basically brothers and sisters to one another. I think, today, we in the west must understand the anger, sense of oppression and the world of Islam in the Middle East, remembering the atrocities against the Arab people by the agents of British, French and American imperialism, and not just throwing slogans at one another, which will get nowhere.

From the Pastoral Care Team



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Over the Australia Day weekend, I was made aware of the many annual reunions that occur by former students who get together to reminisce about their old school days and reaffirm their long-lasting friendships. For many this takes the form of the traditional backyard BBQ or a family gathering at a local park. The more serious though, are seemingly involved in long standing cricket and football matches that have evolved from the College oval into semi sponsored events for over 30s.

As we plan and prepare for the arrival of the Year 7 students onto the Assisi Campus and look forward to welcoming our newest Paduans into Year 5 on Wednesday, I am reminded by these annual reunions that attending Padua College is very much a journey. A journey that builds maturity, friendship, life understanding, a connection with Franciscans and academic achievement. A journey to become 'good men.'

While a great sense of pride can be taken by our community in hearing that this journey often continues beyond graduation at the College, a sense of excitement also bears upon us as our Year 5s and 7s have the opportunity to begin this journey and look forward to the many great experiences that lie before them. On behalf of the College Pastoral Team, I would like to wish all of our new students, those starting their journey at Padua in any year level, a very warm welcome and we look forward to sharing your journey with you.

Student Protection

Padua College is committed to the implementation of student protection strategies and procedures that are intended to prevent harm to students, and to help equip staff with the skills to respond quickly and effectively when they reasonably suspect or are informed of any type of harm or risk of harm to a student caused by another person or self-harm by the student himself or herself.

Annually, staff receive training on the issue of student protection and the student body has input and is educated on pathways of support and understanding on the matter.

Below is a poster published on both the Greccio and Assisi Campus outlining the Student Protection contacts for all students. Should you have an issue or concern related to student protection, please do not hesitate to contact one of these staff members at the College.

AIC SPORT

This week, our first round of AIC sports trial for the year begin. Could I please ask all families to note the uniform expectations for participants and spectators:

Students attending an AIC Sport Fixture should be wearing the following:

1. **A Player** – The full College uniform for that sport. NB: Players in Years 9-12 who are remaining to support later games are asked to change into their College uniform at the conclusion of their own game.
2. **A non-playing spectator** – Full College uniform for that term with the College Spirit Cap.

Students attending fixtures and not meeting the required expectations may be sent home from the venue.

Year 7 Camps

Next week our Year 7s begin their annual outdoor education experience at Amaroo. For the first time, students will be travelling in their core classes. The camp provides an opportunity for the boys to get to know their 2019 classmates, enjoy the outdoor curriculum and reaffirm their understanding of school procedures and policies, like the anti-bullying expectations.

We wish all the Year 7s well and look forward to hearing of their stories when they return.

Inter House Swimming Carnivals

During Week 4 of this term, the entire school will be involved in the Inter House Swimming Carnival at the Centenary Pool. Years 5-8 will participate on Thursday, while the 9-12 will have their Carnival on the Friday. Could all parents please note that both days are considered normal school days and compulsory attendance is expected by all students.

Further information regarding travel and event details will be sent to all families via email early next week, however it should be noted that each Carnival will run within the confines of a normal school day.

Mr Ben Lowrie

Formation



Welcome back to a new year! 2019 promises to be another jam-packed year. 2019 is a special year for Franciscans around the world as we celebrate and remember the 800th Anniversary of the meeting in Jerusalem between St Francis of Assisi and Sultan al-Malik. The ramifications of that meeting have had huge effects on us

down through the ages. It speaks to us about the importance of peace, respect, tolerance and dialogue. At our Leader's Commissioning Liturgy this Thursday we will commission and light our 2019 College Candle which has a representation of that meeting on it. Guests from the Islamic College of Brisbane will be present where we will present them with a replica of our candle as a sign of our ongoing desire for dialogue and friendship with them. Our students already visit their college and they visit ours during the year and a great rapport between our two schools already exists. 2019 will be a year to further cement this fraternal bond.

Welcome to The PC Centre!

A new year sees a new face in the PC Centre Front Office. Please welcome Ms Melissa Winney who has taken over from Mrs Farry. Ms Winney will assist with many of the events we run out of the PC Centre. Welcome to Padua, Melissa.

Leaders' Commissioning Liturgy

Next Thursday 31 January we officially begin the year at our first formal assembly. At this time we will formally commission our 2019 Student Leaders and all the Senior Students, welcome new students and Year 5s to the College and present our AIC First Cricket, Volleyball and AFL Teams. Best wishes to our 2019 College Captain, Will Barker and his team, and to our Term 1 Sports Teams in their respective competitions.

Year 12 Senior Merchandise

The 2019 Senior Merchandise items have arrived. Items will be collated together according to our order forms and then distributed. This will take place before the end of next week.

Rosies Van Volunteers

This is the first call out for Year 12 volunteers to be part of our 2019 Rosies Street Van Volunteer Program for Semester 1. One night each month Padua volunteers to help staff the Rosies Van in Logan (Wednesday nights), CBD (Sunday nights) and Aspley (Sunday lunch). We require four students for each occasion to accompany Mr Garufi (Logan Van), Ms Purvis/Mrs Skoein (Aspley and Mr O'Brien (CBD). These are excellent outreach occasions and I highly recommend that as many boys as possible sign up for at least one night during the year. For each outreach, volunteers must attend a compulsory pre-brief at school, receive a Rosies team t-shirt to wear on outreach and sign a Permission Form. Please come to the PC Centre and book a date with Ms Winney.

Our first volunteer dates are:

Logan: Wednesday 13 February (5.00pm – 10.00pm)

Aspley: Sunday 3 March (11.30am – 1.30pm)

CBD: Sunday 10 March (5.00pm – 10.00pm)

Timor Student Sponsorships

As part of our ongoing relationship with St Francis of Assisi High School in Fatuberliu, Timor-Leste we offer the opportunity for Padua Families to sponsor students who need financial assistance with their school tuition. Thank you to those families who have contributed to this scheme in the past. I hope we can count on your continued support in 2019. This year we will be looking for six more Padua Families to become sponsors as new Timor students join our list as others graduate. The amount of sponsorship varies with the age of the student and whether they are a day or boarding student. The sponsorship structure has been revised and will not be as expensive as last year. If you are interested in knowing more about this scheme, please don't hesitate in contacting Mr O'Brien via email at mobrien@padua.qld.edu.au Your assistance in this vital work of educating the young people of Timor-Leste is life changing!

Year 11 Catholic Studies Reflection Day

Advance notice that all Year 11 students will be attending a Reflection Day with guest presenters on Wednesday 13 February to be held in La Cordelle. More details will be sent out in the coming week. This day is a compulsory day for all students.

Little King's Appeal

Term 1 sees us launch into our first major College outreach project – the Little King's Appeal. The Little King's Movement is a Catholic organisation that provides day respite for families living with a disability. This organisation receives no government funding and relies on its annual fundraising drive to meet its annual expenses. Boys from Assisi Campus are invited to take home a Collector's Kit and to visit homes in their neighbourhood over the next few weeks to collect. When collecting it is preferable that boys wear their College uniform. Boys on the Greccio Campus are too young to collect unless they are accompanied by an adult. Special permission can be given to Greccio Boys who wish to collect only after parents have signed an acknowledgement form and agree to accompany their son during their collecting.

Inaugural Eucharist

The College's Academic Year will officially commence with our Inaugural College Eucharist scheduled for Thursday 28 February. Fr Phillip Miscamble ofm, Provincial Minister of the Franciscan Friars will lead us in that liturgy.

As the year progresses may we be filled with the grace and blessings of a bountiful and gracious God.

Peace and all good to you all for 2019.

Mr Michael O'Brien

Please pray for those who have died:

- Michael Barrett (Padua OB '72)

Teaching and Learning



Student Diaries

Student Diaries will be distributed to students in Week 1 via their PC. The diary is a key information tool for both students and parents. Students are expected to record their homework and assessment work in the diary and to use it as a communication tool. Pastoral Care Teachers will support students with diary use and will check the diary throughout the year. Students in Years 5 to 7 have a Student Planner that forms part of the Resilience Project. Students in Years 8 to 12 have a standard Student Diary. I ask that parents ask to see their son's diary as part of supporting him at home.

Five Tips for Helping Children Develop Better Study Habits

Homework and study are important components of school life and is an area that we as parents, often struggle with in terms of how much support is too much and what support is appropriate. The following link is to an article entitled Five Tips for Helping Children Develop Better Study Habits. It is an interesting read and provides helpful tips for parents in assisting their children with homework and study.

http://splash.abc.net.au/newsandarticles/blog/-/b/1645223/5-tips-for-helping-children-develop-better-study-habits?WT.ac=Email&WT.mc_id=Innovation_Innovation-Splash|Primary_email|20150121

Student Timetables

Student Timetables are available through Mi Class. Should students have any issues with their timetable, they are to let their PC teacher know and will be directed to either the Teaching and Learning Centre or Greccio Office as appropriate. Students in Years 5 and 7 have been provided with a paper version as part of their transition.

Year 12 Information

Year 12 is always a busy year and this year is no exception. QCS preparations began on Friday February 1. On that day, students on the non-OP Pathway will have normal lessons as per their timetable. 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 skills to assist them in their transition into post school life.

Year 12 Retreat is in Week 10 and the program while at school will depend on their chosen Pathway. The QCS preparation this

Please pray for the sick:

- OB Pat Lally

year will be a targeted program and will require students to participate in afterschool sessions throughout the year and all sessions are listed in the College Calendar.

Thank you in advance for your support for 2019.

Mr Jason Pacey

Vocational Education

What's NEW in Vocation Education in 2019

Welcome back to all families of Padua College, Vocational Education at Padua in 2019 is looking very exciting with a few new courses and projects being rolled out.

To begin the year, please note,

Diploma of Business

Year 12 Diploma classes will be held on Monday afternoons and Wednesday afternoons, 3:15pm – 5pm. Students are to attend their allocated day, Monday or Wednesday, not both. The Diploma classes will begin February Monday 4th and Wednesday 6th. All students will be notified which day they will be attending.

Certificate III in Aviation

The Certificate III in Aviation course is set to begin on Wednesday morning February 6, 7am – 8am at Padua College, Room SBC4 and in the afternoon from 3:00pm – 5:00pm. Students will be notified in the coming week.

What's new in 2019 for Vocation Education at Padua

Our Year 10 students have been given the opportunity to study a **Certificate III in Business** for the first time and we wish them every success.

Our Year 11 students will see a few changes to projects in the Vocational Education subjects and their projects. Those students who have elected to study:

Certificate II in Engineering Pathways, the new project for this course is: Building a Race Car

All students enrolled in this course will become part of a team working environment. All students will be designated specific parts of the car to manufacture through the use of hand tools, machinery and welding techniques. Each student is responsible for ensuring their components are made correctly and accurately from reading detailed drawings and watching demonstrations to perform tasks accurately.

Once the car components are finished, the car will be assembled, painted, tested and ready for race day against other schools in the surrounding Brisbane region. All students part of this team will have the opportunity to attend race day and race their team's car against other schools. This course is still delivered over two years.

Padua College will be approaching local businesses to help sponsor the students in their race car build over the duration of the course for items such as Work wear, Tyres, Powder coating, Spray painting the body, Decals, etc

Certificate III in Engineering – CAD, the new project for this course is: Building a Drone *New

Students who have elected to study this course will develop the skills and knowledge in reading working engineering plans. Students will develop skills and further develop their skills in the use of Graphic Computer Technologies as well as extend their knowledge and skills in other productive environments.

The course will be delivered for students to develop skills and knowledge in using engineering equipment and materials, Computer Graphics, 3D Printers and Laser Cutting technology to produce their Drone. The course will develop students' skills in producing working drawings and pictorial views.

Certificate III in Aviation - Remote Pilot Licence line of sight

*New

This course is delivered to our students both before school and after school once a week at Padua. The course will be delivered to the students through an external Registered Training Organisation. The structure of the course is both theory based and practical flying of drones through obstacles and following directions to perform tasks. Students will obtain their licence at the completion of this course which will enable them to be highly employable for a range of occupations in a large range of areas including, Police Force, Real Estate, Army, Navy, Air Force, Agriculture, Live Stock Farming, High Surveillance Security, Coast Guard, Architecture, Town Planner and working in Mines to name a few.

Vocation Education courses that are also offered and being delivered at Padua in 2019 include:

Certificate I in Construction

Certificate II in Electrotechnology

Certificate III in Fitness with Certificate II in Sport Embedded

Certificate III in Business

Certificate III in Hospitality

Certificate III in Digital Media and Technologies

Diploma of Business

I wish the students every success in their elected courses and look forward to seeing the skills and knowledge being developed throughout the duration of their course.

Mr Adrian Gray

Vocational Education and Training Coordinator

Term Dates 2019



2019 Term Dates

Term 1

Student book collection days	23, 24, 25 & 29 January 2019
Australia Day Public Holiday	28 January 2019
Year 12 first day	30 January 2019
Year 5 & 7 Orientation day	30 January 2019
All students return	31 January 2019
Last day Term 1	5 April 2019

Term 2

Good Friday	19 April 2019
Easter Sunday	21 April 2019
All students return Term 2	23 April 2019
ANZAC Day holiday	25 April 2019
Labour Day holiday	6 May 2019
Last day students Term 2	21 June 2019
Staff Professional Learning week	24-28 June 2019

Term 3

All students return Term 3	15 July 2019
Exhibition Holiday (Public holiday only)	14 August 2019
Last day students Term 3	19 September 2019
Student Free Day	20 September 2019

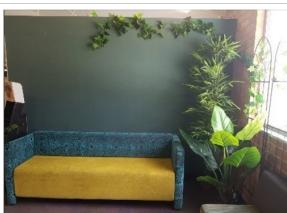
Term 4

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	7 October 2019
First day students Term 4	8 October 2019
Student Free Day – Year 12 Verification Panel	21 October 2019
Last day Year 12	15 November 2019
Last day all students	29 November 2019

Padua Library

Happy New Year and we hope that you enjoyed a book-filled break and visited many a library, wherever you were.

Welcome back to the Padua Library as we commence the year with some fresh spaces, passionate users of the resources and a soft launch of our #WeRead initiative.



Research into the Power of Reading for Pleasure (CILIP, 2017) is one of many research projects that provides irrefutable evidence that reading for pleasure has a significant impact on improved academic results, as well as being a major contributor to health and wellbeing; improving community participation; and developing greater empathy and insight into human nature and decision-making.

Despite the media telling us that reading rates are falling and children today don't read, 'So why do we need books and libraries?', it has been thrilling to see new University and Public libraries being built around Australia and the world, in 2018.

There are distinct initiatives that develop an ethos and an environment that excites, enthuses, inspires and values reading, and we are delighted to offer these at Padua.

1. Our librarians and teacher-librarians provide high quality texts with depth and interest in story, character, illustration, vocabulary, structure and subject matter;

2. We are building a read aloud programme, as this is identified as one of the most important things a teacher can do;
3. We have teachers, librarians and dual qualified teacher-librarians who specialise in children's literature and teach the nature of reading;
4. We are creating a community of readers with opportunities to share responses and opinions, during literacy lessons and regular borrowing and book chat sessions;
5. We include time for talking about books, articles and readings across all faculty areas;
6. Our Visual Literature collections continue to grow to support understanding the importance of illustration in reading both in terms of creating a text and responding to a text;
7. We look forward to working with authors and author/illustrators to understand the process of creating books;
8. And our Teacher-Librarians curate selections of titles to use literature beyond the literacy lesson – supporting cross curricular planning with quality literature as the starting point;

We hope that our many new library resources, fresh spaces, daily activities and special events inspire and enthuse everyone to read just a little more each day.

Yours in books,

Ms Hochstrasser and the Library Team

Digital Integrations

To our new families, welcome to Padua College and a welcome back to our returning families.

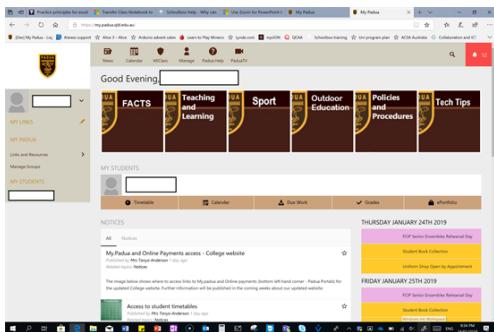
While most of us have been enjoying a break over the holidays, our IT Department has been busy getting ready for the year ahead with infrastructure upgrades, setting up laptops for staff and students, audio visual upgrades and much more. Students in Years 6 – 12 who ordered new laptops should have received these over the previous week. If you ordered a laptop for your son and did not book a time to collect this, please ask your son to visit the IT Help Desk to arrange a time to collect his new device. Students in Year 5 will receive their devices Thursday 31 January and Friday 1 February in class time. I am certain there will be an air of excitement on these days!

My.Padua

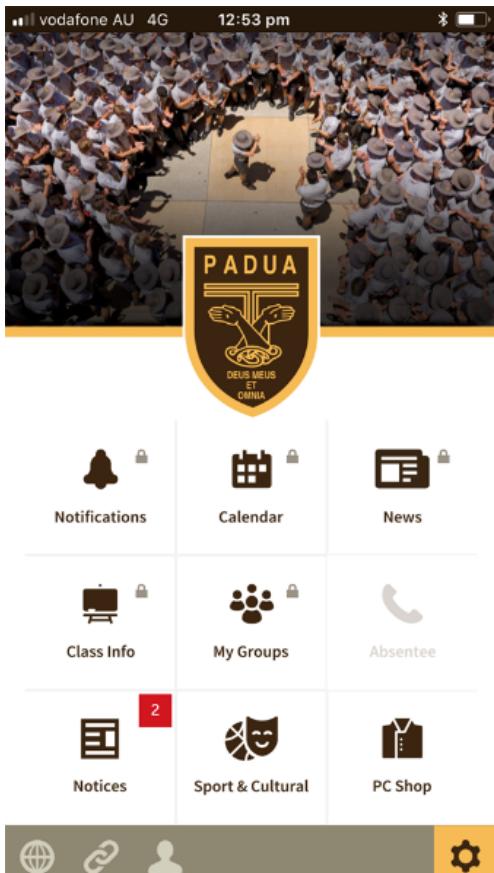
New families will have received a Welcome email with details to access our online resources at Padua. My.Padua is the College's online communication, calendar and curriculum platform. Parents, students and staff all have access to information based on their year level and role. For parents, key things to be aware of are:

- The calendar is a live calendar that is updated throughout the year with new events and changes in events that are listed.

- News items related to you and your son/s are visible from the dashboard (landing page) under News. Please check this regularly.
- You can access your son's timetable, assessment calendar (Due Work) and feedback on assessment provided by teachers from the "My Student" section on your dashboard.
- Information related to Teaching and Learning, Outdoor Education and Sport along with access to FACTS can be found on your Dashboard.
- A direct link to MiClass is available from the top menu.
- Information on Laptops, technology and general information assistance can be found under Tech Tips.



My.Padua is also linked to the College App. To access the information on tiles with a padlock (including Absentees) please ensure you are logged in with your My.Padua credentials.



Please make sure you have updated your App subscriptions by clicking on the settings icon in the bottom right hand corner. This ensures you receive all the information relevant to your son's year level and co-curricular activity.

- **Date claimer:** Monday 18 February 6 pm – Parent Engagement Night Technology. Please complete the survey <https://bit.ly/2Ud2Su4> on areas you would like to see covered on this evening.

Create, Connect and Share Respect

Tuesday, 5 February 2019 is **Safer Internet Day!**

Safer Internet Day is an opportunity to raise awareness about the safe and positive use of digital technology, and to explore the role we can all play in creating a better and safer internet in our community.

Coordinated by the Office of the eSafety Commissioner in Australia and celebrated in over 130 countries, this year's Safer Internet Day theme is: '*Together for a better internet*'.

We are encouraging all Australians to collaborate with their communities and support each other in developing the critical skills required to successfully navigate the online world.

These skills take time to develop but they can help us in all areas of life — online and off. We like to call them the 4Rs...

Respect - I treat myself and others the way I like to be treated.

Responsibility - I am accountable for my actions and I take a stand when I feel something is wrong.

Reasoning - I question what is real.

Resilience - I get back up from tough situations.

Padua College will be supporting this day through information posted on My.Padua and Facebook, keep an eye out!

Mrs Tanya Anderson

Sport

AIC Trial Matches CRICKET									
PADUA v St Laurence's College		Date: Saturday 2 nd February 2019							
<i>All Players to arrive at least 30 minutes before starting time.</i>									
<i>Correct uniform: Long White, Padua Sports Frock, Padua Sports Cap / Wide item Greg Chappel Hat</i>									
TEAM	OPP	OVERS	VENUE	OVAL	TIME				
1 st XI	SLC	50	Padua Playing Fields Banyo	Field 1 (Turf)	9:30 - 5:15				
2 nd XI	SLC	35	Padua Playing Fields Banyo	Field 2 (Turf)	1:00 - 5:30				
3 rd XI	SLC	35	Padua Playing Fields Banyo	Field 3 (Turf)	1:00 - 5:30				
1A	SLC	35	Padua Playing Fields Banyo	Field 2 (Turf)	8:15 - 12:45				
1B	SLC	35	Padua Playing Fields Banyo	Field 3 (Turf)	8:15 - 12:45				
1C	SLC	T20	Merchant Park	Field 3 (Turf)	8:00 - 11:00				
1E GOLD	VILLA	T20	Merchant Park	Field 5 (Turf)	11:15 - 2:15				
9A	SLC	35	SLC Runcorn	Field 1 (Turf)	8:15 - 12:45				
9B	SLC	35	SLC Runcorn	Field 2 (Turf)	8:15 - 12:45				
9C	SLC	T20	Leopardwood St Park, Leopardwood St, Runcorn	Field 2 (Syn)	1:00 - 4:00				
8A	SLC	30	SLC Runcorn	Field 1 (Turf)	1:00 - 5:30				
8B	SLC	30	SLC Runcorn	Field 2 (Turf)	1:00 - 5:30				
8C	SLC	T20	Leopardwood St Park, Leopardwood St, Runcorn	Field 1 (Syn)	1:00 - 4:00				
8GOLD	SLC	T20	SLC Runcorn	Field 6 (Syn)	2:30 - 5:30				
7A	SLC	30	SLC Runcorn	Field 2 (Turf)	1:00 - 5:30				
7B	SLC	30	SLC Runcorn	Field 7 (Turf)	8:15 - 12:45				
7C	SLC	T20	SLC Runcorn	Field 8 (Syn)	2:30 - 5:30				
7GOLD	SLC	T20	SLC Runcorn	Field 8 (Syn)	11:30 - 2:30				
7WHITE	SLC	T20	SLC Runcorn	Field 6 (Syn)	11:30 - 2:30				
7GREEN		T20	BYE						

Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome to the 2019 school year – these holidays felt incredibly long, but maybe that is just because I worked through most of it while my children had a well-deserved break.

If you are a new parent to Padua College, welcome to this wonderful College and community – I hope you enjoy being a part of it as much as we have for the past three years. If you are returning, welcome back – 2019 is going to be an amazing year. Now that the new constitution for the Parents and Friends Association is finalised, the focus for the Parents and Friends Association can change focus to be more engaging with the College, rather than just having regular meetings. There will still be one P&F meeting per term, however, there will be a bit more opportunity for us to have engaging events with parents.

Late November 2018, the new Committee for the Parents and Friends Association were selected at the Annual General Meeting – please join me in thanking our Committee for this year for putting their hands up:

President:	Mrs Pascale Weir
Vice President:	Mrs Megan Bergman
Treasurer:	Mrs Jeanette Lequertier
Secretary:	Mr Kevin Ryan (Assisted by Grant Weir)
Pastoral Care Coordinator Greccio:	Mrs Anita Lamb-Nicholls
Pastoral Care Coordinator Assisi:	Mrs Sonia Yates
Committee Members:	Mrs Madonna Taylor Mr Adam Goddard Mrs Alecia Beyer Mrs Michelle Martin.

Our first event for the year will be the Welcome Morning Tea on Wednesday, 30 January for the new Year 5 and Year 7 parents – this will be served after drop-off outside St Francis Hall.

Other dates to keep in mind:

12 February - Parents and Friends Association Welcome Night – a beautiful event welcoming all parents (not just new parents for 2019) back to the College.

As always, if you have any ideas for the P&F, please email them through to us on pandfpresident@padua.qld.edu.au.

I look forward to seeing you at our events this year.

Kind regards

Mrs Pascale Weir
P&F President

School Snapshots

Sam Smith, Year 12, has enjoyed a wonderful time on exchange at our Japanese sister school, Nigawa Gakuin. We look forward to seeing and hearing more of his experiences.



Congratulations to Year 9 student Flynn Nicol who recently represented Queensland in the U16 Australian Speedway titles at Ipswich. Flynn placed 3rd in the best pairs event on his 125cc and placed 4th on his 250cc. These results have him sitting as 1st reserve to compete in the World Junior Speedway Championships later this year In Europe. Well done Flynn.



A busy start to the year with our Year 5 & 6 book drop and sports trials underway for Term 1.



A warm welcome received by our new Paduans at our Welcome Morning Tea this week.



Community

Position Vacant – Casual School Crossing Supervisor



A position exists for a Casual School Crossing Supervisor at Padua College.

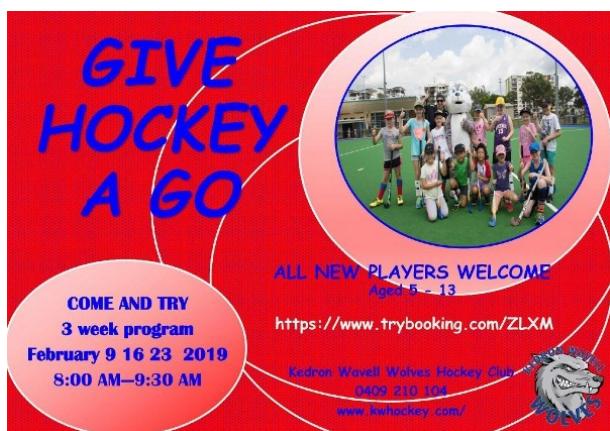
- A School Crossing Supervisor must be able to work in all-weather conditions.
- 1 hour and 30 mins per day, 4 days per fortnight on a rostered basis.
- Relief opportunities on your rostered days off.
- Pay Rate \$30.34 per hour.

Commencement of employment for the successful applicant is dependent on:

- The favourable outcome of a health assessment.
- A Positive Notice Blue Card (you do not need to have a blue card to apply for the position).

Applications are available on the Padua College website at the link below:

<https://padua.qld.edu.au/news-events-at-padua/employment/>



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Greater Brisbane Junior Tennis Association

Greater Brisbane Junior Tennis (GBJT) offers juniors up to and including Year 12 tennis fixtures on a Saturday afternoon at the Queensland Tennis Centre and the University of Queensland during school terms. For more information, please visit our web site at the link below or phone Mrs Peta Davis, Secretary on 3374 0516.

<http://www.gbjt.org.au/>

