



30 August 2018

The Rector



The Good Men of Padua (Part 2)

In last fortnight's Bulletin I wrote about the importance of a holistic education in the overall development of young men. The rich tapestry of offerings provides our young men with many opportunities. This week's assembly was another celebration of what we have on offer to allow our young men to

grow and experience the fullness of life. These included:

- The success of some of our Debating Teams, Theatresports, Space Design, Hockey team.
- Acknowledgement of the efforts of our Year 12s in preparing for the QCS test next week.
- Recognising the outstanding contribution to the Farmer's Appeal - over \$5000.
- The great work that our Year 9 boys are doing in their Religious Education Social Action Classes highlighting the awareness of serious issues in our community like the Rize Up campaign against domestic violence; the drought appeal (with the calves at school on Wednesday); and Beyond Blue.
- Our Father and Son Breakfast with over 400 attending on Friday morning.
- Our Year 11 students who are currently in the middle of their leadership preparation program. On Wednesday those going for badged positions delivered their speech to staff and their Year 11 peers.
- The last of the House Eucharists for the year – Boyd Boland House on Tuesday night.
- The Book Week parade last Friday at the Greccio Campus.

The above highlight the many offerings at Padua. Mr Liam MacAndrews, an Old Boy from the class of 2009, spoke at the recent Academic Assembly about his time at Padua and how the experience of Padua shaped him as a young man. His words below tell of the importance of a broad-based Catholic education. Sobering words about what really matters in the week when our press is awash with NAPLAN stories.

Instead, consider 'who do you want to be?' The type of young man you are should always come before formal titles, positions, or accolades. Of course, you should celebrate the successes of your friends and I encourage you to pursue your ambitions with gusto. In this room there is probably some great future businessmen, lawyers, footballers, electricians, plumbers, and, I suspect, aerospace engineers. But when in years to come you find yourselves sitting around with your mates, people are going to care far more about what kind of person you are over what kind of job you might have.

In my experience, Padua's lessons go far beyond classroom academics. In ten years, if you don't remember your maths formulas, hopefully you will remember the great value in generosity. If you can't recall the periodic table, you might recall the value of respect and being able to put yourself in the other person's shoes. If you have forgotten how to analyse Shakespeare, you might have held on to the importance in looking out for those around you. These are just a few of the important lessons that Padua teaches. I am sure that those lessons will continue to be a part of 'who' each of you hopes to be.

I have included Liam's full speech in the link below.

NAPLAN 2018

Although it is a little later than usual, our mainstream media is now awash with the news about the State's NAPLAN results. The delay in results is due to a dispute between the comparability of the online and paper versions of the test. Aside from the usual public versus private debate, this year the lead story seems to be around the poor state of writing across schools. Such reporting does little to motivate teachers who are working hard in our schools.

Whatever the view of the media, the noise each year is more about headlines than a fulsome analysis of the data. NAPLAN is now 11 years old and Dr Glenn Savage, Lecturer in Public Policy and Sociology of Education at the University of Western Australia, did an analysis of the NAPLAN data last year. Dr Savage's analysis of the 10-year story concluded that as a nation we have not made any amazing leaps or bounds in overall numeracy and literacy improvement since the test was first introduced. This analysis is further supported by Australia's results in other test measures including the OECD's Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA).

This leads to the obvious question of why? Well we don't have enough room in this Bulletin to give you my full response but if we need the NAPLAN test at all, then our preoccupation with test scores, in part perpetuated by the Myschool website and the media's preoccupation with league tables, is certainly a good place to start. Here we see that the easiest way to improve a school's NAPLAN performance is at the point of enrolment. Enrol good students who are academically strong, and you get good NAPLAN results. The focus on reporting overall achievement over academic progress perpetuates the problem. 'Know thy impact' is a well-known phrase for teachers, and here the focus is on the growth in learning not just achievement. Table 1 below shows the overall results for Padua for the 2018 NAPLAN. They show that Padua performs above the Queensland average result in all year levels in all domains. By themselves, they tell parents and teachers very little else.

However, Table 2 shows the growth from our Year 9 cohort in comparison to their cohort results in Year 7. Here we see, with the exception of the spelling result, the improvement that has occurred in each of the domains. A focus on reporting progress over overall achievement is a starting point if we need to report school results. However, the progress each student is making is an even more significant conversation. Congratulations to staff and boys for the results in the 2018 NAPLAN tests and as always it is important to put these results in the perspective of the above story from Liam McAndrew.

Table 1. NAPLAN 2018 Padua - Percentage above the Queensland Average

Year	Reading	Writing	Spelling	G&P	Numeracy
5	5.7	1.5	3.4	3.2	7.6
7	5.4	3.0	3.3	6.6	8.0
9	5.5	8.5	3.1	5.5	6.1

Table 2

Year Level	Reading	Writing	Spelling	G&P	Numeracy
7-2016	4.8	1.0	3.7	4.2	6.1
9-2018	5.4	3.6	3.3	6.6	6.1

Father and Son Breakfast

It was great to see so many dads and their sons at this morning's Father and Son Breakfast. Our inaugural event last year was such a success that we had to move to a bigger venue and this year's event had just over 400 fathers and sons in attendance. It was great to listen to the CEO of Legacy, Mr Brendan Cox.

Brendan served for 26 years in the Australian Infantry, enlisting as a soldier in 1988, and retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2015. Brendan was deployed on operational service in Bosnia, East Timor (twice), and Afghanistan. During his service Brendan received numerous awards including the US Army Commendation Medal (Afghanistan), The Australian Land Commander's Commendation and a Commendation for Distinguished Service in the 2014 Australia Day Honour's List.

Brendan reminded us all of the importance of core values and rituals in our lives but more importantly how these are so important for our work in raising good men. Brendan shared with us his stories of military service where he called upon his childhood memories of his family's catholic rituals of mass, the rosary and prayer.

Thank you to many dads who joined us for this event and best wishes to all dads for this Sunday. We also hold those boys and families who have lost their fathers in our thoughts and prayers this weekend.



**Peace and all good,
Mr Peter Elmore
Rector**

The Chaplain



Our third Paduan Franciscan virtue is HUMILITY.

In this age of self-aggrandisement, this living humbly is a significant challenge. The quest for power and money which so fixates many sits uncomfortably beside humility.

In the vision of St Francis HUMILITY is a virtue that recognises everything comes to us as a gift from God, and that our response is always that of 'thanks'. To be humble is not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength. Through humility Francis knew and accepted exactly who he was, for he had no illusions about himself. "What you are in the sight of God, that you are, and nothing more."

Francis saw, in the first instance, the humility of God as he meditated upon the birth of Jesus in an animal stable, and of the death of Jesus as a convicted criminal crucified on Golgotha

hill. Here was God in his humanity, whose birth and death were amongst the lowly of this world.

The humble person is appreciated of his gifts, never earned, but always a free gift from God. Humility recognises that we are gift, indeed, all is gift, and God is the giver of all gifts.

From this perspective of humility, we come with a humble and generous attitude towards learning. That the acquiring of knowledge through education is not intended solely for self-advancement, but as members of a community we strive to share our abilities and skills generously for the sake of the common good.

St Francis had an ambivalent attitude to schooling and learning. He encouraged learning if it centred on the scriptures, and prepared his friars to be better preachers, but condemned learning if it was just about the accumulation of power and wealth. He felt that knowledge for its own sake was a form of vanity, and he believed learning as a disconnected academic community was quite meaningless.

Fr John Boyd-Boland ofm

LOYALTY

Loyalty is not necessarily a virtue. There can be an unhealthy loyalty. This is where there is corruption, here it can be a loyalty among politicians, property developers, stock brokers, and businessmen.

Healthy loyalty is an essential element in families. Here we are supportive of fellow family members, we defend them when they are unjustly criticised. In the early days of the Franciscan Order, St Bonaventure in loyalty to the friars defended them from attacks by others, but this was not an unquestioning loyalty. He could see that some criticism was justified, so he urged the friars to more properly live in accordance with the ideals of St Francis.

Loyalty to our country does not mean an unquestioned loyalty. We can see that there are faults in our society - maybe the way we treat minority groups, we need to work at remedying these faults. While we may be loyal church members, still we must own up to the many flaws in our church, and work at correcting them.

Fr John Boyd-Boland ofm

From the Pastoral Care Team



As parents, we have all experienced the one word, end of day responses our children can provide to summarise their daily activities. As you greet your children, eager to know what they have learned, who they have socialised with and how the day was generally, you may be disheartened, when you are met with responses such as “not much” and “it was ok”. Recently I read an article by Ms Leslie Means, a parenting advice author, who suggested trying a different approach to engage your young man each afternoon. Ms Means suggested thinking outside the box and using different lines of questioning to evoke conversation, thought,

reflection and encourage healthy dialogue in your family. Why not try one of these questions this week:

1. What made you smile today?
2. What made somebody else smile today?
3. If you could change one item in your lunchbox, what would it be and why?
4. What is something you know today that you did not know yesterday?
5. What was the hardest rule to follow today?
6. If you could switch seats in a class today, who would you switch with and why?
7. Did you see any random kindness today – what was it?

Influenza Season

Without fail, the August winds signal a peak in the influenza/ common cold season in Brisbane. It is not uncommon to see a spike in illness and absenteeism at this time of year. In the event that your young man is sick and needs to refrain from attending school, could you please ensure the College office is contacted through the absentee line (38579999) or via email on absent@padua.qld.edu.au We wish every family health and wellness as we look forward to the commencement of Spring.

Term 3 Exam Block and Year 11 Camp

With varying year level exam blocks beginning in the coming weeks, families are asked to please note the following:

- There will be no Year 10 exam block this term. Year 10 students are expected to attend school up to and inclusive of the last day of Term 3. All Year 10 exams will be scheduled within the confines of the normal school day.
- Year 11 exam block will commence on Friday September 7 and conclude on Friday September 14. Students on a Pastoral Intervention Level will not receive exam block privileges and will be expected to attend school throughout the day during this time. House Guardians will contact individuals in this circumstance to make these arrangements.
- Year 11 Camp will commence on Monday September 17. Students who are not on camp during this time are expected to attend normal classes. Families are also reminded that the bus leaves for Year 11 Camp at 7am sharp on the departure day.
- Year 12 exam block commences for all students on Friday September 14.

During exam block it is expected that all students should:

- Arrive to the College at least 20 minutes before the scheduled start time of their exam.
- Present to their exam room 10 minutes before the start of the exam.
- Meet all uniform and grooming expectations outlined in the College diary (including hats).

- If not in an exam whilst on site, remain at Lone Pine or in the designated study room.

Whilst transiting to and from school during exam block, it is also expected that students will not loiter at local shops, Westfield Chermside or local parks. All transit should be directly between home and school. Students should not be working during normal school hours (designated for study), unless they have a pre-arranged College sanctioned work placement.

Year 11 Leadership Nominations

On Wednesday afternoon this week, the Year 11 cohort, along with all the teaching staff, met in La Cordelle after school. The occasion was the 2019 Senior Leadership Address, given by the nominating students in Year 11. The speeches were of a high quality again this year and all those who spoke should be congratulated.

After a term of learning about leadership, I look forward to seeing more of this understanding in action at the forthcoming camp. Congratulations and good luck to all Year 11 students.

Mr Ben Lowrie

Year 6 - Crossing the Road / Let's Chat

This week marks the start of our transition program for the year 6 boys' journey from Greccio to our Assisi Campus. They now enter their secondary phase of education. During this time, I will visit each Year 6 class, once a week, for the remaining weeks of Term 3 and 4. I look forward to working with the boys, helping them become high school ready!

Conveniently, this week the boys in Year 6 were also introduced to the concept of transition to adolescence. "Let's Chat Education" ran seminars on Monday, teaching boys about expected changes to the physical, social and mental growth they are experiencing. Our young Paduans had some great questions and are positioning themselves well to understand this transition. Again, communication at home, in partnership with the school, is an important part of their developmental understanding.

Mr Chris Humphrys
Transition Coordinator

Formation

Thank you to all families who attended our recent House Eucharists.

Mitchell House Eucharist

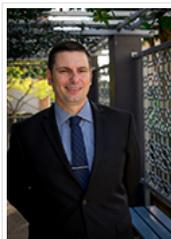


Odoric House Eucharist



Please pray for the sick.
Please pray for those who have died.

Teaching and Learning



QCS Testing September 4 and 5

The QCS Tests for Year 12 Students on the OP Pathway take place on Tuesday September 4 and Wednesday September 5. On those days, breakfast will be served at 7:45am for all Year 12 students regardless of whether they are sitting the QCS Tests or not. For students not sitting

the QCS Tests, non-OP subjects will run as normal. English and Maths A will also run. For all other OP subjects, study will be available in the Assisi Library for that lesson.

We have had a very focused QCS preparation program this year and I wish all students sitting the QCS Tests the very best.

Term Time Absences

I would ask families who are planning to take term time absence this term or anytime in Term 4, to complete the Planned Student Absence Term Time Notification form by going to My.Padua, then MiClass and then selecting Available eForms. This form will inform you of the process and serves as part of the process of informing staff of your son's upcoming absence. However, there is still an expectation that your son will inform each of his teachers so that arrangements can be made where possible. It is important for families to be aware that in some cases, particularly exams in exam block, missed assessment will result in an incomplete (INC) being awarded on the report card.

Please note that many subjects assess in the last week of Term 4 and therefore a decision to remove your son from school early in that week will mean missed assessment.

Term 3 Reports

Please be reminded that the report for Term 3 is a Pastoral Report and not an Academic Report. Should you have any questions regarding your son's academic progress, please make direct contact with your son's teacher.

Assessment Calendar – Due Work

At this time of year, parents often ask how they can view what assessment their son has. You can view your son's assessment by going into My.Padua and clicking on the Due Work Icon

under his name. This will then show a calendar of your son's due work and assessment.



Year 8, 9 and 10 Subject Selections

Subject selection emails will be sent to students in Years 8, 9 and 10 in the next few weeks. Students in Year 10 participated in SET Plan Interviews as part of their selection process and students in Years 8 and 9 will be spoken to around the process for subject selections. Should you have any questions around subject selections for your son, please email them to teachingandlearning@padua.qld.edu.au.

Subject selections for current Year 8, 9 and 10 students for their 2018 subjects close on Friday September 21 at 3pm.

Frequently Asked Questions

The Teaching and Learning FAQs page is the source of information around the Teaching and Learning processes and expectations at Padua. It can be found in the Teaching and Learning Tile on My.Padua.

The Learning Nest – Students in Years 7 to 12

Is your son taking advantage of the Learning Nest? The Learning Nest is open every afternoon in the Assisi Library from 3:00pm to 5:00pm for students in Years 7 to 12 and is supported by old boy tutors and a staff member. This a great opportunity for students to work collaboratively with their friends in a supported environment. If your son has more time on assignments or more study time as part of his Semester 2 subject goals, then the Learning Nest should be one of his strategies for meeting those goals. For Year 10 students, Ms Purvis will be available for ONE HOUR every Thursday afternoon in SEM2 for the rest of term to assist with preparation for the mathematics exam. Ms Purvis is also in The Learning Nest every Tuesday and some Mondays. Mr Paul Mead is available Thursday afternoons for English and Ms Chantal Hochstrasser is available on Friday afternoons for assistance with research.



Mr Jason Pacey

SPEECH PATHOLOGY WEEK

Last week, the staff at Padua College celebrated Speech Pathology week. With approximately 1.2 million people in Australia experiencing a communication disability, this was a great opportunity to raise awareness about the communication barriers children experience at school.



We often take the ability to communicate for granted, without realising that there are so many people who have trouble with this basic human right. At school, we see this when children have difficulty speaking, listening, reading and writing. Communication access is enabling people with communication disorders to get their message across by removing barriers to effective communication, or providing extra support and strategies.



Did you know Padua College has a Speech Pathologist?

My name is Janette Lewis, and I started working at Padua College this year 3 days/ week. As part of the Learning and Enrichment Centre (LEC) team, my work primarily focuses on supporting students who are experiencing barriers with speaking, listening, reading or writing skills which are impacting on their learning and participation at school.

If you'd like to get in contact, please free to email me: jlewis@padua.qld.edu.au

Year 10 Semester 2 English

As parents would be aware by now, the English faculty introduced three feeder subjects into the Semester 2 program to enable students to best choose a level of English that suits their strengths and demonstrated capacities. These three subjects are: English Essential Prep, English and Literature Prep. At the Year 11, 12 Subject Selection night it was made clear that students would be placed into an appropriate level of English for Year 11 and 12, based on their profile results at the end of Term 3, Year 10. This is to ensure that students are placed in an appropriate level of English to enable them to have the best opportunity of success.

If students are struggling to pass English at a Year 10 level, then it is highly unlikely that they will be able to cope with the increasing academic demands of Years 11 and 12 English. Students have been made well aware of such subject entry requirements throughout the term. In essence, we want our students to do well and succeed. This success relies upon an accurate and realistic assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of a student's demonstrated capacities.

I would like to remind you of the requirements that must be met for entry into the Year 11/12 English subjects. Students will be placed into the following subjects for Year 11 based on their profile results at the end of Term 3 as follows:

English Essential	- Students achieving a C- or lower in English
English Literature	- Students achieving a C or higher in English
	- Students achieving a B or higher in English or Literature Prep.

Should students wish to move into a different feeder subject in Term 4, this is a suitable time to discuss such a move.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel welcome to contact me at the College.

Mr Paul Mead Head of Languages Years 10-12

Padua Library

Book Week was a hoot! On behalf of the entire library team, I would like to thank all the students, staff and parents for the enthusiasm, creativity and fun that you brought to our Book Week celebrations. Of all of the things that we celebrate in the 21st Century, the world of books is a worthwhile celebration indeed.

Special thanks go to the students, parents and staff who joined us for the Year 9/10 Book Club Book Chat; the Year 11/12 Book Club Book Chat; the Years 5/6 Book Week Makerspace activities and the grand finale, the annual Book Week Parade.



As you can see, we really let our personalities and sense of fun shine...even those who were a touch outside their comfort zone. May I extend our congratulations and a huge thank you to the teachers and members of the leadership team for being such amazing role models of adults who love books and reading.

With only 4 weeks of the term left, there is a marked increase in the numbers of classes and independent learners using the library spaces from 7.30am - 5pm. There are many assignment checkpoints due and exams looming, so the need for support from the library team, teachers and tutors is increasing. Please remember that we have valuable resources in our teachers and tutors, as well as the databases, ebooks and Libguides in My.Padua.

Remember, sources must have:

The C.R.A.A.P. Test

Currency

- When was the information published?
- Has the information been updated or revised?

Relevance

- Who is the intended audience?
- Is the information appropriate to your needs?
- Can the information be related to your topic in a clear, understandable way?

Authority

- Who is the author, creator or publisher? What are their credentials?
- Do the author's educational background, experience or organizational affiliation relate to the information in any meaningful way?

Accuracy

- Is the information supported by evidence?
- Has the information been reviewed by professionals in its affiliated field(s)?

Purpose

- Does the information aim to inform or persuade?
- Is there any evidence of bias?
- Is the information based upon fact or opinion?

(The Citadel Daniel Library, 2018)

Just because you found it on the internet, does not mean it is true or reliable. Use My.Padua/LibraryResources to find reliable sources and to reference all information and images. Happy reading, researching and referencing, everyone. (The Library 3Rs).

***Yours in books and research,
Ms H and the Library Team***

Writer Workshop – September Holidays

Padua College is hosting a writer workshop with author Brian Falkner from Monday 24th September to Thursday 27th September. Special earlybird cost \$195.00.

Further information may be found on flyer below. Please book directly via the attached link.

https://www.writelikeanauthor.com/Register.asp?wc_id=71

WRITE like an AUTHOR
Holiday Writing Camp

Andy Griffiths says
"I wish this camp had been around when I was a young writer. Storytelling is a craft and the more you learn, the more fun you can have!"

Are you a word warrior?
Do you love writing?
Have you ever thought that maybe one day you'd like to be an author? Or do you just enjoy making up stories for friends?

If you'd like to have a book published there are more opportunities for you now than ever before and this course will give you the skills and techniques you need to write awesome stories.

The Course
Write Like an Author was developed by award winning author and writing coach Brian Falkner in consultation with English teachers. It has been tested and proven over many years in classrooms in Australia, New Zealand and the USA.

Where? When?
Padua College
80 Turner Road
Kedron
24th to 27th September, 2018
Cost: \$195 (special earlybird price)

What will I Learn?
Write Like an Author will teach you the skills you need to construct well crafted, imaginative stories.

Working alongside a published author, you will be taken on a guided journey at the end of which is a story you have created entirely from scratch.

It's the first step on your own road to becoming a published author.

Who?
The camp facilitator is **T.M. Clark**
Tina is the CICA shortlisted author of five novels and one picture book including *My Brother Rat One*, *Child of Africa* and *Slowly! Slowly!*

Students say
"The best thing was having an author supporting us all the way."
- James (11) - Lindyfarme Grammar School camp
"I loved meeting other young authors and learning awesome techniques that will help my writing."
- Gabriella (14) - Inmanuel Lutheran College camp
"It made writing easier for me and explained aspects of stories I didn't really understand."
- Anna (12) - Southwell School camp

for more information go to:
writelikeanauthor.com

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

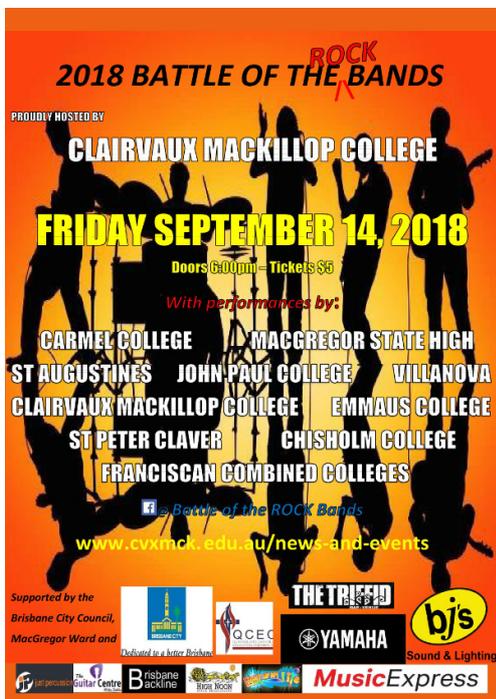
All students return Term 3	15 July 2019
Exhibition Holiday (Public holiday only)	14 August 2019
Last day students Term 3	19 September 2019
Student Free Day	20 September 2019

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

FCIP

2018 Battle of the ROCK Bands is just around the corner on FRIDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER. Click below to download further information on this exciting annual music event.



I look forward to seeing you all there.

Kind regards

Mrs Pascale Weir
P&F President

School Snapshots

Our Seniors vs Teachers recently in the Padua Science Trivia Challenge. Over two intense rounds the teachers narrowly prevailed this year.



To finish Science Week off a Paper Plane Competition was held recently on our Greccio Campus. The boys were given just five minutes to design a plane then it was a throw off to see whose design could fly the furthest. Phoenix Harker (Year 6) took out the competition with a throw of 19m. Cameron Cosgrove and Lucas Wong shared the minor placing. Fantastic effort gents.

Sport

Inside Sport

Basketball Team Photos – Save the Date

Please note correct, confirmed dates for upcoming Basketball Team photos:

- **YEARS 10-12 TEAMS:** Saturday, 8 September (Padua College)
- **YEARS 7-9 TEAMS:** Saturday, 15 September (Padua College)
- **YEARS 5&6 TEAMS:** Friday, 26 October (Semester 2 Co-Curricular Photo Day)



Lots of creative lunchtime happenings on the Greccio campus this past week including writing some rhymes and drawing. The boys used the book Rodney Loses It by Michael Gerard Bauer as the creative launch. This book won the picture book of the year for CBCA 2018 announced on Friday.

P&F

Dear Parents and Friends

The P&F Meeting held on 21 August was a great success, with Mrs Carmel Nash visiting us and presenting on what the changes are at the Federation level – including their name change to Catholic School Parents Queensland. I have also shared an article around Parent Engagement on the Padua College Parents and Friends Facebook Page – if you are not a member on this page yet, I encourage you to join as we will start putting more information on this page in the future.

The next P&F Meeting will also have a guest speaker being Mrs Tanya Anderson, Head of Pedagogy and Digital Integrations at Padua, and Tanya will be talking to us about My.Padua

I encourage all parents to attend this meeting and find out more from Tanya – please also look out for the flyer about this event that will be coming out soon.

The next P&F Meeting will be on 11 September 2018 at 7pm.



Wonderful results from our participation in the recent Queensland Catholic Schools' and Colleges' Music Festival (QCMF) held from August 15-19. Outstanding performances over the 3 days - Padua Year 5 Strings – Silver; Padua Year 5 Band – Silver; Padua Year 5 Voice – Silver; Junior Concert Band- Silver; Junior String Orchestra No 1 -Silver; Junior String Orchestra No 2 – Bronze; Junior Chamber Strings – Silver; Intermediate String Orchestra – Gold; Senior String Orchestra – Silver; Percussion Ensemble No2 – Gold; Jazz Combo – Gold; Senior Big Band – Gold; Jazz Ensemble – Gold; Percussion Ensemble No 1 – Gold; Intermediate Concert Band – Gold;

Rock Band – Gold; Wind Ensemble -Silver; Senior Concert Band -Silver. Congratulations to all our musicians and staff involved.



Last week, Mr Peter Elmore congratulated students and staff who travelled to Florida for the International Space Settlement Design Competition over the holidays - Christo Mohan (Year 11), Jacobson Harris (Year 10), Lachlan Tornabene (Year 10), Brice Welburn (Year 10), Mr Morris, Mr Easton and Old Boys Sebastian Waloszek and Zac Hussein. Thanks also to Mrs Van Rooyen for her continued involvement in this great competition.



Recently Mr Elmore and Fr John met to offer support to our students whose families and friends have been impacted by the tragic flooding in Kerala State in India. We pray for the people of Kerala, our drought-stricken farmers and all those who need our prayers.

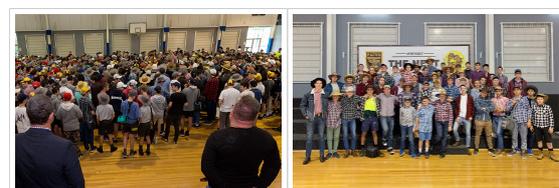
*Dear God, you are our comfort and strength
in times of sudden disaster, crisis, or chaos.
Surround us now with your grace and peace
through drought, storm or earthquake, fire or flood.
Amen*



Padua College recently hosted a two-day specialised Maths teaching seminar. This seminar supports the great work being done in this area currently at the College. Over the holidays our staff, Mr Matt Hardy (HOC Junior Mathematics) and Mr Paul Easton presented at the International Boys' Conference on the Gold Coast on our mathematics project - Extending Mathematical Thinking & Reasoning (EMTR). This project has been running in Years 5-9 where boys have been working in teams, once a fortnight, to solve mathematical problems.



Fantastic effort last week with our Casual 'Dress Like a Farmer' Day raising over \$4,700 in support of our drought-ridden farmers. Well done gents...Padua Proud.



A fantastic morning at our Greccio Campus celebrating Book Week 2018. Well done to all students for their creative costumes and thank you to all parents who joined us for this

morning's parade. Congratulations to both Mrs Kate Ayre 6KA and Mrs David Yeo 6DY who were joint winners of our staff best dressed!



Congratulations to Max Johnson, Year 9, who recently Co-Captained the Queensland 12-15 years Schoolboys Volleyball Team tour to Bendigo, Victoria competing in the National Championships. The Queensland Team won the School Sports Australia (SSA) Championship, defeating South Australia in the Grand Final. Upon the Tournament completion Max was selected in the U15 All Australian Team for SSA. Fantastic achievement Max, well done.



Recently we had a morning tea to welcome and connect two Work and Welcome employees Amal Eskifeh (Padua) and Roula Abed (Mt Alvernia). Both of these women originally came from Syria. The spirit of St Francis is shining in our two communities.



The boys will have to wait another 12 months to get a crack at the grand final of the Qld Youth Theatresports Cup, falling just short in their Semi this week at Gregory Terrace. Padua's team of Tom Goodhew, Oscar Dalton, Harry Abbott, Rayan Din and Liam Hill came up against a white-hot field of improv rivals and fell just short. Padua's team created some of the biggest audience-pleasing moments of the night. Competing against teams composed mainly of Year 11s and 12s, our young brigade of Oscar, Harry, Rayan, Liam and Tom more

than held their own. Their experiences this campaign will galvanise their efforts for a scintillating Season 2019.



Thank you to our local police officers for visiting the College this morning to highlight Road Safety Week and share information with our Community.



In conjunction with our Year 9 cohort, 9B RE hosted Milk for Farmers Day. Pictured here are Year 7 students Owen, Joshua and Nicholas, who along with all students were treated to a visit of calves from a local property which they could pet or feed via donation with all funds going to support the current farmer's appeal. Students were given a talk about the daily issues which our farmers are facing in Queensland and New South Wales. We thank Mr Adam Gatt and partner for their involvement in making this wonderful event possible.



Thompson Bus Services - Route Changes effective Monday 27th August

Effective as of Monday 27th August 2018, the following school bus run(s) will reflect TransLink approved amendments that will impact students travelling to and from Padua College:

6852 – Timing changes

6871 – Timing changes

6874 – Timing changes

The changes will be a combination of both timing changes and route changes.

Parents and students can also reference the TransLink journey planner page on the TransLink website.

<https://jp.translink.com.au/plan-your-journey/journey-planner>

United Swimming Club Invitation

Please click on the letter below to view an invitation for students to become part of the newly formed United Swimming Club Kedron. The Club is open to all children on the Northside and shares facilities at both Padua and Mt Alvenia Colleges, Kedron.



United Swimming Club Swimming Season 2018-2019

United Swimming Club welcomes all families to the 2018-2019 season.

United Swimming is situated at the modern Padua College pool facility and we run a friendly, family-orientated, yet competitive swim meet at 6.00 pm on Friday nights during Term 4 2018 and Term 1 2019. The club welcomes all swimmers in the local area, regardless of the school they attend. To learn more about our club or to join, visit unitedswimming.org.au click on the menu 'Join Now' and follow the prompts.

Our first club night will be held on Friday 12th October 2018, commencing at 6.30 pm, gates open at 6.00 pm for warm up.

United Swimming Club also runs swimming squads and Learn to Swim lessons. Enrolments for these can also be made via this website. For more information, please contact our team.

Club President: Jared Sehl
Email: unitedswimclub@gmail.com

Head Coach: Kirk Taylor
Email: swimcoach@padua.qld.edu.au

Learn to Swim Instructor: Michelle Berry
Email: LTS@padua.qld.edu.au

Pool phone: 3857 9943 during squad training times only.

Thank you,

Jared Sehl
United Swimming Club President



Online Safety & Cyberbullying



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Delivered by a professional speaker on the topic of digital compliance and internet safety. You will be presented with engaging and powerful information in a way that will bring to life possible online dangers and responsibilities which are a part of your child's digital world. Strategies of protection and prevention will empower you to reduce online risks within your home. You will be amazed how simple this can be.

WHO: Queen of Apostles Primary School
WHERE: 10 Thuruna St Stafford
WHEN: Thursday 6th September 2018
TIME: 6:15pm bar open, 7:00pm start
COST: \$20 per head

TWO OPTIONS TO BOOK A SEAT:

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- Call the school on 33529200



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Brendale Futsal Club kicks off its summer season this September. The Indoor Soccer club plays out of South Pine Sports Complex with competitions and futsal schools available from 3 years upwards to Senior Men's. Competitions go from mid-September through to end of February.

To register for the new season, go to tinyurl.com/brendalefutsal or for more information email lisadavy@australianfutsal.com or ring Lisa on 0408 872 973.

Fathers and Daughters Evening with Guest Speaker, Madonna King

All Hallows' School is pleased to present an evening with Madonna King, award-winning journalist, commentator and author to share insights from her new book 'Fathers and Daughters' on Monday 3 September. Details of the event include:

Date: Monday 3 September

Venue: Claver Theatre, All Hallows' School, 547 Ann Street, Brisbane

Time: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Cost: Free (registration essential via the School App or Payment Portal)

Secure your seat via the Eventbrite bookings page:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/parent-information-evening-with-madonna-king-tickets-48678917954>