Dear Members of the St Teresa’s Catholic College community,

Over the last two weeks our ‘Media outlets’ have been covered with tragedy. The disappearance of the Malaysian flight MH370; the horrible murder of Daniel Morcombe; the numerous victims of the One Punch can kill; the ‘accident’ to the Newcastle Rugby League player; the ‘accidental’ deaths of young people in the Insulation scheme and no doubt many other stories that at some point have made each of us stop and think about the value of life.

All of these people were innocent victims of some random ‘accident’. Each of the people that have been victims, have family and friends who are still grieving and coming to grips with their sense of loss, their sense of the injustice and unfairness of it all.

It is hard to explain to anyone that these events make sense. They do challenge our belief in the existence of a caring creator who takes an interest in the affairs of humanity. Even more so, some people can use these events to question God’s very existence. If God truly existed and truly cared about human beings why would he allow such tragedies to occur.

As Christians, we have our answer in the events of Easter. The Easter event starts off with the trial and torture of an innocent man whose sole objective was an attempt to give hope to the most unfortunate in society as his way of bringing about the reign of God.

There is a memory among the early Christians that near the end of his life, Jesus experienced an anguished inner struggle. In Gethsemane we find Jesus praying that he might somehow survive his trip to Jerusalem. He is overwhelmed by the reality that his action of challenging the ‘established order’, by overthowing the temple sellers, is going to cost him his life.

Jesus enters the garden amid the dark shadows of night. He becomes more distressed and agitated. Then he walks away from his disciples, seeking silence and peace. Jesus is deeply sad; it appears nothing can put joy back into his soul. Yet at this moment Jesus comes back to his original experience of God: Abba. With this prayer in his heart, he plunges trustingly into the unfathomable mystery that is God, who is offering him a bitter cup of suffering and death. So Jesus cries out his desire: “Take this cup away from me. I want to live!” In anguish, he is asking God for another way to fulfill God’s plan for his life, but with the words “Your will be done” Jesus recognises that God’s will appears absurd and incomprehensible.

Life is God’s greatest gift. For Jesus, as for any other Jew, death is the greatest misfortune: it destroys everything good that life offers, and leads only to a dark existence in Sheol. Yet at another level, there is something even more tragic. He is going to die without seeing his life plan fulfilled. He has lived his commitment so passionately. He is so identified with God’s purpose, that now he is even more horribly lost. What will become of the reign of God? Who will defend the poor? Who will care for the widows and orphans? Where will ‘sinners’ find God’s acceptance and forgiveness?

The abandonment of his disciples, his closest friends, plunges him deeper into loneliness and sorrow. Their behaviour shows him that his life and mission have been a failure. Everything is falling apart. Jesus is now totally alone. No one is listening to his prayer: God in particular does not appear to be answering. The Gospel narratives show us his aloneness throughout the passion.

Only Luke tells us about a more friendly, compassionate attitude among some women in the crowd watching the procession, who come near Jesus and weep for him. And a group of women are present in the Golgotha scene, watching at a distance because the soldiers do not allow anyone any nearer. We have the names of these courageous women who stayed to the end. All the gospels agree on the presence of Mary of Magdala, the woman who loved him so deeply. Mark and Matthew mention another two women: Mary and Salome. Only John mentions the mother of Jesus and the beloved disciple. Although it is often said that Jesus must have been comforted by their presence, that is unlikely. Surrounded by the soldiers and the executioners, it is hard to see he could have seen them there in his agony, forced to stand at a distance, lost among the other onlookers.

Jesus’ silence in those final hours is heart rending. As he died he cried out with a loud voice. This last, inarticulate cry is the most historically accurate of the tradition. The Christians never forgot it. The oldest Gospel Mark has these words: “My God, my God why have you forsaken me?” There is an amazing sincerity in these words in the midst of his loneliness, abandonment and suffering. If he hadn’t spoken them, would anyone in the Christian community have dared to put them in his mouth? In spite of his cries to his father, God has not come to help him? Jesus is not calling God by his usual name Abba, father. He cries out my God as any human being would. Yet his prayer is still an expression of trust: My God! God is still his God in spite of everything. Jesus does not doubt God’s existence or his power to save him. His complaint is about God’s silence:
where is He? Why doesn’t he say something? Where is God when he needs him most?

In many ways the experience of the passion is the experience of us all in the face of death. It is even more poignant when the death is sudden and unexpected. All we can do is cope is to hope that there was some purpose in life. That their lives made a difference to ours in some way that makes us appreciate greatly the gift of love and life. For many it is an unfathomable sorrow. They can never forget.

Just like Easter we need to be like Jesus: trust and pray that God has listened. We need the faith to be able to say “Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

We await the hope that death is not the end. Now it is in the hands of the Father!!

Yours sincerely,

Bro Paul Creevey
Principal

From the Principal’s Desk

I would like to bring to the attention of our St Teresa’s Catholic College community the following items:

• Building for the new Year 7 commences on Monday 7th April. Please ensure that you read the letter in this bulletin about the change in traffic arrangements that will need to be implemented.

• Term 2 commences on Tuesday 22nd April

• The College requires 6 extra teachers for 2015. These will be advertised commencing 31st March and will close Thursday 17th April. Appointments will be made early in Term 2.

• Enrolments for Year 7 and 8 2015 are currently being accepted by the College. Closing date for applications is Friday 4th April.

• We wish the College Girls and Boys Open basketball team all the best in the National Marist Basketball Championships. My thanks to the teachers, Daniele Milvydas, Aaron Hefferman and Sarah McNamara for accompanying the team. Thanks also to parents Kellie Caple and Lisa Buntain for coaching the teams. Congratulations also to the College Basketball captains for 2014, Connor McDonald (Boys) and Ashleigh Hopkins and Colby Buntain (Girls).

• We wish the Open Boys Rugby 7’s team all the best in the International Sevens Tournament being held in Sydney this coming weekend. Many thanks to Mr Luke Zeremes and Mr Hayden Perugini travelling with the team. We wish the Rugby Captain for 2014, Brad Morgan and his team all the best.

• We wish well all those students who are competing in the various State and National Surf lifesaving championships over the coming weeks. It is the culmination of some arduous training and early mornings!!

• The College Musical for 2014 is ‘Sweet Charity’: July 31, August 1-2.

• The College has an Immersion experience to Kalpitiya Sri Lanka: April 3-16. We wish the students who are attending all the best for this truly memorable experience.

• The College has a French Immersion experience: 5th – 26th April.

Many thanks

Bro Paul Creevey
Principal

News from the Deputy Principal

As this term draws to a close, I am mindful of the many opportunities our staff have afforded for our students, ensuring they have had the opportunities to flourish within the Marist tradition throughout the term. Currently, our ambassadors to Sri Lanka are living the message of Christ through their actions in caring for others. As well as this outreach project, we have students who are en-route to Paris for a cultural exchange and two teams of Basketballers are in Sale, Victoria representing us at the Australian Marist Basketball competition. The gifts and talents of the students at STCC are being lived out through the opportunities being provided, to live the Marcellin story throughout the world! Such achievements are not possible without your support and the authentic relationships that are formed between the home family and the school family.

Next term, we have made changes to the issuing of negatives – the indicators of non-compliance within a week. The idea of the negatives is to support our students in improving their organisational and management skills, so that they are meeting their educational outcomes to their best. As of term 2, two negatives issued in a one week period will result in a lunchtime detention the following week and three negatives issued in a one week period will result in an after school detention. During after school detention, students will carry out a community service act for the College and/or work on further developing literacy and numeracy skills.

The date for welcoming Year 7 into our community draws nearer and the builders move in, therefore we need to be
Respectful of the working environments of each other and the safety of our students, parents and staff by maintaining a safe and appropriate distance from the fenced off building sites. There are strict workplace safety requirements and as such, no staff member or student is able to go onto the building site. Students will be reminded of this also, upon their return to Term 2.

The Easter break is a good time for families to take some time to be present to one another and for us to renew our roles as parents in our children’s lives. Often being the adult requires resilience and determination – we have the right to know where our children are and what they are doing. If your teenagers ask to go to a friend’s house, do contact the friend’s parents to ensure there will be an adult home and that it’s ok. It is alright to be the only parent who does this – as we all know, we are not the only parent who makes these phone calls – it’s just that our teenager thinks we are!

I am looking forward to spending some peace-filled time with my family, some of whom are teenagers and some who have come through the other side of teenage years. As a parent and a teacher I feel privileged to be a part of young people’s lives and to have the opportunity of sharing the miracle of the Easter story with them in a captivating and relevant way that will touch their lives.

Blessings to you and yours this Easter and I look forward to continuing to work with you at St Teresa’s.

Regards

Carmel O’Brien
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Student Learning Progress Update 2

On April 9, parents / caregivers and students will receive their second Learning Update outlining student progress in their learning to this point. This Learning Update will be sent via email and will contain information about any assessment students have completed and a record of how students have been managing their learning to this point. An outline of student progress will be provided for every subject a student studies. Assessment will generally focus on both Assessment for Learning and Assessment of Learning. This Learning Update should provide a fuller picture of student progress to this point.

It is imperative that parents and students sit together and review progress, set goals and prepare to consult with teachers about how to improve. Keeping this in mind, the first College-wide three-way interviews are scheduled for May 13, 2014, not too long after the Easter break.

Assessment for Learning and Assessment of Learning

Students now, in the majority of their subjects, have completed Assessment for Learning and Assessment of Learning tasks. Assessment for Learning focuses on students being given feedback about how they were progressing in a unit of work. They were also given a grade (A – E) as a signifier of how they were progressing.

Assessment of Learning focuses on students being given a more definitive grade on an assignment or examination completed at the end of a unit of work. The students are still given some feedback, but were given a grade (A+ to E-) as an indicator of how they achieved in that unit of work.

Managing Learning

You will also receive an updated reflection from teachers about how students have been managing their learning in terms of their Preparedness for Learning and their Time Management. This management of learning is a critical factor in student success and should be deeply reflected upon in setting goals for future improvement.

The diagrams below exemplify the characteristics teachers reflect upon when looking at students’ management of their learning.
Looking Ahead

The students have had a heavy schedule of assessment in recent times, and now is the time for each and every student to have a deserved break. In the days leading up to the beginning of Term 2, take the time to work with your son or daughter in setting strategies to improve learning in Term 2 and plan some questions focused on improvement for the upcoming three-way interviews (more information about booking for these interviews will be provided just after the Easter break).

Have a happy, safe and blessed Easter.

Yours in learning,

Lee Elvy
Assistant Principal
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Senior School Curriculum


The Queensland Core Skills (QCS) Test is a common state-wide test for Queensland Year 12 students. The test is based on the 49 Common Curriculum Elements - skills and knowledge that underpin all Queensland senior curriculum. It is accessible to all Year 12 students, regardless of their subject selections.

Any Year 12 student aiming to sit the QCS test in September who wishes to apply for special provisions must submit their application by May 21, 2014.

Please see Mr Anderson for the appropriate forms.

More Questions?

Sam Anderson
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Enrolments for Years 7 and 8 - 2015

The College is now accepting Enrolment Applications for Year 7 and 8 - 2015 (current Year 6 and 7 students). If you have a son or daughter who would like to be considered for enrolment, it is important that an application form is completed and returned to the College by Friday 4th April 2014 (end of Term One). Application forms can be downloaded from our website: www.stteresa.qld.edu.au or collected from the College office and must be submitted with a copy of Birth Certificate, Sacramental certificates and latest report card.

CLC News

Fantastic Student Resources – Student’s manual and text types books

We now have copies of these excellent resources available in both paper and digital form. Students can access the PDF copies through the Oliver homepage, to download to their devices. These books provide a huge range of useful information for all students to refer to when working on assignments, homework tasks and preparing for exams. For further information, please contact the CLC.

Debating Update – Round 2

We are halfway through Round 2, and the debaters are improving in all aspects of debating and public speaking. Results are mixed, with wins for the Year 8 team (on a forfeit) and the Year 9 team against Mountain Creek State High School on the topic ‘that we should ban athletes who have had multiple concussions from competing in contact sports’. This is a great effort for our Year 9 team, who convincingly argued the negative case for this topic. The Year 11 team lost narrowly to Kedron State High School with the topic that we should ban ‘charity mugging’ (also known as ‘chugging’, a term used for over-zealous charity collecting).

Due to the Year 8 team’s forfeit by the opposing team, we held an entertaining debate in the CLC with the Year 8 team taking
on the Year 11 team in a debate on the topic that professional sports players who sledge other competitors should be suspended. The Year 11 team practised for their upcoming Secret Subject debate, with just one hour to prepare their case. The Year 8 affirmative team convincingly won this debate, and are preparing for their Round 2 debate.

This week our Year 10 and Year 12 teams debate and we are hoping for some more great results.

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**School Fees**

The College finance department would like to request that families monitor their fee statement each term to ensure payment amounts are sufficient and correct. If unsure about automatic payment schedules or amounts please check your bank statement prior to contacting the College.

All direct debit payment plans will need to be reviewed at the commencement of each school year. Whilst the finance department is working hard to assist families with this process, to avoid delay, it is recommended that all families monitor their own account and contact the finance department to arrange any required alterations to payment method or amounts.

**Please note the College Finance department does not have authority to alter any automatic payment arrangement without written consent from the payee.**

From Term 3, 2014 all school fees will be sent home via email.

If you do not wish to receive your account in this way or do not have email access, please contact the College on 5474 0022

**Year 8 Dreamers at Dusk 2014**

On Thursday 20th March, the annual Dreamers at Dusk evening took place. As in past years, this significant event in the life of a St Teresian student unfolded with colour, enthusiasm and extravagant costumes. The Year 8 students of 2014 magically transformed into some of the most significant characters in history that have contributed to making the world a better place. The success of the night was largely due to the way in which this year’s cohort embraced the concept and produced quality presentations. Feedback from parents, students and teachers on the night was overwhelmingly positive. Well done Year 8 of 2014.

**Workshop with Peter Muraay Djerpi Mulcahy**

St Teresa’s Catholic College recently invited Peter Muraay Djerpi Mulcahy to facilitate a workshop with our students with Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander heritage. The workshop ran from 7:30am through to 9:00am on Friday 21st March (Harmony Day). The workshop provided an opportunity for students to gather and share stories and ideas for the future. Through discussion and art making Peter facilitated a sharing of each student’s cultural background and heritage. The group will meet again next term to continue work on a project that focuses on storytelling through visual art, as well as promoting indigenous values and perspectives within our St Teresa’s community.

For more information about Peter Muraay Djerpi Mulcahy visit: www.aboriginalaustralianart.com

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**French News**

The Languages Department has been innovating language learning with Year 9 French students holding SKYPE sessions with a French speaking Year 9 class from Collège Champagnat, a Marist school in New Caledonia.

During lunch, St Teresa’s students involved in the New CaledoniaAmbassadors program join Madame Cataye and her class for a casual French chat with the Nouméa students. This new initiative is part of the New Caledonia Ambassadors
The Queensland Police Service Celebrate 150 years of service to the Queensland Community. One of the large celebration events being held is a Police Expo at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Merrivale Street, South Brisbane. The Police Expo will run from 9am – 7pm on Friday 22nd August and 9am – 4pm on Saturday 23rd August and highlight the diverse nature of policing activities and environments across Queensland. Entry for school groups will be free. Individuals attending will be asked for a gold coin donation.

Friday is targeted at school groups. With active displays from a range of Policing units and sections, attendees will be able to talk to the officers doing the job. This event will be a must see for anybody with any interest in becoming a Police Officer, or just wanting to see what we do.

Some of the sections that will be in attendance include:
- Special Emergency Response Team (SERT)
- Explosive Ordnance Response Team
- Public Safety Response Team
- Police Operational Skills Training Unit
- Mounted Police
- Water Police
- Police Dogs
- Forensic Crash Unit
- Road Policing

Students in Years 10 -12 who would like to attend should register at Student Reception by Thursday.

Qld Police Service Expo 22/23 August 2014

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Students studying Certificate II in Animal Studies recently engaged in the first of four week-long practical immersion experiences in captive animal management and animal care facilities. The practical experiences provide the students with essential ‘real-world’ opportunities to demonstrate the competencies required to obtain their Certificate II. Students were placed at our partner organisations – Australia Zoo, Sea Life Aquarium Mooloolaba, Alma Park Zoo, Eumundi Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre and Noosa Pet Grooming.

The immersion week generated tales of alpaca aggression, koala capers, python posing, bird banter and turtle talk. This initial insight into a career in captive animal management has provided a great platform for the Certificate II students to further their studies this year with all of them keenly looking forward to their next placement.

In addition to practical work, the students have also been required to present a simulated interpretive talk to their peers on a companion animal. Taylum Lamb chose to bring in his stunning Water Python Liasis fuscus and gave an excellent talk on the natural history and captive husbandry requirements of snake keeping.
We are looking forward to the animal encounters that term 2 will bring!

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**Sport News**

**Rugby**

**Sunshine Coast Schools Rugby**

After three rounds of the Sunshine Coast School’s Rugby Competition things are looking promising for our STCC Rugby teams. Despite most teams sitting on the bottom half of the ladder, there have been some excellent signs. The commitment and passion shown by each of our sides has been pleasing and several defeats have been inflicted by the smallest of margins.

Thanks must go to our 2014 sponsors Cogill-Woods Legal Services, Cooroy Mountain Spring Water, Matai and Goodyear Noosaville who have ensured that every player receives a training shirt. Such generosity and support is very much appreciated.

We also recently announced our 2014 College Rugby Captain - Brad Morgan. Brad has played Rugby for St Teresa’s since Year 8 and is the epitome of commitment and dedication to training. Brad’s leadership and influence ensures he is well respected amongst not only his own playing group but also within the junior ranks in the College. He is always willing to assist our Junior Coaches with coaching and has great presence both on and off the field. Congratulations Brad.

Our remaining rounds are all away fixtures and details for Term 2 games are below.

**Round 5 - May 7th**

@ Siena Catholic College (Sippy Downs Rd, Sippy Downs)

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**Lord Byng Visit**

Last week St Teresa’s hosted Lord Byng High School from Vancouver, Canada during their 2014 Australian Rugby Tour. The fixture was a physical battle but was played in excellent spirit on St Teresa’s Oval. The visitors went on to win the fixture 17-12.

Such tours would not be able to take place without the support of the families who host visiting students over the course of their stay. Our sincerest thanks goes to the 18 families (staff and student) who assisted with the billeting process.

Congratulations must also go to Borore Howton and Ben Ashman who were presented with the Best Back and Best Forward awards respectively.

![Lord Byng Visit Image]

**Scots Rugby 7’s Carnival**

This weekend 12 students from St Teresa’s Catholic College are heading to Sydney to take part in the Scots College Schoolboy Rugby Sevens Carnival. This invitational carnival only accepts 12 teams from around the South Pacific and features some of the best Rugby 7’s schools in the region.

St Teresa’s has drawn Westfield Sports High and Brisbane State High in their pool providing them with a challenging set of pool fixtures. Other teams at the carnival include The Scots College, Palmerston North Boys High (NZ), OTML Schoolboys (PNG), AIS (Singapore), Canberra Grammar and the Lloyd McDermott Development Team.

Regardless of the result, this will be a fantastic experience for the St Teresa’s boys and it will no doubt benefit their Rugby
7’s campaign later in the year. Despite some key injuries, the squad features several players who were part of the St Teresa’s U16 and U18 sides who comprehensively took out the 2013 Sunshine Coast Schools 7’s Carnivals.

Netball

Maroochydore Netball has now seen the halfway point and we have had some fantastic results to date. Our Open A Reserve team despite injuries is still undefeated which is a fantastic effort.

Our Academy netball teams have shown dedication to training and this has ensured some fantastic results throughout the competition.

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Marist Basketball

St Teresa’s Basketballers are currently in Sale, Victoria competing in the 25th Australian Marist competition.

The teams are there for one week, playing three games per day and are gaining valuable basketball experience as well as socialising with students who are also a part of the Marist family.

Individual Achievements:

Again some of our students have been doing great things within the sporting arena.
HUGE congratulations to Alessia Cerasini in Year 9 for the following achievements:

- Bronze Medal, Boards, State Surf Lifesaving Titles, Gold Coast
- Age Champion U14 girls Sunshine Beach Surf Club
- Gold and Bronze Medals, State Secondary Schools Swimming, Chandler
- Gold Medal (U15) and Silver Medal (U14) Brisbane Water Polo Comp
- Awarded Most Valuable Player in Qld 2013/2014 U14 Girls
- Chosen in the Queensland Team U14 girls Water polo Qld

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Family Lady Elliot Island Trip

Imagine that at the end of the year you were taking your family to a tropical island to relax and unwind from the year and have some real quality family time together before the festive season begins. Did you enjoy imagining that? Well, this could be your reality!

Last December, eight families from St Teresa’s spent 4 glorious summer nights on Lady Elliot Island. They enjoyed snorkelling, diving, resting, relaxing, great food and a personal experience of watching turtles lay their eggs. We also had amazing encounters with majestic manta rays that measured approximately 4m across. You are being invited to join us for a holiday on Lady Elliot Island in the summer of 2014. Family Spirit is one of the seven foundations of our College. As a community we gather at numerous events throughout a year and this will be another one of these special occasions. The Island has a limited number of rooms available so secure your place on this special trip as soon as possible.

The Trip is a 4-night stay on Lady Elliot Island off the coast from Hervey Bay. We will depart Hervey Bay airport in the morning of Monday December 8th 2014 and return on the afternoon of Friday December 12th. There are a variety of accommodation options available depending on the number of people in your family and your budget, and all rates are based on special education package rates so are significantly discounted. Each package includes flights to and from the Island, accommodation, 3 buffet meals a day, one glass bottom boat tour, and snorkel gear hire.

Last year we collected Expressions of Interest from people and we have already filled up some rooms. Throughout February we will still be taking applications to attend this trip and deposits are due by the end of March. Below are links to the Application Form and the Accommodation and Pricing Information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the school by phone or email. Mrs. Kelly Kilah kgoodingham@bne.catholic.edu.au

2014 Vanuatu Trip

Applications still being accepted

The 2014 STCC Trip to Vanuatu is happening this year! This is a recreational overseas trip to Vanuatu, which will occur during the June/July school holidays. We will leave from St Teresa’s Catholic College at 6am on Tuesday July 1st and return at approximately 9.30pm on July 6th. This is an additional and optional activity to school-based programs and will widen participant’s understanding and appreciation of the marine environment and the musical culture of another nation.

The total cost of the trip is dependent on whether your child wishes to simply snorkel throughout the trip or is a certified SCUBA diver (or will be by July next year) and wants to experience 6 dives. We will be staying at the Deco Lodge in Santo for the duration of our trip and using it as a base for our day tours.

The total costs will be:

- Diver: $2450
- Snorkeller: $2250

Prices are inclusive of transport between the school and Brisbane International Airport, return flights to Vanuatu, all transfers during the trip, accommodation, all meals, a trip T-shirt, all local tours and travel insurance. The cost for divers also includes all dives and gear hire as well as two night dives and torch hire. Our aim is that the only extra money participants will be required to bring with them is to cover any meals at airports and any souvenirs they wish to purchase.

Local tours include a day at Champagne Beach (pristine beaches, beautiful coral and crystal clear water), canoeing to the Blue Pools (spectacular crystal clear deep swimming holes)
and the Millennium Cave Tour (a walk through lush vegetation forest and bushland, ending in a float downstream on the river).

The diving highlights include the opportunity to dive the President Coolidge (a world-famous amazing wreck dive with huge reef formations teeming with diverse marine life), and a shore dive to Million Dollar Point (diving on old US war relics including plane wrecks) and other local coral reef sites. 2 night dives are also integrated into the package, as well as the hire of all dive gear including torches.

The full itinerary for the 2014 trip is yet to be finalised but will be made available when it has been confirmed. Applications are now closing for this trip, so please download the form, complete it and return it to the school as soon as possible. Parents are welcome to join us on this trip as well.

Please contact Mrs Kelly Kilah or Mrs Jenelle Davis with any questions regarding this trip. Please email Mrs Kelly Kilah on kgoodingham@bne.catholic.edu.au to register your interest for this trip.

**Uniform Shop**

**OPENING TIMES**
- Tuesday 7.30am to 2.30pm
- Wednesday 7.30am to 2.30pm
- Thursday 7.30am to 8.30am

If you would like to order via e-mail, please open the link attached and complete the order form. When complete, e-mail or fax it back to me and I will complete and size the uniform and send it home with your son/daughter. In order to do this I will require credit card details to accompany the order.

When the transaction is complete the credit card details are destroyed. Alternatively, you can download the order form and send it to school with either a cheque or cash.

If you have any queries please give me a call at the College on 5474 0022.

_Tracey Murray_
*Uniform Convenor_

trmurray@bne.catholic.edu.au

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**St Thomas More 2015 Enrolments**

**St Thomas More School** is a modern co-education facility preparing children from Preparatory to Year 6. The Parish school is an important and integral part of the ministry of the Noosa District Catholic Parish, committed to nurturing and celebrating a love of God.

To be eligible to enrol for Prep in 2015 a child must be born between 1/7/2009 and 30/6/2010.

Children born between 1/7/2008 and 30/6/2009 will be eligible to enrol in Year one in 2015.

All applications must include a copy of the student’s Birth certificate and Baptism certificate. Applications for years one to six also require a copy of the child’s most recent school report.

Applications for enrolment close on Monday 12th May 2014. Late applications are always accepted but no guarantee of placement can be given.

For further information, please contact the school office:
- Address: P.O. Box 938, Noosa Heads Q 4567
- Telephone: 5490 2322, or
- Email: sunshinebeach@bne.catholic.edu.au

**Child Dental Benefit Scheme**

As of 1st January 2014, the government has introduced the Child Dental Benefit Scheme. This new scheme replaces the Medicare Teen Dental Plan. The scheme is for eligible children aged 2 – 17 years and provides up to $1000 (to be used over a 2 year period) in benefits for basic dental services. Eligibility is assessed by the Department of Human Services.

To be eligible a child must be turning 2 – 17 years and receive a relevant government payment such as Family Tax Benefit Part A.

Dentists can perform a range of basic dental services as listed in the Dental Benefits Schedule. These include preventative services such as exams and cleaning, fillings, extractions and root canal therapy. This government initiative is a great foundation to introduce the importance of good dental health to children. For further information please consult the Department of Human Services website www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/medicare/child-dental-benefits-schedule
Noosa Tigers AFL

Noosa Tigers AFL club are seeking players for Under 18 boys and girls. No experience needed. Please contact the Under 18s coach, Dan on 0414 204 355 or email dan@internationalcatering.com.au or come to training at Weyba Road on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5pm.

School Events Calendar

TERM DATES 2014

Term 1 Wednesday 29 January – Friday 4 April
Term 2 Tuesday 22 April – Friday 27 June
Term 3 Monday 14 July – Friday 19 September
Term 4 Tuesday 7 October – Friday 5 December

Million Paws Walk 18 May 2014

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

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:** 13th – 15th June 2014  
**Venue:** Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston QLD (on Brisbane’s bayside)  
**For bookings/details contact:** Tamara and Scott Menteith, ph (07) 4634 3559, stjmen@aapt.net.au Information website: www.wwme.org.au

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**Sacramental Program 2014**

Each year the College, in conjunction with Noosa District Catholic Parish, offer the opportunity for students who wish to engage in any of the following sacraments of the Catholic Church:

- Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation.

The College does this for two primary reasons:

First, we are aware that for numerous reasons families may not have been able to access any or all of these programs in the past. Second, we are aware that some students, now that they are a little older and more able to make an adult decisions regarding their level of faith commitment, are prepared to do so.

As such in 2014 the Sacramental Program will run in Term 3.

The major dates for this program are as follows

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If you are interested in your son or daughter being involved in this programme then please contact the Parish Office on 07 5447 1188 or send an email to mhiggins@noosacatholic.com

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From the Pastor - Fr Mark Franklin

**Easter Service Times**

**NOOSA DISTRICT CATHOLIC PARISH**

**EASTER SERVICE TIMES**

**TEWANTIN**  
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Cnr Moorindil & Doonella Streets.  
Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7.00 pm Tewantin  
(Prayer at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm)

**SUNSHINE BEACH**  
St Thomas More, Ben Lexcen Drive.  
Preparation Session 1 11am Sunshine Beach

**COOROY**  
Sacred Heart, 63 Maple Street.  
Preparation Session 2 10am Cooroy

**POMONA**  
St Patrick’s, 1 Church Street.  
Confirmation 7pm Tewantin

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**NOOSA DISTRICT CATHOLIC PARISH**

**PARISH OFFICE:**

Hours: 8am to 12 noon and 1pm to 4 pm Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays).

There is a drop box at the office door for your use if needed whilst the office is closed.
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Finance/Wedding Secretary - Mrs Pam Walsh:
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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES:
5.30pm Sacred Heart Cooroy (63 Maple St Cooroy)
6.00pm Our Lady of Perpetual Succour (5 Moorindil St Tewantin)

SUNDAY MASSES:
7.00am Our Lady of Perpetual Succour (5 Moorindil St Tewantin)
8.00am St Patricks (1 Church Street Pomona)
8.30am St Thomas More (Ben Lexcen Drive Sunshine Beach)
10.00am Our Lady of Perpetual Succour (5 Moorindil St Tewantin)
5.30pm St Thomas More (Ben Lexcen Drive Sunshine Beach)

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