Term 1 Week 4
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From the Principal,

HSC & SC Achievement and DUX Assembly: I have already highlighted some of the outstanding HSC achievements of 2015 in previous newsletters. These were generally whole school achievements. Yesterday, we took the wonderful opportunity of recognising the outstanding individual achievements of the class of 2015. We formally recognised and celebrated each of the student’s achievements at the Annual DUX Assembly (top and bottom left). Congratulations to all students for their hard work and effort. Special mention and congratulations goes to Madeline Muscat our 2015 HSC Dux (top right). We at the College are very proud of your achievements as we are of all the award recipients. The college also recognised the 2015 Student Leaders and presented them with a framed version of their Leadership blazer pocket (bottom right). The ceremony was punctuated by an outstanding musical interlude performed by Kasia Slowikowski. There were also several inspirational speeches delivered, none more so that from the DUX, Madeline and Mr Grant Eirth (2015 Year 12 Coordinator). Congratulations to all. Lastly, I’d like to thank all the ex-students and parents for their attendance with special thanks and appreciation afforded to Mrs Moroney, Mrs Panagio, Mrs Wagner and the Year 12 Hospitality classes for the preparation and presentation of the food.

Year 12 HSC Information Evening: Last Tuesday night Year 12 students and the parents were provided with a detailed overview of the requirements and expectations of the HSC. We had the opportunity to recognise the great results of previous years and we threw out the challenge to Year 12 to achieve to their potential. The presenters also provided an outline of several initiatives that the College is providing to support the students in their final year. We obviously wish our Year 12 students the best in their endeavours in 2016.

Parent Advisory Committee: There are eleven members to this Committee who are a core body of parents whose role is to act as advisors for the College Executive. Advice would be sought on educational, financial, building and student welfare issues. The issues raised will be posted in the College bulletin the following week.

NOTE: There are positions vacant on this committee as we farewelled a number of prior members. Any parent interested in being a parent representative please forward your nomination, via email, to Julie.fletcher@syd.catholic.edu.au by Monday 29th February. A mix of dads and mums is needed for our committee. Whether you are new to the College or an old hand you are welcome to apply.

Mr Damien Carlton
Principal
### Calendar 2016

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<td>Paul Dillon Presentation (for students)</td>
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<td>Open Morning Year 7 2017 Parent Info Evening 7.00pm</td>
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<td>Tuesday 29&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; March</td>
<td>Staff Spirituality Day (No classes)</td>
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<td>Wednesday 30&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; March</td>
<td>Year 12 Half Yearly Exams begin</td>
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<td>Monday 4&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; April - 5&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; April</td>
<td>Year 8 Camp</td>
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### From the Assistant Principal - Mr Michael Donnelly

There will be occasions when the administering of medication is necessary to support students during the course of a normal school day or in school activities outside of normal school hours. Parents/caregivers are discouraged from providing children with medication at school, unless on doctor’s advice. In most cases medication can be administered before and after school whilst in the care of the parents/caregivers.

Where it is necessary for children to take medication whilst at school parents/caregivers must ensure:

- A letter is sent from the parents/caregivers outlining the student’s name, details of the illness, name of medication, frequency of administration and any other requirements.
- The letter goes to the Year Coordinator who signs the letter. A copy of the letter is kept with the office and the original goes to the student’s file.
- The Medication must be supplied to the office.

It is the student’s responsibility to come to the office to take the medication.

Children who suffer from Asthma and may need medication are encouraged to have puffers with them.

For students taking medication over a longer period of time under supervision, they will have a letter sent confirming the agreed details and outlining it is the student’s responsibility to come to the office to take the medication.

For camps, retreats and excursions, parents will complete the medical information on the permission note. On overnight activities, students will provide their medication to the year coordinator who will organise to store the medicines and organise a time for the student to be supervised taking their required dose.

Please note that students who wish to access pain relief medication (Panadol etc) must report to student services where the office staff will contact parents before dispensing medication. A record of all medication dispensed is kept in the school office.

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### From the Literacy and Numeracy Coordinator ... Mrs Peta Batty

A **MNEMONIC** is a device such as a pattern of letters, ideas, or associations that assists in remembering something. This strategy can be very useful to remember difficult spelling words.

For example, many primary school students are taught the following mnemonic when learning to spell **because**:

**Boys Eat Crunchy Apples Under Shady Elephants.**

A mnemonic to help remember the spelling of **guarantee** is **Giant Umbrellas And Raincoats Are Necessary To Enter England.**

Anyone can make up a mnemonic to help remember the spelling of a word. The mnemonic does not have to make sense, as long as you can remember it.
**Curriculum News - Mrs Christine Harding**

**Year 12 HSC Information Evening:** On Tuesday night Year 12 students and their parents were provided with a detailed overview of the requirements and expectations of the HSC. The evening addressed essential areas towards HSC success including both student and school initiatives. Each student received a Stage 6 Assessment calendar and was given detailed information regarding all assessment dates for 2016. We encourage Year 12 to prepare well for the 2016 HSC.

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| Year 12 | Geography, Mathematics Ext 12, Visual Arts |

**Study Club 2016 for Years 11 and 12**

Where: Library  
Day: Friday 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Come and join us to complete some homework, work on study notes or an assessment task. An experienced HSC teacher will be available to help you and answer any questions that you might have.
The St John Bosco College Swimming Carnival was held at Engadine Leisure centre on Tuesday 9th February. The 2016 House Captains and Year 12 students ensured the spirit and enthusiasm flowed throughout the day with singing, dancing and most of all swimming.

A big congratulations to all students who participated in the day achieving personal goals. A special mention should be made on the fantastic job the House Captains did throughout the day. Below are the overall results for the day, including the Age Champions. The Bosco College Swim Team that will contest the SSCCC Championships at Caringbah Pool on Wednesday 16th March, will be announced in the upcoming weeks.

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### Age Champions

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<td>3rd</td>
<td>Miri Maroney</td>
<td>3rd Matthew Marrum</td>
<td>3rd Angelina Browne</td>
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### 2016 Record Breakers

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<td>50m Butterfly</td>
<td>Bronte Southwell</td>
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### Educational Excellence in a Caring Environment
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS: Brad Simpson & Emily Arthur

Brad Simpson, Year 8, has been selected in the U/15 NSW Combined High School Cricket Team to play in Brisbane and Maroochydore at the Australian School titles between 20\textsuperscript{th} February-28\textsuperscript{th} Feb.

Emily Arthur wins halfpipe silver at Youth Olympics

Australian snowboarder Emily Arthur has finished second in the halfpipe at the Lillehammer 2016 Youth Olympic Games, with teammate Mahalah Mullins 15\textsuperscript{th}.

Emily, who was the Team flag bearer, won the silver medal with a score of 90.0 with a sensational performance on her second of three runs, in the pipe at Oslo Vinterpark.

She finished behind American two-time X Games champion Chloe Kim (96.50) with Korean Yu-rim Yeong (84.50) claiming the bronze.

"I'm so excited," said 16-year-old from Woronora Heights in Sydney. "When I landed my second run I was over the moon and couldn't keep back my smile. I'm so, so happy."

Emily started with a great first run of 87.25 to sit seven points behind Kim. The American then improved to 96.50 and the Australian with some more confidence and amplitude improved to 90.0.
DUX ASSEMBLY
The St Vincent de Paul Sutherland Regional Council is hosting the inaugural 2016 Gala Fundraising Dinner and Auction at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre on Friday 29th April 2016 from 6.30pm.

The dinner and auction night will be an evening to raise funds for the financial and caring support for those we assist.

The Engadine Conference is organising a table and wish to invite you, your family and friends to the evening.

This fundraiser promises to be a fun-filled night of great food, superb prizes and music by the St Patrick’s College school band, perfect for a night out with friends or family in support of a good cause.

Hosted by Sydney’s favourite broadcaster, Mike Bailey
The cost per person is $100
Guests can look forward to both live and silent auctions and a range of exciting raffle prizes

If you would like to book a table or further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 0417 141517 or by email denise_gittoes@yahoo.com
Looking forward to hearing from you
Denise Gittoes
Engadine Conference

The Uniform Shop will be open every Wednesday of Week 1 from 3.00 - 3.45pm and then every Friday morning of Week 2 from 8.45am - 9.30am. The next open dates are Wednesday 24th February and Friday 4th March.

BOSCO HOCKEY CLUB
WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Come join us at Bosco Hockey Club - the Engadine club. Have fun while learning to play and gaining new skills in a great team environment.
Girls and boys 5 years to seniors. From first timers to competition players in all age groups. Learn from experienced and caring coaches.
To register
Email: info@boscohockey.com.au
Phone: Charmaine 0402 353 266

EMERGENCY SERVICES
MEGA BASH
Sunday 21 February 2016
Gwawley Oval, Taren Point Rd, Taren Point
Between 8am and 4pm

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**NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM 2016**

NSW Ministry of Health offers all school students free vaccinations recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC). These vaccines are important and protect students through to adulthood.

At your school all Year 7 Students will be offered the following vaccines on the following dates:

- Visit 1: Monday 22 February
- Visit 2: Monday 16 May
- Visit 3: Monday 12 September

**All Year 7 Students will be offered:**

- **Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine - 1 booster dose.** This dose was previously recommended at 15 years of age. Your child will only be offered this vaccine in year 7- see enclosed information.
- **Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine - 1 dose.** If your child has already had chickenpox disease or been vaccinated, they do not need this vaccine.
- **Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine - a 3 dose course offered to boys and girls.**
  - (a Catch up Course will only be offered to year 8 male and female students who didn’t complete it in year 7)

**Consent Forms**

Please read the information provided with the consent form to understand facts about the vaccines that will be offered and the diseases that these vaccines protect against before you sign the forms. Please note that the consent forms for year 7 students will need parent/guardians signature for each vaccine requested. The nurses will not be able to vaccinate your child if this is not done.

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated after vaccination. Keep this vaccination record in a safe place, as they will be required for future work or travel.

**Immunisation Records**

Childhood vaccination records for children born after January 1996 can be checked by calling the Australian Immunisation Register on 1800 653 809.

If you have questions about the program at school please contact the school office on 9548 4000, or the Immunisation Unit, Public Health on 9382 8333.

(For translated material on the School Vaccination Program for parents/guardians, please go to the following website, but only fill out the English version: [http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx)