

newsletter

Principal:

Deidre Young

School address:

30 Oakland Way, Beaudesert Qld 4285

Phone: 5542 3000

Email: sbeaudesert@bne.catholic.edu.au

www.mcauley.qld.edu.au

Principal's Message

Issue 12: 29 June 2018

DATE CLAIMERS

Friday 29 June

Inter-house Athletics Carnival
End of Term Two

Saturday 30 June

Gold Coast Marathon

Monday 16 July

Term Three commences
BCE Listens Survey (Term 3)

Monday 23 July

Whole School Photo
Celebrating Success Assembly
(Period 2)

Parent, Teacher, Student

Conversations

3:30 to 6:00pm

Monday 30 July

NAIDOC Celebrations

Friday 3 August

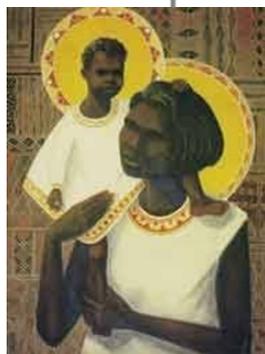
Steele Celebration Day

Accepting Enrolments for

Years 7, 8 and 9 for 2019

and

Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 for 2020



This Sunday, we acknowledge and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday (1 July), with a theme of "Because of her, we can!" We acknowledge that there have been overwhelming stories of injustice linked to the Stolen Generation and Australia's First Peoples. This Sunday, and as part of NAIDOC week, we recognise and honour the mothers who have batted to hold their indigenous families together.

"Women form the backbone of communities across Australia. This is particularly true for Aboriginal and Islander Catholic Ministries, where the mothers, sisters, aunties, grandmothers and daughters have been, and continue to be the thread which holds our families together. They have fought for justice, reconciliation and social change."

Next term, we are excited to welcome a number of guest presenters from Mununjali House as part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations to share with us stories of the land and their culture.



Reflecting on the term...

It has been a great term with much happening across every aspect of school life to celebrate. I hope the newsletter has in some way captured for you, the parents and members of our wider community, the amazing opportunities for our students here at McAuley College. The End of Semester One Report is one way to help us reflect on the term. The use of the word "end" can be misleading, because it certainly does not mark the end of our learning, a journey which is called life-long for a reason. The report provides us with an opportunity to reflect and celebrate our achievements to date, as well as plan and act for continued improvement across all areas of school life into next term.

I remind parents of the important Parent Teacher Student Conversations on Monday 23 July as an opportunity to discuss constructively how your child is progressing and strategies for improvement and future growth. They should not be limited to situations where there are issues. Parents are reminded to book their own appointments via the PTO application on the Parent Portal.

Another way you as parents can assist the College reflect on and plan future areas of growth and improvement is through your participation in the McAuley College Listens Survey, organised by Brisbane Catholic Education for each school to seek feedback from their parent, staff and student community. All parents will be invited to participate early next term, from 20 July to 20 August. Staff and students will also have an opportunity to complete the survey next term, with students allocated time in one of their classes.

And as we finish off our newsletter, I am hoping our final day is one of good weather and excellent participation at the annual Inter-house Athletics Carnival. My thanks to the many parent volunteers for their assistance on the day, and to the students who always inspire me with their spirit and good sportsmanship. Congratulations to those who have already achieved excellent results in the 800m and 1500m.



Well done to each student who across the semester, through their words and actions have reflected our Keeping it REAL at McAuley through their positive behaviours of Respect, Excellence, Act Responsibly and Live with Integrity., "Blessed be the boots that carry us to action for mercy's sake in our world".

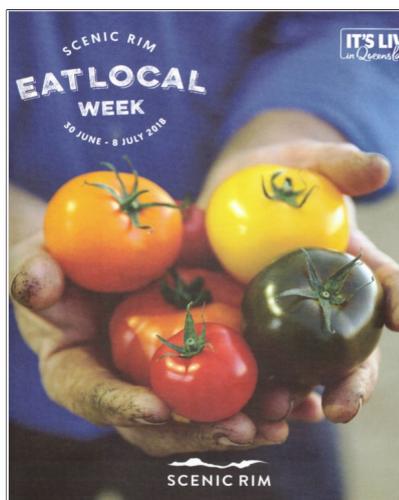
In Mercy
Deidre Young
Principal



Thank you to Mr Clint Spence and the team at Mitre 10 Beaudesert for their kind donation of 50 aprons for our ITD space. Thank you.

Sam's Sentence

Their blood stained the muddy fields, the significant casualties were much more than expected in the inaugural battle of the Somme.



Eat Local Week

Last week, students were issued with a copy of the Eat Local Week program during the school holidays. I encourage families to consider events they can attend, to support the wonderful array of local producers in our community.
Mrs Young

Oliver's Sentence

Whether you are a man or a woman, it is important to be treated equally, especially in the workplace.



LEARN ...In action

On Friday 15 June I had the opportunity to travel with our Year 8T Spanish class for a restaurant excursion to Guzman Y Gomez at Springfield. These excursions are an important part of language programs as the students are required to use their developing language skills to read the menus and order meals in Spanish. Thank you to Mrs Brechin for organising this excursion and cultural experience for our Year 8T Spanish class. The Mathematics Department has been rather innovative in studying Rates in Year 8. Thank you to Mrs Richards and the Year 8 Mathematics teachers for the information and photographs below.

Time and Place – Mathematics

As the Term draws to a close, the hard work continues in Year 8 Mathematics with students investigating rates and time through the real life context of athletics. With our Athletics Carnival fast approaching, what better way to prepare than to compare our 100m sprinting effort against that of the great Usain Bolt.

Students performed experiments and collected personal data in order to graph their results, compare and contrast their performance with Usain Bolt and calculate maximum speeds as well as gradients of rate graphs.

Amy Richards – Mathematics



As this is an eleven week term our last week of term is an A week. As such we will begin Term Three on a B week. Although we will remind students during the week, please take the time to remind your son or daughter of this timetable matter prior to returning to school after the school holidays.

So, the Maroons have lost this year's State of Origin series, the Wallabies have had a rather unsuccessful campaign against the Irish in the current rugby tour and the Socceroos are struggling for survival in the World Cup. It's a good thing that we now have a two week break. Fortunately, during the holidays, the Tour de France begins. Let's hope our Australian riders, and of course the Australian professional cycling team Mitchelton-Scott are more successful. Have a good break over the next two weeks. Use the time to relax and recover from our long and busy Term Two and come back refreshed for Term Three.

Viva La Tour!

Michael Darcy
Deputy Principal

SPORTS NEWS

McAuley College Athletics Carnival

While our Athletics Carnival is not scheduled to be hosted until Friday 29 June, events are already well and truly underway with some wonderful stories of student participation and success to share after a big week of lunchtime activity throughout Week Ten. Congratulations to all those students who competed in the 800m and 1500m events hosted during the week, it was incredible to see such a high rate of participation and a true credit to the sporting culture that has been created by the students at our small but passionate College.

I would like to make special mention of our school Adopt a Cop – Senior Constable Noel Kerger who joined us on Friday for the 1500m event and provided a helping hand with one of our students throughout the run!

Student	Event
Carly Griffiths	12 Years Girls 800m, 1500m
Jim McClure	12 Years Boys 1500m
Anna Brandon	13 Years Girls 800m, 1500m
Joshua Brown	13 Years Boys 800m, 1500m
Abi Henry	14 Years Girls 800m, 1500m
Harry O'Reilly	14 Years Boys 800m, 1500m



At the time of writing, we move into the 3000m run as well as the inter-house tug-of-war competition to be held Thursday afternoon prior to the carnival.

A reminder the carnival program has been posted on the Parent Portal under Sport, and students have been briefed about other important elements of the day. Best wishes to all student and House groups on Friday and thank you again for your support of sport throughout this busy Term.

Yours in sport
Amy Richards – Sports Coordinator

Support NAIDOC Week



MUNUNJALI NAIDOC FAMILY FUN DAY
SATURDAY 7TH JULY 2018 10AM-2PM- JUBILEE PARK, BEAUDESERT

NAIDOC Week 2018 will celebrate the invaluable contributions that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have made – and continue to make - to our communities, our families, our rich history and to our nation.

This year's theme: "Because of her, we can!"

Join our Facebook page
 Mununjali Housing & Development to keep updated with NAIDOC Day

WHAT'S ON!

- FREE RIDES
- FACE PAINTING
- KIDS ACTIVITIES
- REPTILE SHOW
- PETTING ZOO
- TRADITIONAL DANCERS & CULTURAL WORKSHOPS

55 412 575

DRAMA NEWS

On Thursday 21 June, the students of McAuley College were treated to an exceptional performance from Shake & Stir. Joined by the Year 5 and 6 students of St Mary's, Unfiltered, was certainly well-received by all. Delving into relevant issues of appropriate social media use and social awareness, the students were challenged with many important and pertinent messages faced on a regular basis. As technology has become a fixture within our daily lives, students must navigate through various social complexities which arise as a result of interactions on social media. The key message of "do unto others as you would have them do unto you" remains relevant as students are reminded to treat each other with kindness in all interactions.

(con't)

Key messages aside, the students enjoyed the theatrical performance, which outlined the story of Kurt, who disappears of all social media and abruptly stops turning up to school. The characters unravelled a messy situation, linking Kurt to an inappropriate video posted of a so-called friend of his, Olivia. The play explored not only Olivia's reactions, but other students both directly and indirectly involved. The dramatization was brilliantly written using only three actors. It was fantastic exposure to all the Elements of Drama that students learn about within the subject, Drama.

A huge congratulations to all students involved in the Instrumental Program this semester. With over a third of students involved in the Program, it will only continue to grow as we introduce Strings lessons and the Guitar Ensemble in Term Three. It has been fantastic to see the overall commitment to lessons as well as the great improvement made. Students and parents will receive their Progress Reports shortly, which further highlight the greatness achieved in the program.

Thank you again for a fantastic semester and I look forward to what next semester brings.

Kind regards

Megan Field

Drama and Music Teacher

