Feast of Saints Peter and Paul  On June 29, the Church celebrates the feast day of Saints Peter and Paul. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of an already lengthy tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both Saint Peter and Saint Paul on the same day. Together, the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there. In a sermon in the year 395, St Augustine of Hippo said: “Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles’ blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith.”

Next Wednesday we celebrate this important feast in the life of the College with a morning liturgy, fun PC activities throughout the middle of the day and a talent show to finish off.

Overdue Subject Levies  I am extremely grateful and full of admiration for the families who meet their financial commitment, particularly families that make great sacrifices to send their children to St Paul’s College. There are, however, some families who have failed to meet their commitment and have not offered any form of explanation or request for special consideration. In order to have these fees cleared before the end of term, the office staff will be contacting these families in order to organise an interview time with me.

I encourage parents to establish regular weekly/fortnightly payments (minimum $10) via BPAY using the family code on your statement. Cash, cheque, Eftpos, and even credit card payments made over the phone are also offered for ease of payment. Your early attention to this account will be appreciated.

Please note that all Year 12 accounts are to be settled before the commencement of the HSC.

Commendations Ceremony  I extend a warm invitation to all members of the College community to our Commendation ceremony to be held on Thursday in the College (Edmund Rice) Hall. This day marks an important milestone in the academic journey of our young men and women as well as a key reflection point to refocus for Semester 2.

Staff Writing Day – Catholic Worldview  On Friday, 1 July, the College Staff will sit down to work on the next stage in the permeation of a truly Catholic teaching and learning community. All teachers will spend the day working through a process of embedding Catholic teachings into every teaching area of the College. This is the first of many such days that will happen over the coming years and is a first step in ensuring that your sons and daughters are receiving the best of ‘Catholic’ teaching in every classroom.

Year 10 Into 11 Subject Selection  On Tuesday and Wednesday of the first week of term (July 19 and 20), all Year 10 students will be taken through the process of subject selection for their senior schooling. During this time parents will also be given information which will be very important when giving your child advice about their senior options. If you have concerns or questions following this process, please contact Mr Leon Robinson or me via the College office.

Student Pick Up  It has come to my attention that in the afternoon some parents are picking their children up by entering the bottom Sea St staff car park. In the interest of safety and Work Health and Safety, I ask that this ceases. A copy of the College pick up/drop off policy is on Page 40.

All parents are reminded that student drop-off in the mornings and pick-up at the conclusion of school is to occur from Sea Street. All buses for both drop-off and pick-up use the North Street entrance, therefore, to minimise congestion and for safety reasons we ask that parents do not wait for children at this location.
**COLLEGE CALENDAR**

**June**
- 27-30 Kempsey Eisteddfod
- 29 College Mass - 9.30
- 30 Commendation Ceremony - 1.50 pm
  Report Distributed After Commendation Ceremony

**July**
- 1 **Staff Development Day - Pupils Do Not Attend**
  End of Term 2
- 18 Term 2 Commences
- 20 Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection Market
- 21 Year 11 Reflection Day -
- 22 College Athletics Carnival

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

Sports jackets in various sizes **NOW $50.00.**

Girl’s winter blouses in various sizes **NOW $30.00.**

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**NEXT P & F MEETING**

10 August 2016
6pm Start
School Conference Room
Administration Building

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**Car Boot and Trailer Sale**
St Paul’s College grounds
Saturday August 13th

2016 Fundraiser for St Paul’s College P&F

Watch this space—more information to come

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**YOUTH GROUP**

Come and join in lots of fun activities to celebrate this special day and raise a bit of money for little kids.

Bring games and snack food to share.
This Friday night at the Church Hall
6 pm - 9 pm

See Zoe or Mrs Stubbs for more information

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**27 June**
- Mon Maureen Wolff
- Tue Rani Nagra
- Thur Sue Young
- Fri Staff Development Day - No Pupils

**18 July**
- Mon Helen Butler
- Tue Maureen Wolff
- Wed Rani Nagra, Sharon Cole
- Thur Sue Young
- Fri Sue Young, Di Whalen

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**BAKING ROSTER**

**27 June**
- Mon Natalie Chadwick
- Tue Naomi Keast
- Wed Donna Patterson
- Thur Git Sadler
- Fri Staff Development Day - No Pupils

**18 July**
- Mon Helen Cosic
- Tue Alicia Smart
- Wed Maree Ward
- Thur Cate Madden
- Fri Debbie Hackenberg
Sea Street has a designated school drop-off/pick-up zone outside the top gate, so, again for safety reasons, we ask that this zone is utilised, not the driveway.

**Feedback on School Survey Data**  Each year, the Diocese of Lismore provides schools with the opportunity to survey parents, staff and students about their concerns and indeed praises for the College. During the most recent round of surveys, sixty families and one hundred and fifty students were randomly selected, along with all staff, to complete the questionnaire. A summary of the data provides encouraging feedback on many aspects of College life, but also provides us with opportunities to improve in others. Specifically areas for improvement for parents include:

- A more focused approach to homework
- Improving our management of student behaviour
- More engaging lessons
- Improving communication with parents

For students the data suggest that areas for improvement include:

- Focusing on student well-being
- Improving relationships with staff
- Having a greater focus on the Catholic culture of the College

Positive feedback out of the survey data includes:

- Parents have an overwhelming sense of safety for their child here
- A wonderful focus on social justice opportunities for students
- Teaching and learning opportunities are seen as positives for our families
- Students feel a strong sense of connectedness to school

Over the ensuing weeks, a team of staff will work on strategies and ideas to target those areas for improvement. I look forward to providing you with more feedback on those initiatives as they come to light. In the meantime, I would like to thank all those who have contributed to this improvement process. A focus on continual improvement is vital in ensuring that your child is receiving the best education they can.

**Return Day for Term 3**  All students will hit the ground running on Monday, 18 July. Have a restful break and ensure you come back invigorated and ready to learn.

God Bless

Mr Kevin Lewis – Principal
klewis@lism.catholic.edu.au

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**Assistant Principal’s Message**

“Give thanks to the Lord, proclaim his greatness” Psalms 105:1

**Parent-Teacher Evening**  We have organised a Parent/Teacher Evening for Years 7 to 12 to give you the opportunity to discuss your child’s progress with us or to inform us of any relevant information that would assist us in their learning. We believe it is essential that all parents take the opportunity to speak with their children’s teachers. This will take place on Monday, 22 August, in the Edmund Rice Hall, from 3.45 pm to 6.00 pm. More information will be sent home early next term, however, it can also be found on the College website under parents: Parent/Teacher Evening, or from a link on the homepage.

**Medication Policy Reminder**  At times, students who are on daily medication to assist their learning and behaviour, may miss taking their morning dose. As a result, some students find it very difficult to focus and be productive in class. Our current Medication Policy includes a procedure to respond to such instances. Please see below:

‘Students who are regularly medicated for behavioral reasons and who miss their morning medication at home, may be withdrawn from class until they are either:

Medicated at school with prescribed medication left at the school for such purposes, or are medicated by their parents after being notified by the school.’

This supportive strategy should not be seen as a punishment but a way in which we can help a student manage themselves and their actions in the short term.

Parents, there are times when knowledge of a student’s medical condition and prescribed medication can help the way in which we manage their behaviour. We ask that any change in medication be made known to us. Please contact the front office or download from the website the form: ‘Notification and Request by Parent/Guardian for the Dispensing of Medication during School Hours’. This can be found under the ‘Parent’ tab, then click ‘Forms’, then ‘Medical Forms’ then ‘Medical Indemnity Form’.
**Students Driving to School**  Parents, just a reminder about the College policy on students driving onto College grounds, which reads:

Students who are wishing to drive either themselves or other students to school and park on the College grounds, must complete and submit a ‘Permission to Drive to School’ form to their Pastoral Co-ordinator. This will be retained on file.

Students wishing to be a passenger in a vehicle driven by another student and parked on the College grounds must complete and submit a ‘Permission to be a Passenger in a Vehicle Driven by Another Student’ form to the Pastoral Co-ordinator. This will be retained on file.

When students are given written parental permission to leave the College grounds, and are doing so by driving themselves, this must be stated in the letter, otherwise the student needs to be picked up and signed out by parents.

I thank you for your support in this matter.

**Last Week of Term 2**

**Wednesday, 29 June**  We will be celebrating the feast day of Saints Peter and Paul with a special Mass. This day is an important part of our College calendar and students are expected to attend. As all students will also be participating in after - Mass activities.

Participation in the day and the activities aims to further develop and promote a sense of belonging, team building and community. These skills enhance the capacity for students to ‘Let Their Light Shine’ in academic and other pursuits. The day will also be about having fun, as the culmination of a busy semester.

A social justice initiative on the day is that students are encouraged to come to school ‘out of uniform’ (the requirements for an out of uniform day are specified on Page 108 of the Junior diaries). Students need to also consider the nature of the activities that they will be participating on the day when they dress – which will include sports type activities. Students will be required to donate an old warm item of clothing or gold coin on the day. The donations will be forwarded the St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal.

9.30 am  **Mass celebrating the Feast of St Peter and St Paul** to be held in the College Hall. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend and celebrate with us on this special occasion.

1.00 pm  **PC focussed shared lunch**

2.00 pm  **Talent quest** in the College Hall (all students)

**Thursday, 30 June**  the final student day of the term, will involve the Semester 1 Commendation Ceremony. This will occur at 1.50 pm in the Hall. After the ceremony, Semester 1 reports will be distributed. Students who fail to attend this day must provide a written and acceptable explanation of their absence. Classes from PC until lunch (Periods 1 – 4) will be normal for all students.

1.50 pm  **Commendation ceremony** (all parents welcome and invited to attend)

2.50 pm (approx):  **Reports distributed** by PC teachers.

At this time students may leave under the following circumstances only:

- Their parent or guardian is in attendance and has collected them to go home. The parent MUST have the child’s name marked off by the PC teacher before leaving the College grounds.
- He or she is in Year 12 and has signed permission from their parents stating they can leave school early and drive themselves home.

**Mr Guy Campbell – Assistant Principal**

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**REC MINISTRY**

**Year 11 Street Retreat**  Four Year 11 students participated in a Street Retreat in Brisbane, June 16 – 19. Austyn Nugent, Nathan Douglas, Abi Baker and Rilee O’Loughlin were accompanied by Mr Tamblyn. They worked with organisations that provide support for people who live on the streets of Brisbane. The theme of the Street Retreat was “Faith without Good Works is Dead”. This is the message that the students want to bring back to the college community following their experience.

**Year 10 Retreat**  The Year 10 Retreat will be on 28 - 29 July at the Coffs Harbour Adventure Centre. The cost is $115. The aim of the retreat is to get students to reflect on the life choices they will soon be making and to build on their relationships with each other. The retreat is compulsory. Notes went home some time ago. Permission slips and $30 deposits are now overdue. Contact Mr Tamblyn 6562 7200 if you require more information.

**St Paul’s Feast Day Mass**  The St Paul’s feast day Mass will be at 9.30am next Wednesday, 26 June, at the Edmund Rice Hall. This will celebrate the Patron Saint of our College and will be followed by some feast day activities for the students. Parents and friends are warmly invited to join us.
**Year 11 Reflection Day**  This will be held on Thursday, 21 July, which is the first week back next term. Students get the chance to boil the billy and cook their own lunch in the fire next to the river. The aim of the day is to connect with the natural environment in which we live. The reflection day is **compulsory**. Notes were sent home this week. There is no cost for the day.

Mr Conrad Tamblyn – Leader of Evangelisation

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**CURRICULUM**

**Year 7-10 Reports**  Parents can request, in writing, that their child’s progress not be reported on using the common grade scale. In these cases, the student is not counted in the cohort and he/she must receive a written report in a form decided upon by the school.

Please contact Mr Lewis or Mr Robinson if you have any questions or concerns in regards to this.

**Year 10 into 11 Course Selection Market Information and Interviews**  A Course Selection Market will be held on Wednesday, 20 July, between 4.00 pm and 6.00 pm for students who are currently in Year 10. The Market includes representatives from all titles on offer in 2017. There will also be opportunities for you to speak with Subject Co-ordinators and course teachers from all areas of the curriculum including the VET Co-ordinator and Careers Advisor. I strongly stress the importance of your attendance, and that of your son or daughter at this meeting. Please ensure that you bring the Course Selection Booklet with which your child will have been issued.

**Please Note:** It is not necessary to attend the Course Selection Market for the entire time scheduled. Parents and students ask questions and visit booths at their own discretion.

Following the Course Selection Market, there will be an information session between 6.00 pm and 6.45 pm presented by the Leader of Curriculum and other KLA Co-ordinators. Here, Board of Studies requirements for both the Preliminary and HSC courses will be discussed, and any questions or queries you may have will be answered.

On Tuesday, 26 July, Year 10 students and their parents are asked to attend school for interviews with the KLA Co-ordinators in regard to suitability of Course choices for 2017. Please note that this is not a normal school day for Year 10 students as they are not required to attend school for lessons.

Bookings for these interviews will be taken at the Course Selection Market and Information Evening, however, if necessary, they can be made at the school office up until 3.30 pm, Friday, 22 July.

**Trial HSC Examination Timetable**  All Year 12 have now received their Trial HSC Examination Timetable. These begin on Monday, 1 August (Week 3) and conclude on Monday, 15 August (Week 5). This is a stressful and hectic time for our HSC students and I wish them well and encourage them to adopt a healthy study/life balance which includes daily exercise and plenty of sleep.

A reminder that students must wear full winter school uniform. They must assemble at the Edmund Rice Centre thirty minutes before the scheduled start, and cannot commence an examination if they are more than thirty minutes late. Students must stay for the full duration of each exam and do not have to attend school when they don’t have one. All students are welcome to come to school and consult teachers or use school facilities when they don’t have an examination.

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Mr Leon Robinson – Leader of Curriculum

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**LIBRARY MATTERS**

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**  While some readers have not added to their totals in the last fortnight, it’s obvious that others are making significant inroads. In Year 7, Rhys Gleeson (13) and Sonisha Nagra (12) are leading the charge. In Year 8, Nandana Jayakumar (15) and Ruth Harradine (14) are closing in on their total. And in Year 9, congratulations to Alex Czippen-Sowter, Jakob Czippan-Sowter and Rowan Hodges, all of whom have now finished…with Gymea Brown (19) and Joanna Ryder (18) oh so close. With the holidays looming, it’s highly likely that we’ll return next term to many more participants having completed the Challenge. Don’t forget that it finishes on August 19, so there’s still plenty of time to reach the target. Continue to look for those books with the green dots on their spines, many of which are on display in the Library. Or simply search “PRC” on the Library homepage to see the hundreds of titles on offer. And remember, the rules allow you to go all the way back to Term 4 last year.
**Holiday Reading**  Feel free to come and stock up for your holiday reading. Students can borrow as many items as they like, including magazines, DVDs and non-fiction along with more conventional fare. And the holidays could be the perfect time for you to join your local library. We have application forms in the Library for both the Kempsey and Nambucca Shire facilities.

**Overdues**  You know what to do by now!

Mr Peter Garty – Teacher/Librarian 🥰

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**HOSPITALITY REPORT**

**Guest Presenter in Commercial Kitchen**  On June 16, Lauren Mueller, a Thermomix Consultant, gave a demonstration of six different dishes using three different Thermomix machines to our Year 11 and 12 Hospitality students. Thermomix machines although widely owned by many domestic cooks today; continue to be used in commercial kitchens and by reality TV contestants in shows such as MKR and Masterchef. Australia’s most noteworthy Chef Tetsuya has seventeen operating Thermomix machines in his Sydney restaurant.

Dishes produced by Lauren with assistance from the students included:

- Quince Paste
- Moroccan Chicken and couscous salad
- Lemon curd tartlets
- Banana Chocolate ice-cream
- Nasi Goreng
- Tempered chocolate

I would like to sincerely thank Lauren for availing herself all morning, for the benefit of our students. With Year 11 visiting industry early next term for their mandatory work placement, it will be very beneficial for students to have an understanding of the capabilities of these machines and a working knowledge of them. The P & F Committee kindly purchased one for our department last year and with further catering fundraising, we may be able to purchase additional machines shortly.

Mrs Belinda Mainey – VET Co-ordinator and Hospitality Teacher
Kempsey recently hosted the southern qualifier for the open football (soccer) Combined Catholic College Championship. Our College fielded one male and one female side.

The girls managed two wins, a draw and a loss. Olivia Creswick and Matilda Landers were our best on ground. The boys were short due to a number of injuries over the weekend but still won their first three matches 3-1 against Newman, 3-0 against Regional and 4-1 against St John Paul College. They only required a draw in the final match against Mackillop College but unfortunately went down 2-1.

Our female rugby league players, who have been training hard with Mr Morehead, Mr Stocks and Mr Picker, travelled to Coffs Harbour last week. Our Year 7 and 8 team managed two wins and a loss and our Year 10 team had a win and a loss. The success story of the day was that Charntaye Ritchie was player of the tournament.

We also had three students, Chloe Saunders, Tom Fletcher and Adam Grant attend the NSWCCC cross country championships at Eastern Creek. Tom finished 10th, which qualified him for the NSW All Schools Cross Country.

The 7-10 soccer was postponed this week due to the wet weather and the catch up date will be advised as soon as possible.

Also, the College cross country will be held Friday, 22 July, so dust off the spikes and get ready to try and win for your house.

Miss Dianne Lawrence and Scott Edwards – Sports Co-ordinators

Parents AND Students Welcome to Attend the BIG SCIENCE SHOW!

Calling all Mad Scientists and Science Nerds! Do you want to see bubbling liquid nitrogen, gigantic bubbles, hair-raising electricity experiments, fire balls, a flame equalizer and more exciting experiments? Well, now is your big chance! On 26 August, during periods 1 and 2, the Science Faculty will be hosting the Big Science Big Fun Show. We are welcoming all students in Years 7-10 as well as parents, to take part in this exciting event. Numbers are limited so be early to book your seat.

The cost is $7 per person. Permission notes with further details of the event will be passed out in Science classes.

See you all there!

Mrs Maria Littlejohn – Leader of Science

TALENT QUEST

Cheering and clapping.....woooooo!
Hear that applause?
This could be you!
Sign up for TALENT QUEST

When: Wednesday, June 29
Time: 2.00 pm
Where: College Hall

As part of St Paul’s Feast Day activities
WHAT'S HAPPENING ON FRANCIS FARM?

After effects of East Coast Low

Dry matter testing with click measure – Jacob Nelson and Dimik Pilbeam

Soil testing – Bayln Flanagan

Portable chook feeder – Theo Clarke
Kempsey Singers Inc presents

OPEN FOR INSPECTION

An Australian Farce by Frank Hatherley
By Arrangement with David Spicer Productions

OPENING NIGHT

Saturday 18 June 7:30pm Bandbox Theatre

Kempsey Singers cordially invite you to the Opening Night of their new production "Open For Inspection"

WHEN:  Saturday 18 June 2016
TIME:  7.30pm
VENUE: Bandbox Theatre, Corner Sea and Wide Streets West Kempsey
TICKETS: Hourglass Jewellers, Centrepoint Arcade

Ticket price: $30
Includes wine, canapés, tea/coffee and supper

Sorry! No concessions and no persons under 18
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MACKILLOP SENIOR HALL,
LOCHINVAR PLACE
6-9:30pm, 2nd July
$5 entry

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