The Power and Joy of Prayer  The gospels often provide us not just with a great story, but also a wonderful and often simple lesson. In today’s connected world the simple pleasures can often be lost on us. Jesus teaches us this week in the Gospels about the Joy and Power of Prayer.

Like a good father, God saw that his children needed help. He decided to offer his beloved children a special gift to reveal his love. What did God give us? Not a thing, but a person—the Father’s beloved Son, Jesus. Jesus, in turn, taught us to approach God as we would approach a loving father. He gave us the words of a prayer that we call the Our Father, or the Lord’s Prayer. He teaches his disciples to be persistent in prayer.

I encourage all families to spend time in prayer together, giving thanks for all that we have, and to experience the joy that this can bring to your daily lives in a very simple way.

A Busy Term Ahead  At assembly this week I spoke of the need for complete and immediate focus from our students. Term 3 presents us with many challenges across the board and each and every student needs to ensure they are focused and ready for the challenges ahead. Specifically

- Year 12 move into their Trial HSC exams in the coming weeks
- Year 11 will have their end-of-course exams at the end of this term
- Year 10 start to prepare for senior schooling via their subject selection night this week
- Year 9 continues at a frenetic pace with students solidly focused on goals from semester 1
- Year 8 start to move into the next phase of schooling with elective choices becoming available for next year, towards the end of this term
- Both Year 7 and Year 8 have switched over their Visual Arts and Music courses and so commence an exciting new field of study for this year

I encourage all students over the coming weeks to focus on their goals and to set new targets for achievement in Semester 2. It is only by having a clear focus that we can reach the end goal.

World Youth Day – Zoe Clarke  This week we farewelled Zoe Clarke, our Youth Ministry Officer, who jetted off to Krakow, Poland, to join thousands of other young people on World Youth Day. We pray for and wish her a wonderful and faith-filled experience and look forward to her return.

Macleay Valley Food Bowl  I congratulate the Kempsey Shire Council for their efforts in promoting this initiative. It is designed to celebrate and foster the farming and agricultural community of the Macleay Valley. I will attend their inaugural dinner tomorrow night and put forward our strong position as a College to support and develop our young people in the future within the agricultural sector. Students at St Paul’s are well placed to capitalise on the opportunities this program will bring. I look forward to celebrating their successes in the future.

College Improvements  Those who have visited the campus in recent days will have seen some new additions to the grounds. A new covered walkway has been added between the Administration building and the Hall ensuring our students have a dry passage to assemblies and other events on wet days. A telephone system has also been installed in every classroom to assist administration.

Thank You  to Mrs Kristy Carney, and helpers including her husband Greg, for the beautiful mosaic cross that was completed and installed in the holidays. The Mercy Cross indicates our traditional links to the Mercy Sisters and faces the side of the College where the girls school once existed.

Congratulations Year 11 Debs  I had the pleasure of being invited as a special guest to the Macleay Debutante Ball over the holidays. Whilst this event is not officially a College event, it is still a special time in the lives of our young ladies as
St Paul’s College Kempsey

Car Boot Sale

$5 TURN TRASH INTO CASH $5

SATURDAY 13TH August 2016
ST PAUL’S COLLEGE GROUNDS
115—145 Sea Street, Kempsey

- Car entry from 6.30am
- $20 per car including trailer
- NO food or beverage stalls thank you

Open to Public from 7am

Coffee & BBQ available from P&F Stall

All Welcome!

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL!!
REGISTRATION FORMS AND TERMS & CONDITIONS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE
Email: kirvine@ism.catholic.edu.au or phone Karen (BHI) 65627200

IN SUPPORT OF
St Paul’s College
P & F Association

Many Hands Make LIGHT Work

COLLEGE CALENDAR

July
25 World Youth Day
26 Youth Film Festival
27 NAIDOC Ceremony
28 – 29 Year 10 Retreat – Coffs Harbour

August
1 – 15 HSC Trial Exams
2 ICAS English Tests
4 Country Rugby League Country Cup Under 14 and 16

CANTEEN ROSTER

25 July
Mon Gail Irvine
Tue Shalini Anand
Wed Kerry Delaforce
Thu Amanda Preston
Fri Julie Farah-Halls

1 August
Mon Jennifer Bird
Tue Amber Steger
Wed Penelope Georgas
Thu Megan Barber, Karina Daniels
Fri Julie Dyson

CANTEEN NEWS
Sports jackets in various sizes NOW $50.00.
Girl’s winter blouses in various sizes NOW $30.00.

BAKING ROSTER

25 July
Mon Gail Irvine
Tue Shalini Anand
Wed Kerry Delaforce
Thu Amanda Preston
Fri Julie Farah-Halls

1 August
Mon Jennifer Bird
Tue Amber Steger
Wed Penelope Georgas
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NEXT P & F MEETING
10 August 2016
6pm Start
School Conference Room
Administration Building
they are presented to the community on their debut. The girls were dressed beautifully and elegantly, while their male partners were dapper and very handsome. Parents and guests were delighted in the evening which was wonderfully catered for by our fantastic Hospitality staff and students.

**P & F Fundraiser – Car Boot Sale and Market** The P & F will be hosting a car-boot sale at the College during August – Saturday 13. Stall holders are invited to book a spot for $20 and sell their wares throughout the morning. The P & F will run a BBQ and will hopefully open the canteen to sell tea, coffee and cappuccino. Interested stallholders may contact Karen Irvine in the office for more details and registration forms. These are also available via our College Facebook page and web site.

**Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection** On Wednesday, all Year 10 students were taken through the process of subject selection for their senior schooling. During this time parents were also given information which will be very important when giving their 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.

God Bless

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

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Currently, the school fees **outstanding** for both our schools are as follows:

- St Joseph’s Primary School = $273,964.63
- St Pauls College = $508,986.40
- Total Outstanding = $782,951.03

Your help in keeping our schools financially viable by ensuring your fees are up to date would be deeply appreciated. If you are experiencing any difficulties meeting your fee commitment then please do not hesitate to get in touch with us on 6562 5182 as we are only too happy to assist you.

Parish Priest:  Father Paul Gooley

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### ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

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

**Parent-Teacher Evening** Parents, 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 your child’s learning. We believe it is essential that all parents take the opportunity to speak with their children’s teachers. As such, this event 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 shortly. This can also be found on the College website under ‘Parents’; ‘Parent/Teacher Evening’, or from a link on the homepage.

**Student goal setting** While academic excellence is certainly one of our main priorities here at St Paul’s, the ability for each student to achieve at their personal best is much more our true focus. Due to this, in Term 1 all students, with the help of their Pastoral Care teachers sat down and analysed their previous report in order to think about, and set, some academic goals. Following on from this, all students in Years 7-11 will once again set their academic goals for the remainder of the school year. Students are encouraged to set SMART goals. SMART goals are: Specific; Measurable; Attainable; Realistic and Timely. As in Term 1, the results of this should be written into the College Student Diary in order for students and their parents to refer to these goals, to see when minor or major smart goals have been reached, or to stay on track in achieving them. Parents, if you have not already done so, please ask your children about their goal setting. We also ask all parents to sign the completed goals in the student diary. We encourage all students to refer to these goals at times throughout the remainder of the year.

Mr Guy Campbell – Assistant Principal
Year 10 Retreat  The Year 10 Retreat will be held next Thursday and Friday at the Coffs Coast Adventure Centre. Parents, please note that it is **compulsory** for all Year 10 students to attend. Notes were sent home last term. The full cost is $115.

World Youth Day  Zoe Clarke, our Youth Ministry Officer, is participating in the World Youth Day pilgrimage to Poland over the next three weeks. You can follow Zoe’s pilgrimage on https://www.facebook.com/proclaimismorestudents/ or the website http://proclaimismorestudents.com.au/

St Aloysius Students’ Visit  Six Year 9 boys from St Aloysius College in Sydney will arrive in Kempsey 5 September and will be staying until September 16. We are looking for host families to accommodate them. Please advise Mr Tamblyn if you can help with this.

Mr Conrad Tamblyn – Leader of Evangelisation

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016

The 2016 Lismore Diocese World Youth Day Pilgrimage, led by Bishop Jarrett, departs for Poland on Tuesday, 19 July. The diocese will have forty eight pilgrims in Krakow for the week of WYD celebrations, culminating in a Mass celebrated by Pope Francis on July 28. Zoe Clarke, our Youth Ministry Officer, will be a pilgrim on this journey over the next three weeks. Please join with our school community in praying for a safe, faith-forming and spiritually renewing pilgrimage for all. We can follow the journey through pictures and blogs at these links: http://www.proclaimismorestudents.com.au/blog/ https://www.facebook.com/proclaimismorestudents/

PEDAGOGY

A really important part of a student’s learning is feedback and what to do with this feedback. At the end of the Term 2, students received their Semester Report. This is a terrific opportunity for them to read carefully, reflect upon and evaluate their efforts during the first Semester. A time for them and you as parents and guardians to see where they have achieved their personal best and/or where they can improve. In our world today, many of the students in our schools will eventually have jobs or careers that do not even exist!!! Therefore it is essential that they are able to reflect and be ready to change and improve in various aspects of their lives. Students can take many skills away from school if they are prepared to have a go and become the driver of their learning. This will ensure that they are able to succeed and become lifelong learners – a key part of the learning vision we have here at St Paul’s.

Mrs Lesa Morrison – Leader of Pedagogy

CURRICULUM

HSC Trial Examinations  Trial HSC Examinations will commence on Monday, 1 August and finish on Monday, 15 August, making Tuesday, 16 August a normal school day for Year 12. Students need to be assembled thirty minutes before exams are scheduled to start and forty five minutes before English, Mathematics and Studies of Religion exams are scheduled to start. The exam centre shuts sixty minutes after the commencement of each examination and no acceptances after this time for any reason are allowed. It is a policy of St Paul’s College that no student is to leave any HSC Trial Examination room for the complete duration of any HSC Trial Examination. If students miss any Trial Examination(s), they must contact the Leader of Curriculum (Mr Robinson) straight away and complete an Illness/Misadventure form, a copy of which can be found in the ‘HSC Assessment Guide for 2016’ available on the Colleges moodle web site.

The Trial Examinations will be held in the Edmund Rice Centre (College hall). Students do not have to attend school during Trial HSC Examinations, however they are able to use the school facilities to work, study or complete major projects with permission and supervision from their respective course teachers. All students remaining on the College grounds outside of an examination period are to be actively learning.

As the Trial Examinations are a part of the College’s internal HSC Assessment, unsupported reasons for absence will result in a zero grade. Students need to consult with their respective course teacher to determine the equipment needed for each exam. A guideline for which can be found on Page 9 of the HSC Assessment Guide for 2016.
NOTE: Students cannot borrow any equipment under examination conditions even if their equipment fails. Students are reminded that as with all HSC exams; mobile phones and electronic communication devices are not permitted in an examination room under any circumstances.

Year 10 into 11 Course Selection and Interviews  Next Tuesday, 26 July Year 10 students and their parents will be attending school for interviews with the KLA Leaders and myself in regards to suitability of senior course choices. This process is very important in order for both parents and students to have any questions or concerns answered and addressed. I would like to thank all parents who attended the Information Evening and interviews and hope that we have made a stressful and difficult process easier for you. I will be constructing elective lines using the information received on Tuesday very soon. Any course selections not received will obviously not influence the construction of these lines.

Year 9 2017 Course Selections
Year 8 into 9 Course Selections will occur in a few weeks’ time. Year 8 students will be given a Course Selection hand book and be presented with information from all relevant courses. A letter to parents will come out outlining the process.

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Students please note; all practical submissions with a completion and hand in date require the project to be handed in to the supervising teacher no later 9:00 a.m. on the above dates. The Board of Studies imposes penalties for late submissions, including zeros for no supporting evidence.

Mr Leon Robinson – Leader of Curriculum

NAIDOC WEEK
Liam Bowie, Year 12, assisted Ruby Griffen from St Joseph’s Primary, to raise the flag for the Torres Strait Islander community at the Kempsey, Macleay NAIDOC ceremony on Monday 4 July.
Ms Sharon Kelly – Aboriginal Support Officer

DRAMA REPORT
The last week of Term 2 saw the annual Kempsey Eisteddfod take place with our Drama students making it the most successful Eisteddfod yet with eight 1st’s, seven 2nd’s, five 3rd’s and eleven Highly commended. Each performance was engaging and indicated a high level of preparation and dedication. Every student should be congratulated on their efforts and commitment to their ensemble. A big thankyou to Beth McMillan for her support during the two days of Eisteddfod.

Year 11/12 Shakespearean Short play
1st – Tess Harwood, Maddison Stone–Meere and Claire Brennan
2nd – Abby Blanch, Rilee O’Loughlin and Claire Robinson
3rd – Kodie Goolagong, Owen Delaney, Hannah Shields and Ebony Hawken

Year 11/12 Shakespearean Duologue
1st – Nathan Douglas and Daniel Emery
2nd – Jacob Halam and Emily Clarke

Year 7/8/9 Short Play (self-devised)
1st – Ellen Pinkstone, Alex Czippan–Sowter, Imogen Hardy, Jake Sadler and Brooke Bermingham
2nd – Corey Gleeson, Calissa Percival, Patrick Brennan, Darcy O’Loughlin and Keely Jones
3rd – Dylan Tout, Courtney Fussell, Jessica Thomas and Claudia Bermingham
HC – Melissa Carroll, Brendan Fuller, Georgia Whyte and Felicity Shannon

Year 9/10 Shakespearean Duologue
1st – Erin Whalen and Jaynie-Lea Warwick
2nd – Georgia Whyte and Brooke Bermingham
**Secondary Impromptu Play Division 1**  
1st – Corey Gleeson, Calissa Percival, Patrick Brennan, Darcy O’Loughlin and Keely Jones  
2nd – Lara Jay, Patrick Brenton and Jakob Czippan–Sowter  
HC – Alex Czippan–Sowter, Imogen Hardy and Brooke Bermingham  
HC – Dylan Tout, Courtney Fussell, Jessica Thomas and Claudia Bermingham  
HC – Melissa Carroll, Brendan Fuller and Felicity Shannon

**Secondary Impromptu Play Division 2**  
1st – Nathan Douglas, Claire Robinson and Owen Delaney  
3rd – Kodie Goolagong, Maddison Stone–Meere, Olivia Glover and Emily Clarke  
HC – Claire Brennan, Jacob Halam, Abby Blanch and Hannah Sheilds  
HC – Tess Harwood, Rilee O’Loughlin, Ebony Hawken and Daniel Emery  
HC – Trinity Raison, Jesse Orth and Ruby Colling  
HC – Jaynie-Lea Warwick, Madeleine Rowe and Erin Whalen

**Year 9/10 Shakespearean Short Play**  
1st – Patrick Brennan, Corey Gleeson, Patrick Brenton, Alex Czippan–Sowter, Jakob Czippan–Sowter and Dylan Tout  
2nd – Lara Jay, Calissa Percival, Melissa Carroll and Imogen Hardy  
3rd – Madeleine Rowe, Trinity Raison and Jesse Orth

**Year 10/11/12 Short Play (self-devised)**  
1st – Tess Harwood, Rilee O’Loughlin, Ebony Hawken and Daniel Emery  
2nd – Nathan Douglas, Claire Robinson and Owen Delaney  
3rd – Claire Brennan, Jacob Halam, Abby Blanch and Hannah Sheilds  
HC – Kodie Goolagong, Maddison Stone–Meere, Olivia Glover and Emily Clarke  
HC – Madeleine Rowe, Erin Whalen, Jaynie-Lea Warwick and Jakob Czippan–Sowter  
HC – Trinity Raison, Jesse Orth and Ruby Colling

**GEOGRAPHY REPORT**

**Cassegrain Field Trip**  
On Thursday, 16 June, the Year 12 Geography class completed field work activities at Cassegrain Wines.  
As part of the course, the students studied the Global Wine Industry and undertook a local study on a winery. During the time spent at the winery, they were given a thorough explanation and tour of all the various aspects of the industry under the guidance of Alex Cassegrain.  
We appreciate the valuable time and expertise that Alex gave us, all of which led to increased knowledge in this area.  
**Mrs Lesa Morrison – Geography Teacher**

**Geography Field Trip**  
A group of eager Year 12 Geography students and two teachers caught the midnight train on Wednesday, 22 June, and headed to Sydney. A part of the Geography course is the study of Sydney (a large developed city) and Pyrmont. The aim of the field trip was twofold: to gain practical knowledge and application of the theory learnt in class, as well ensuring that the students were able to get around Sydney without guidance from anyone. They used various means of public transport to travel to and from various suburbs, such as Parramatta, Cabramatta, Bondi Junction, Pyrmont and Dulwich Hill. A big thank you goes to Melinda Pavey (Member for Oxley) for organising the students to meet the Ministers for Transport and Infrastructure, Andrew Constance, and Minister for Planning Rob Stokes.  
During this time, the students were quite amazed at what happens at Question Time. We were very fortunate in that Mr Constance spent some time explaining what was
happening within his area in the future. Also two people from the office of Rob Stokes spent a considerable length of time with the students. We really appreciated the time given up by them people to speak to class (not a usual occurrence).

A couple of unexpected experiences were time spent at Channel 7 and being interviewed by Channel Ten news.

A big thank you to the Geography class who were great ambassadors for our College, and to Mr Lewis. It was terrific to have another keen geographer on the trip.

Mrs Lesa Morrison – Geography Teacher

**** LIBRARY MATTERS ****

Premier’s Reading Challenge  We have less than one month to go until the Challenge ends on August 19 (Week 5). Congratulations to Rhys Gleeson (Year 7) and Brooke Bermingham and Gymea Brown (Year 9) who, having finished, take our total number of completions to eight. Others are seriously close to signing off so don’t miss the boat. Remember, apart from the simple joy of reading, every successful participant earns fifty points for their house. And if you don’t think you’ll make it, keep going anyway, because you’ll earn two points for each book you’ve managed to read. Statistically, here are the latest figures: Total = 58; Online = 57; Complete = 8; Withdrawals = 8; Books Read = 637 (and of these, well over half have been read by Miss Clarke’s 9/1 English class).

Library Hours - HSC Trials  We’ll be open from 7.30 to 4.30 for the next three weeks for any Year 12 students who’d like to use the facilities in preparation for their Trial exams. That includes free OJ. And good luck, by the way.

Ipad-Free Zone  Juniors please note: because of the upcoming trials, we’ll be an iPad-Free Zone for the next three weeks before school and during breaks, unless they’re being used for legitimate reading or study.

Overdues  Nothing has changed. Get them in. Save the school (and ultimately yourselves) money. Earn House Points!

Happy Reading!

Mr Peter Garty – Teacher/Librarian 😊

**** STUDENT SERVICES ****

Homework Club: Homework Club is continuing every Wednesday afternoon from 3.25 pm till 4.25 pm in Student Services. Students can complete homework or assignments with the support of a teacher and with access to computers and reference books. The Library will also be open five days a week until 4.30. All students are welcome and encouraged to make use of this valuable service. Those being picked up should do so from the car park behind the Science Block.

Please complete the form below and return it to the Student Services Centre.

Mrs Jan Stubbs – Additional Needs Teacher

I give permission for ................................................to attend Homework Club on Wednesday afternoons.

He/she will be collected/ walk home (cross out whichever does not suit).

Parent’s name: .......................................................... Phone no.: ..................................................

Parent’s signature: ......................................................

Mrs Jan Stubbs – Additional Needs Teacher

**** SPORT NEWS ****

Welcome back to what promises to be a very busy term for sport. This week we have students competing at the NSW School Surfing Titles, NSW Netball Cup, 7-10 Lismore Diocese Football Gala Day, NSW All Schools Cross Country and, of course, our annual College Athletics Carnival. Stay tuned to our next newsletter for their results. We wish them well.

Horse Sports  Last term, St Paul’s was represented at the NSW Interschools Championship in Sydney. Our students competing were Emily Shannon, Lara Jay, Amber Steger, Brianna Crafty and Erin Whalen. All the girls should be proud of themselves on their efforts and sportsmanship as they were competing against some of the best riders in NSW. Some results to note are:
Emily Shannon placed 6th in her dressage 1.2 test. Brianna Crotty placed 2nd in her dressage 1.2 test, 1.3 test and 60cm combined training, and 5th in two show horse sections. She also was awarded 2nd overall for her dressage.

Congratulations to all the girls and a big thank you to their parents who travelled with them to Sydney.

Girls Rugby League. On Thursday, 23 June, our rugby league girls continued their efforts at the regional finals held in Coffs Harbour. Our 16 Year team lost games against Toormina High and St Joseph’s Banora Point, and won against Maclean High and Melville High. Our Year 7/8 team lost to Melville High and Toormina High and were successful against Maclean High.

Congratulations to Jessica Grant and Chantaye Ritchie who received Player of the Day Awards from the NRL. Well done to all the girls and thank you to their coaches, Mr Moorehead and Mr Stocks, for their time and efforts.

Coming Events:
Lismore Diocesan Athletics Carnival, Coffs Harbour, 18 August 2016
Miss Dianne Lawrence and Scott Edwards – Sports Co-ordinators
POSITIVE VACANT – PARISH SECRETARY
MACLEAY VALLEY CATHOLIC PARISH

An experienced Secretary is required on a part-time basis 65 hours per fortnight to provide secretarial support for the Parish by efficiently organizing and maintaining the Parish Office.

Criteria:

- The ability to work within the mission/values of the Catholic Church
- Able to maintain all Parish registers, produce a number of rosters and publications, maintain parish website and deal with all enquires.
- Must also be able to deal sensitively with people seeking assistance.
- Must be experienced in using the full complement of Microsoft Office applications especially Publisher.
- Have excellent communication skills
- Be able to work to a deadline and meet priorities
- Have a high level of attention to detail
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Bookkeeping skills/experience in MYOB/Quickbooks

Please submit resume and covering letter addressing the above selection criteria to: Diocesan Human Resource/WHS Manager Ms. Toni Russell P.O Box 1 Lismore NSW 2480 or email to: trussell@lismore.catholic.org.au. No later than COB 8 August 2016.