Our Theme - “The Joy of the Gospel-Putting our Faith in to action”

Sunday 20 November, 2016 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – “...Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom...” (Lk 23:35-43)

Dear Parents, Guardians, Care Givers, Grandparents and Students,

Two questions to start of my Pride Report this fortnight. This Sunday is Feast of Christ the King – it was conceived by Pope Pius XI in 1925.
1) As we approach Advent and Christmas – why are we listening to the Gospel of the Crucifixion?
2) Does this Sunday mark the end of the year?

Answer

Yes - the feast of Christ the King does mark the end of the liturgical year and the end of the year-long journey through the gospel of Luke. Given that the second half of the gospel is a physical and psychological journey towards Jerusalem and the death that awaits Jesus there, it is fitting that the final reading for the liturgical year is the crucifixion.

An Invitation – Please click the link to see your invitation!

It is fitting as we move from the closure of the liturgical year – we move into Advent, in spiritual preparation for the birth of Jesus, the College will mark this season in a special and unique liturgy in our diocese. On Tuesday 29th November the College will have as its guests over 1000 local primary students, staff and parents joining our community in the Road to Bethlehem – A liturgical Pilgrimage. (Please view the Invitation some of our talented students put together). This liturgy marks our 60th Anniversary in a way that involves a large part of our community – particularly our Catholic community. The 60 years of Catholic education at St Leo’s has involved many thousands of people in building this faith filled, learning community. This liturgy will reflect the hard work and constant prayers of these generations of people.
As a Catholic school in the tradition of Blessed Edmund Rice the ‘Road to Bethlehem’ seeks to:

- Embrace our call to **Liberating Education** that opens the hearts and minds of our community through our Gospel Spirituality.
- It seeks to invite all people into the living story of Jesus and strive to make His message of **compassion, justice and peace** a living reality within our community.
- As an **Inclusive Community** we open our gates to our parish, feeder schools and McQuoin Park Retirement Village to share our story of faith.
- **Committed to Justice and Solidarity**, the collections raised at ‘The Road to Bethlehem’ will be used to support the ongoing partnership of solidarity between St Leo’s and Kiribati.

We hope many of you can join the present, past and future community representatives – at either the 10am or 1pm liturgy on Tuesday 29th November. Both will be conducted on the College Quadrangle.

**College Assembly** – “What does your 1% look like at school, in your faith, relationships, in your studies, even wearing your uniform?”

At our last College Assembly we recognised and congratulated many of our students for the achievements they have worked towards and those that reached their goals in curricular and co-curricular activities.

I spoke to the students that if they could add just 1% more to how they do things – it will go a long way to improvement. I used the Mr Dave Brailsford – the General Manager and Performance Director of Team Sky (Great Britain’s Professional Cycling team). Here is a link to that [presentation speech](#) (images). I have also attached one of our student’s performing at the Assembly – Matteo in Year 7. Enjoy! [Assembly Performance](#)

**Announcing Two Nominations for ArtExpress 2017**

Last week I received fantastic news that two of our students have been nominated for ArtExpress 2017– **Lance Bautista** (for his Body of Work- Transcendence) and **Ryan Macri** (Poisonous Ink).
Monique Gaul, Erin Hughes and Holden Osborne-Snell (who are all intending to study Fine Arts or Art History at UNSW Art & Design - formerly COFA next year). They all gained a place due to the strength of their Visual Arts Portfolios.

Well done to these students – but also to our Visual Arts staff, under the leadership of Ms Juliette Carson.

Welcome – Kiribati Visitors this week
This Wednesday we have the honour of welcoming Ms Sue Ryan (Principal of Sacred Heart College in Kiribati) as she returns to PALMS for some meetings. Sue and her whole school community have welcomed us for the past two years giving our students and staff deep insight into their life and the current issues facing the people of Kiribati. Her next mission is a school in Papua New Guinea.

We will be saying thank you to Sue with a College Assembly and her “student and staff guests” from the past two years will be joining me for lunch.

Thanks to Sue and her staff – we have a very strong and sustainable connection with Sacred Heart College so as we are able to provide our students with this invaluable social justice experience.

Duke of Edinburgh Scheme – Another Gold Award Announced
Last edition of The Pride we congratulated Cameron Neville and Wilson Murphy – (Year 12 2016) who completed all the many requirements for the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award. I am very pleased to add a third member to this list of excellence – Daniel Jones also of Year 12 (2016). These students will be presented to the Governor of NSW at a yet to be announced date.

They are great role models for our 36 other younger (Year 9 upwards) students who are currently moving through their Bronze and Silver Award programs.

Congratulations to some of our Year 9 students–Putting their Faith into Action
Bede Patterson, Tiana Charlton, Marco Princi, Megan Nitzsche, Imogen Cull, Pearlyn John Britto, Hugh Cook, India Harpham, Emily Kiss, Jacob Leavy, Cameron Lobo, Brandon Main, Aramis Malouf, Natasha Nichols and Liam Payne who are visiting the residents from McQuoin Park – establishing a great relationship with our elderly members of the community. The students ran a Remembrance Day ceremony for these folk. It was very well received. Well done!
NSW Touch Competition and EQUIP Debating at NSW State Library

Last Friday the good news just kept coming.

Besides some awesome efforts in our Years 7 & 8 NSW Touch Competition – our EQUIP Debaters won their competition.

Our debaters – on their arrival – and after their comprehensive win! Their faces and body movements – say it all! Well done to all the students and teachers who trained and supervised.

Our winning debaters were Ella Barrett, Veronica Smith, Freja Bennett and Alex Turk, all of Year 9.

Our Year 7, 2015 team (top) and our Year 8, 2016 team with additional players
Student (and Parent) Voice - Canteen Survey
I have asked the College Captains to conduct a survey so we can present some feedback to our canteen contractor. Both Rohan and Sarah have put together this short survey (4 questions) to evaluate how the first year has gone with our current contractors. Have your say! It will be closed at the end of this week – here is the link.

Mr AF Gleeson
Principal

“...Do all you can to assist and love one another...”
St Mary of the Cross Mackillop (28/1/1890)

Assistant Principal
Remembrance Day Ceremony
The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month marks a significant event that led towards the end of the First World War, and has since become our national day of Remembrance for all those who have suffered for Australia’s cause in armed conflicts. Last Friday students and teachers gathered together as a school community in a special ceremony led by student leaders at the College. As is the tradition at the College Fr Borg laid a wreath in front of our ANZAC Garden in recognition of the men and women who fought and gave their lives in war.

I would like to thank Mr Gallagher, Mrs Prosser and the student leaders for their preparation of this ceremony.

Examination Blocks
Well done to Year 10 on their preparation for their Yearly examinations last week. Year 7 – 9 commence their examination block this week. A reminder that Information for Parents about upcoming Assessment Tasks is available on the Curriculum page of the College website. The following is a link to the page: http://www.stleos.nsw.edu.au/our-curriculum/assessmenttasks/.

The Assessment pages are accessed using the password: leoscommunity.

Year 11 Academic Awards Assembly
During our Assembly next Tuesday 22nd November we will be celebrating the academic efforts and achievements of students across the Year 11 Preliminary course. All parents are invited to attend, with special invitations to the parents of award winners being sent this week.

Year in Review
At the end of every year the College holds a Year in Review. This activity celebrates the efforts and achievements of students at the College. This will occur at 11:30am on Tuesday 13th December in The Light of Christ Centre. All students will be expected to attend, as it is a normal school day.
We wish to issue an invitation to family members of our students and friends of the College to this significant end of school year activity. Invitation to award winners will be sent prior to the event.

At the end of every year the College holds a Year in Review. The planning has already started to make this a true celebration of the many wonderful things about St Leo’s and a great acknowledgment of student efforts and achievements throughout the year. The ceremony will occur at 11.30am on Tuesday 13th December in The Light of Christ Centre. All students will be expected to attend, as it is a normal school day.

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Academic Awards will be presented to students at a special Assembly at the start of 2017. This way we are able to acknowledge the academic achievements of the Class of 2016 at the same time.

**Swimming Carnival**
This Year’s Swimming Carnival will occur on Friday 25th November. This is an important whole school event. All students are expected to attend on the day. If your son/daughter is absent on the day, the College expects a Doctor’s Certificate on the day of return. This is an important community event and I would ask all parents to support the College in ensuring that your son/daughter attends on the day.

**Short Term Car Spots**
Temporary short-term car spots have been established for parents on the corner of Windarra Crescent and Woolcott Avenue. Parents are able to turn left into the College through the gate nearest to the College reception and park in front of the Bollards for periods up to 20 minutes.

**College App**
I would encourage all parents (if you haven’t already) to download the College App - Skoolbag. The College regularly sends out important messages on the App. The App is FREE and in both IOS (Apple) and ANDROID versions. You can download Skoolbag either from the “Google Shop”, “The App Store” or “Windows Mobile” using the links below:

**iPhone/iPad**

**Android**

**Windows mobile**

Or simply type in St Leo’s Skoolbag into Google or App Store.
College Calendar
The College Calendar, listing all upcoming events is now available on the College Website. This provides an up-to-date list of all events and provides details about these events. You can access the calendar by clicking on the following link http://www.stleos.nsw.edu.au/calendar/ or following the link on the front page of the St Leo’s website.

Year 9 visits to McQuoin Park

Year 9s have been using their feet to reach out in mercy to visit the elderly at McQuoin Park Aged Care Facility. Each Wednesday fortnight a group of about 10 students heads over to spend time with the residents, an arrangement that has brought a lot of joy to all involved. The students help bring the residents across to the Chapel and join them for Mass. They then take them to the dining room and help serve food and chat away. After lunch they assist taking the residents back to their room or over to a common area – bingo and choir have been popular afternoon activities this year.

Some students have been so moved by this experience that they have received permission to visit McQuoin Park in their own time, after school, around three times a week. “I go to help those in need. They spend their whole lives there, some have no families. The joy they get out of seeing young faces lightens my spirit and makes it all worthwhile,” says Marco.

Pope Francis says that: “Abandonment is the most serious ‘illness’ of the elderly, and also the greatest injustice they can suffer: those who helped us to grow must not be abandoned when they need our help, our love and our tenderness.” While visiting a nursing home can be confronting at first, it is wonderful to see our students relaxing as they get to know the residents, serve them and listen to their stories.

Another student, Bede, has also been regularly visiting McQuoin Park after school this year. A few weeks ago he took his bagpipes in to play for them on a Saturday – they were so impressed that they invited him to play for their Remembrance Day Service last Friday. Megan, Pearlyn, Imogen and Marco also came - they assisted the residents get to the Chapel from their rooms (wheeling or walking them) and handed out poppies and rosemary at the door.
It was a privilege to be there with Bede. He played so beautifully that there were people literally in tears. Bede played traditional songs that the residents could relate to and made the service especially moving: He slow marched in to Abide With Me, played Waltzing Matilda during the service and Amazing Grace at the end. Wow! The following is an email sent following the event:

“My name is Jade and I’m the leisure & Lifestyle officer here at McQuoin Park Waitara. We have had some of your students come and visit our residents throughout the year which our residents have enjoyed immensely. Today we celebrated Remembrance Day and was attended not only by our residents but also our staff and the community centre. They were not expecting the sound of Bede playing the bagpipes - I don’t think there was a dry eye in the chapel! We would like to give great thanks to Bede for playing his bagpipes as the residents were very moved by his playing. St Leo’s should be very proud of their students. As they show great respect for our residents and their families, so well done! A big thanks to Ralph and Adrian for arranging these visits with the students, looking forward to the new year and having more students come and spend time with our residents.”
‘Salvation begins with your feet’.

As we draw to the end of our liturgical journey for 2016 with the Feast of Christ the King this Sunday, our feet should be aching! This Year at St Leo’s we have focused on living the theme ‘Faith in action’. This theme was aimed at staff, students and families recognising that the terms ‘Catholic’ and ‘Christian’ are verbs – doing words – our actions and relationships should reflect that sacrificial and unconditional love that is the beating heart of our faith and the central cog that turns the liturgical calendar wheel. The ‘verb’ nature of our faith informs the mind, inspires the heart in order for us to transform the world. That requires us to ‘step up’ and ‘step out’ – to step up and be the voice of the voiceless and to step out and do something about it – to be a Eucharistic people is to be an ‘active’ people moved by and with the Spirit.

On 12th November, Thomas Peregrina from Year 12 and Georgia Peregrina of Year 9 participated in a charity swim for a swimmer from the local community who had recently been diagnosed with bone cancer. Swimmers formed teams of 10 – 12 people and completed a Swimathon that lasted 12 consecutive hours. The Swim started at 6:00 pm Saturday night and finished 6:00 am Sunday morning. As a result the swimming community raised a total of $25,000 to support the family concerned. Georgia in between her relays returned to her school books and continued to study in the stands. After receiving no sleep Thomas arrived at Hornsby Library on Sunday with his assessment in hand to join a St Leo’s Studies of Religion Extension Workshop. Stories of students such as these that live and love sacrificially are testament to the lived expression of our faith at St Leo’s. It is this transformational element that is the ‘Leo’s factor’ – it is the synergy of mind, heart and spirit that sets St Leo’s and Catholic schools apart from educational competitors. It is stories like this where an breakable spirit within both these students have entered in Year 7, been nurtured, challenged and inspired that results in a transformed person who will leave the college to transform the world.

Such discipleship is also exemplified by Sarah Chahine of Year 12. Catholic Identity leader and recently published author in the book ‘My first lesson’ edited by Alice Pung as part of the Melbourne Writers Festival, Sarah’s story shares the profound effect that volunteering with the St Vincent de Paul night patrol had on her, and the transformational imprint it has left. Such an imprint has led her to growing her hair to be cut and donated for the creation of wigs for those suffering cancer and the loss of hair due to medical treatments. The regular ‘pop up’ of quiet and humble behind the scenes discipleship such as this is a constant thread woven into the tapestry of life at St Leo’s.

A recent interview on the ABC with regards to the ministry with the homeless by the Wayside Chapel, was centred on the phrase ‘salvation begins with your feet’. This theological gem reminds us that in order to access the salvation and eternal life that Jesus earned for us through the giving of His life on the Cross, we need to pay forward such sacrificial love. We need to move it from an emotion to an action. If we wish to journey home to our heavenly homeland, our first step needs to be one that leads us to someone on the fringe.
As we welcome our Kiribati Partnership Principal Sue Ryan from Sacred Heart College Kiribati this week, we have an opportunity to reflect on the feet that have moved to make such immersions and transformational experiences possible. The feet that led Sue from a life of comfort to an isolated archipelago that faces enormous challenges is another example of the Gospel call to ‘move our feet’.

As we begin the countdown to our ‘Road to Bethlehem Liturgical Pilgrimage’ on the 29th November, we reflect on the Holy Family as refugees that flee persecution by Herod. Joseph awakes from a dream filled with warning from Archangel Gabriel to leave for Egypt or face death. His feet blister on the desert sand while Mary and Jesus are carried safely on the back of the donkey. Joseph loves sacrificially – a Christian’s feet were made for walking! May our feet, hands and minds begin actively working and walking towards a world where refugees become welcomed members of the Australian family. Organisations such as ACRATH offer concrete ways in which you can actively make a difference. The link is below. This week illustrates a ‘feet theme’ by highlighting 500 Buddhist Nuns who rode a 4000 km ‘awareness raising’ bike ride to highlight the human trafficking in the region. Our Buddhist brothers and sisters offer a reminder to put our faith into action!

http://acrath.org.au/

God bless

Daniel Petrie
Director of Evangelisation and Catholic Formation
Pride Extras
EQUIP Debating
On Friday the 11th of November four of our Year 9 students participated in the finale of the EQUIP Debating program. This program run by the Lebanese Muslim Association encourages participants to explore issues such as social justice, racism, prejudice, discrimination, stereotypes identity and more. This is done through the medium of debating.

Over 5 weeks, workshops were run at the college for Year 9 and 10 debating students and culminated in a competition at the State Library. Our Year 9 team, competing against teams from the Australian Islamic College Sydney and Macarthur College, won their round one debate “that globalisation has improved the world” arguing the negative and moved on to the finals arguing the affirmative to “Is Australia racist?”.

Our team made up of 1st speaker Ella Barrett, 2nd speaker Freja Bennett, 3rd speaker Veronica Smith supported by Alex Turk were awarded the trophy for winning the finals. Throughout the day these four students conducted themselves with grace, intelligence and composure. They were a credit to themselves, their families and the College.

From the Mathematics Department
Maths Help
Maths Help is on every Monday afternoon till 4pm in the library. All students are welcome to attend.

Year 8 Maths Problem Solving Day
On Friday 4th November Year 8 enjoyed a Maths Problem Solving Day. Working in pairs, students were challenged with problems to solve and received strategies along the way to assist them. Besides Maths being a winner on the day, several groups of students won chocolate for winning competitions. All students are to be commended on their enthusiasm and participation on the day.
Mathematics Competitions
This year we have had two external Mathematics competitions run through school. All students who participated received a certificate. The following students received their certificates at a recent assembly.

UNSW Global Competition
Year 7 Credit: Joshua Fransen, Rachel Glendenning, Cody Grant.
Year 9 Credit: Joshua D'Souza, Ye-Qun Feng, Don Vila.
Year 9 Distinction: Daniel Sheppard, Jaeden Vila.

Australian Mathematics Competition
Year 7 Credit: Joshua Fransen.
Year 7 Distinction: Dasha Valle (Best in School), Matteo Persechino.
Year 8 Credit: Samuel Molloy.
Year 9 Credit: Justin Chou, Ian D'Souza, Joshua D'Souza.
Year 10 Credit: Thomas Barrington-Molloy, Ben Batchelor, Camille Chin, Amy Cornale, Thomas Drum, Charlotte Gamble, Thomas Trelloar, Stephanie Yu.
Year 10 Distinction: Ashley Funk, Elise Hardy, Jessica Knight.
Year 11 Credit: James Roworth, Andrew Samuel, Isaak Smith.
Year 11 Distinction: Adam Stibilj.

Sport Report

Cricket – Northern Districts Cup
The annual Northern Districts 20/20 Cup competition started on Friday 4\textsuperscript{th} November with our first round opponents being Normanhurst Boys at Headon Park. After winning the toss we sent Normanhurst into bat first, with the thinking behind this from Captains Mark Tobin and Josh Hayes that it gave the Leo’s boys the opportunity to pace their chase when batting later in the day.

The boys were sensational in the field and even though the Normanhurst Boys gained momentum in the middle overs, Year 12 student Nathan Guptill turned the game in St Leo’s favour in one taking 2 wickets. Normanhurst made 113, which was a good total but we knew that if we were able to concentrate and bat well it was an achievable total.
The run chase didn’t start great and an early top order batting collapse had us 4-46 after 12 overs. The boys needed a leader and Captain Mark Tobin went to the crease and along with Mason Francis they needed 50 off the last 5 overs for progression to the quarterfinals. With Mark making 52, and Mason 25 the runs were made with 3 balls to spare.

Some standout performances with both bat and ball included:
- Mark Tobin 52
- Mason Francis 25
- Michael Phoebus 18
- Nathan Gup till 3-27 off 4 overs

Good luck in the Quarterfinals.

**BBSSSA Tennis**

Two weeks ago the Broken Bay Tennis Competition was held at Queenwood Tennis Academy in Oxford Falls. St Leo’s sent 6 teams from the divisions and had great success. In the Open Boys final we had a young Year 10 team comprising of Lyndon Frykberg, Jacques Godbold and Tom Gohl playing against our more experienced Year 12 students of Mason Francis, Lachlan Rose, and Anthony Graham and the younger boys came away with a win, and the opportunity to represent the school and Diocese at next year’s NSWCCC in Bathurst. As well as this on the day the Under 15 Boys were runners-up. Well done to all students who represented with College with great spirit and pride.

**BBSSSA Beach Volleyball**

On the same day as the Broken Bay Tennis event, we had our Open Boys and Girls Beach Volleyball teams compete at the picturesque and iconic Manly Beach. On the day the students played extremely well, with the Open Girls narrowly losing their semi-final, and the Open Boys after finishing the regular pool matches in 2nd won their semi-final and faced at strong Mater Maria team and after getting the upper hand a few mistakes led to a narrow lose. Well done to all students, and also a big thank you to Mr Byatt for coaching and looking after the students on the day.

**Year 7/8 NSW All Schools Touch Football**

Last Thursday the Year 7/8 Boys Touch Football represented the College and the Manly Warringah District at the NSW Touch State Championships. Earlier in the year the boys qualified to compete after a strong performance at the Manly Qualifying event. The boys and coaches (Mr Privett and Simon) travelled to North Parramatta and played extremely well.
The boys faced a strong Patrician Brothers Blacktown side in the first game and were beaten, but bounced back with a strong performance against Narrabeen Sports High and after dominating possession went down 3-2. The boys knew that they needed to win their remaining matches and hope for results to go their way to make the finals and won their remaining matches against Red Bend 5-2, and Marian 6-2. Results unfortunately didn't go their way and the boys missed out on the quarter finals by 1 try, and this was also the difference between qualifying for the National Championships later in the year.

Well done boys, I am sure that you will come back bigger and stronger for next year's competition.

Swimming Carnival
On the 25th November the College Swimming carnival will be held at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. Students have had the opportunity to enter championship events over the last few weeks, and the entries officially close on Tuesday morning. Please refer to the following page for information relating to the Carnival.

Upcoming Events and Next Pride
- Cricket
- Swimming Carnival

For more information on any of the upcoming competitions, or to find out more information about a particular sport, or to inform the College about recent sporting performances outside the College please don’t hesitate to contact me michael.kember@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Michael Kember
Dear Parents / Caregivers,

The annual College Swimming Carnival will take place on Friday, 25th November 2016 at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. Students will be required to make their own way to and from the venue.

The College Carnival will officially start at 9.00am and finish at approximately 2.30pm. Students will be required to assemble outside of the Hornsby Aquatic Centre in their Tutor Group lines no later then 8.30am for Roll Call. Another roll will be taken at the conclusion of the event.

Trains that will ensure students get to Hornsby Station before 8.30am are as follows:

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As indicated at the time of your child’s enrolment, attendance on carnival days is compulsory. Students who are absent due to illness on the day will require a doctor’s certificate or other documentation to be returned to their Year Leader upon their return to school. If your child is absent on the day please contact the College between 8.30am and 9.00am. If students do not arrive at the pool, the College will contact parents throughout the morning.

Students are expected to wear full sports uniform. In keeping with tradition Year 12 are permitted to wear fancy dress to support their house. This should be tasteful and non-offensive. Swimming apparel should be one-piece costumes for girls (Girls may wear board shorts over their swimmers). Boys are able to wear speedos or skins.

There is a canteen at the pool complex, but students are advised it is best to bring their own lunch and water.

Students need to ensure that they do not bring electronic equipment such iPods, iPads, or laptops to the event. These items will be taken for safe keeping by Mr Mahoney. Parents will need to make an appointment to arrange a suitable time to collect these items. Students should have all property clearly labelled with their name.

Novelty equipment/devices such as water pistols, noise-makers etc will also not be acceptable. These items will be confiscated and NOT returned, as they are banned items.

I would encourage parents to attend the carnival and support the school in what promises to be a highly enjoyable day.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Kember
Leader of Sport
St Leo’s Catholic College
Community News
Sustainable School Shop
Year end is in sight and now is the time to consider buying and selling second-hand textbooks and uniforms.

Sustainable School Shop provides the second-hand textbook and uniform trading system for the school. Our school’s 2016 booklist/textbook information for years 11 and 12 has been uploaded and is ready to use on the Sustainable School Shop website.

To get started, go to www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au and either register as a parent or log-in if you’re already registered.
The school and the Diocese both independently and through its schools collects personal information, including sensitive information about students and parents or guardians before and during the course of a student’s enrolment at the school. This may be in writing or in the course of conversations. The primary purpose of collecting this information is to enable the school to provide schooling to students enrolled at the school, exercise its duty of care, and perform necessary associated administrative activities, which will enable students to take part in all the activities of the school.

Some of the information we collect is to satisfy the school’s legal obligations, particularly to enable the school to discharge its duty of care.

Laws governing or relating to the operation of schools require certain information to be collected and disclosed. These include education, public health and child protection laws.

Health information about students is sensitive information within the terms of the Australian Privacy Principles under the Privacy Act. We may ask you to provide medical reports about your child from time to time.

If we do not obtain the information referred to above, we may not be able to enrol or continue the enrolment of your son/daughter.

The school may disclose personal and sensitive information for educational, administrative and support purposes. This may include:
- Other schools and teachers at those schools
- Government departments and agencies
- The Catholic Schools Office
- The Catholic Education Commission NSW
- The Diocese of Broken Bay and its parishes
- Medical practitioners
- People providing educational, support and health services to the school, including specialist visiting teachers, sports coaches, volunteers, counsellors and providers of learning and assessment tools
- Assessment and educational authorities, including the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority
- People providing administrative and financial services to the school
- Anyone you authorise the school to disclose information to
- Anyone to whom the school is required or authorised to disclose the information to by law, including child protection laws

Personal information collected from students is regularly disclosed to their parents or guardians. On occasions information such as academic and sporting achievements, student activities and similar news is published in school newsletters, magazines and on our website. This may include photographs and videos of pupil activities such as sporting events, school camps and school excursions. The school will obtain permissions annually from the pupil’s parent or guardian (and from the student if appropriate) if we would like to include such photographs or videos (or other identifying material) in our promotional material or otherwise make this material available to the public such as on the internet.

Parents may seek access to personal information collected about them and their son/daughter by contacting the school. Older students may also seek access to personal information about themselves. However, access may be refused in certain circumstances such as where access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others, where access may result in a breach of the school’s duty of care to the student, or where students have provided information in confidence. Any refusal will be notified in writing with reasons, if appropriate.

The school from time to time engages in fundraising activities. Information received from you may be used to make an appeal to you. It may also be disclosed to organisations that assist in the school’s fundraising activities solely for that purpose. We will not disclose your personal information to third parties for their own marketing purposes without your consent.
DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP & CYBERSAFETY EDUCATION FOR PARENTS

Parents of children in systemic schools in the Diocese of Broken Bay are invited to join a free online Digital Citizenship and Cybersafety Education webinar that will be held from 8:00 pm – 8:40 pm on Wednesday 23rd November 2016.

The webinar will be hosted online by the Catholic Schools Office, Diocese of Broken Bay and will be facilitated by Greg Gebhart from the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner.

**Time:** 8:00 – 8:40 pm

**Date:** Wednesday 23rd November 2016

**Technical Requirements:** Any internet enabled device

**Registration:** Register to attend the webinar at [https://goo.gl/dvqzXh](https://goo.gl/dvqzXh) before 8:00pm 23rd November 2016

Download the free **Parent’s Guide to Online Safety** from the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner at [https://goo.gl/k5kCHD](https://goo.gl/k5kCHD) or the free **Parenting Online Infographic** at [https://goo.gl/xDO4P9](https://goo.gl/xDO4P9)

Please contact john.hession@dbb.catholic.edu.au for further information.
Dear Parents, Grandparents, Caregivers, ex-Students, Students and other members of the Hornsby North Public School Community.

You are invited to attend a very special commemorative event to recognise 50 years of Hornsby North Public School.

Celebrating 50 Years 1966 - 2016

Drop by **3.30-6.30pm Friday 18 November 2016** to visit Hornsby North Public School and:

- reminisce with old friends and teachers
- take a walk back in time with the HNPS historic memorabilia display
- take some candid snaps at the photo booth (BYO camera/phone)
- add your memories to the registration book
- share the Anniversary cake (official cutting at 5pm)
- purchase commemorative merchandise
- view the 50th Jubilee Tree and purchase an engraved brass leaf, a lifelong memorial of your time at HNPS.

Bring your own picnic.

Light refreshments available.

**Please reply to assist with catering:** Fill out the form below and hand in at the school office by **3.30pm Wed 16 November 2016**

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**RSVP – Official School 50th Anniversary Celebration OPEN AFTERNOON**

YES - Attending the Open Afternoon:

No. of Adults__________________ No. of Children________________