Dear Parents and Friends of St Clare’s

On Wednesday the Principal’s panel interviewed eight candidates for the positions of School Captain and School Vice-Captain. The panel included staff members Jamaya Pearse and Catherine Eady Student Representative Council Coordinators, Year 11 Co-ordinator Bronwen Davidson, present School Captain Ellen Forbes and myself. The interviews with the panel were run on formal lines. Candidates were given the panel’s questions fifteen minutes before their scheduled interview time to allow them to overcome nerves and present themselves and their ideas to the best of their abilities.

All the candidates interviewed well and showed an impressive level of commitment to the school, their peers and their studies.

Following much discussion the Principal’s Panel made a series of recommendations to the school executive which were accepted. Consequently I am delighted to announce that Thomas Dormor and Isabella Blenkin will serve as School Captains and Declan Moylan and Casey Griffiths will be our School Vice Captains for 2016.

The HSC major works in a number of subjects become due in weeks 5 to 7 of term 3. This week projects in wood and both individual and group drama performances were marked by visiting HSC examiners. The major works are work intensive for all parents, students and teachers and many a teacher and family heave a sigh of relief when the works arrive completed on time.

I have had the pleasure of viewing the drama, visual arts, wood and music projects over the past 2 weeks and have been impressed by the time and level of commitment that students and staff have put into the successful completion of these complex works. There have been a lot of late nights and extra days worked in the holidays and on weekends to ensure that the ‘works’ have been completed to the best of the students ability.

Parents and students who have had time to visit the visual arts display and view the wood projects or see the drama performance can’t help but be impressed at the wonderful efforts of staff to help and enable their students to make their vision come to life.

Our HSC music students face the examiners soon. I know they have been putting in big hours after school and on weekends. I thank all our staff for their continued commitment to helping our students get the most out of themselves.

On Thursday awards were given to students who had recorded outstanding results in the first half of the year. It was pleasing to see a good number of parents and family at the Year Level.
Award Ceremonies to share in the acknowledgement of academic success of our students. Thanks to parents and staff all for their continued efforts to help our young people make the most of their skills and talents.

This week we held our P and F meeting at St Joseph’s Wingham. A big thankyou to Principal Emma Timmins for hosting us at the school and to the P and F exec who travelled to Wingham for the meeting. The next P and F meeting will be at St Clare’s in the library at 6 pm on 21/10.

God Bless

YR 7 FIRST PLACE SUBJECT AWARD WINNERS

Jim Brown

Charlotte Hogan

Ivan Heng and Tess Montague
**PRAYERS:** Please pray for those who are currently experiencing health difficulties and continue to pray for community members experiencing challenges, pain, sickness and grief in their lives at this time.

**CHAPLAINCY/PASTORAL CARE:** A reminder to all that the school has a Chaplain. Please feel free to contact our Chaplain, Deacon Vince Ryan, through the school office if he can be of assistance to you or any member of our whole school community.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM AT KRAMBACH/NABIAC PARISH:** Krambach Catholic Parish will commence a program soon for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion. If you live in the area of Nabiac and Krambach and your child has been baptised and would like to enrol your child in this program, you are welcome to contact Deacon Vince Ryan at school or on 6559 1848 after hours. **Deacon Vince Ryan**

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**Mass Times**

- **Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree**
  75 Albert St, Taree
  Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm
  Sunday Mass: 9:30 am

- **Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Wingham**
  8 Farquhar Street, Wingham
  Sunday: 8:30am

- **St Bernadette's, Krambach**
  Bucketts Way, Krambach
  Saturday 22/8 at 5:30 pm
  Liturgy of the Word with Communion (S.C.A.E) is held at Krambach Church.
  Saturday 29/8 at 6.30 pm
  S.C.A.E to be held at Nabiac Church

- **St Therese's, Lansdowne**
  Cundle Rd, Lansdowne
  Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm(2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month)

- **Our Lady of Fatima, Old Bar**
  20 Hall St, Old Bar, Sunday Mass: 7:30 am

- **Our Lady Star of the Sea, Harrington**
  Pilot St, Harrington
  Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm
  (1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays in each month)
  Saturday Liturgy of the Word and Communion: 6:00 pm
  (2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month)

- **Holy Name of Jesus Parish Church, Forster**
  33 Lake Street, Forster
  Sunday Mass: 9:00 am

- **St Mary, Star of the Sea Church, Tuncurry**
  15 Peel Street, Tuncurry
  Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm
  Sunday Mass: 7:00 am

- **St Patrick’s, Cundletown**
  River St, Cundletown
  Sunday Mass: 6:00 pm
A prayer for our earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.
MATHS WORKSHOP - Mathematics Workshop provides the opportunity for every student to obtain assistance and support in improving their understanding of mathematics. Four mathematics teachers are available each week to explain the concepts you are finding difficult or give assistance to enable you to complete your homework, assignments or any work that you may have missed due to absence from class.

WHEN IS IT ON?  **Wednesday lunchtime** - every week. Bring your lunch!

WHERE?  **Room 10**
We hope to see you there!

Mrs Julie Rowsell - Mathematics Coordinator

FROM THE SENIOR SCHOOL

**Year 11 students** have completed a rigorous selection process to determine the 2016 Student Senior Leadership Team and the 2016 School Captains and Vice Captains.

The **2016 Student Leadership Team members** are:

It is with pride that we announce that the executive members of this leadership group are:

- **2016 School Captains**: Thomas Dormor and Isabella Blenkin
- **2016 School Vice Captains**: Declan Moylan and Casey Griffiths

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The Year 11 **Senior Retreat** will be held at the **Uniting Church Conference Centre Elanora Heights** in northern Sydney. It is a **MANDATORY EVENT** which will be held from Wednesday 21st October until Friday 23rd October. The cost is **$250** per student to be paid by the last day of Term 3, **Friday, 18th September, 2015**. Thank you to those many families who have already made this payment.

If there are any concerns with your ability to meet this cost, please contact Principal, Peter Nicholls, at school (6552 3300).

The **Final Preliminary Courses Examinations** commence on **Wednesday, 2nd September**, and run until Friday, **11th September**, inclusive. Students have been issued with the examination timetable and the associated list of regulations which govern those examinations. These have again been appended to this newsletter.

Ian Evans (Year 12 Student Coordinator) and Bronwen Davidson (Year 11 Student Coordinator)
Year 12 students are approaching the final few weeks of high school classes – it is an exciting time but much is still to be achieved in classes and in other activities. Details of expectations and school-endorsed events have been emailed to students and posted to families. Students are to attend ALL CLASSES as scheduled unless permission has been sought/gained from the teacher of that lesson or as arranged with the Principal, Peter Nicholls.

Below is an outline of Year 12 commitments for Term 3 Weeks 8 to 10:

**Week 8**
- Monday 31st AUG: Trial HSC Exam Reports - Teacher reports due to Subject Coordinators
- Tuesday 1st SEP: Big Buzz Permission Note to be returned to the Bursar with the $20 entry fee
- Wednesday 2nd SEP: Return of St Clare’s Award applications
- Thursday 3rd SEP: Final Year 12 Blood Bank group (Tom Avery, Shenaye Dawson, Jess Coble, Sacheen Senanayake, Bianca Heiss)

**Week 9**
- Monday 7th SEP: Trial HSC Exam Reports – Subject Coordinator reports due to School Office
- Wednesday 9th SEP: RSA (Responsible Service of Alcohol) all day
  - Music HSC markers – 12:55 to 3:05
- Thursday 10th SEP: Final reports handed to Year 12 students at 3:15 pm in the Senior Quad

**Week 10**
- Monday 14th SEP: RCG (Responsible Conduct of Gambling) all day
- Wednesday 16th SEP: Period 4 – last lesson for Year 12
  - Period 5 – Graduation Mass practice in the School Hall
- Thursday 17th SEP: Farewell Assembly – 9.10-11.00 am
  - Big Buzz – after assembly until 2.30 pm (students NOT to drive)
- Friday 18th SEP: Graduation Mass: 9.30 – 11.00am
  - Morning Tea- students to be joined by their parents and Stage 6 teachers at TTC

Students have received Graduation packages so that a maximum of 4 tickets (1 for the student, 2 for parents/carers, 1 for another guest) can be ordered and table groups arranged. **Most tables seat 16: this equates to 4 students and their respective 3 guests.** Students are to organise who sits together on the tables. The school recognises that there can be some special circumstances regarding a request for extra tickets – contact Mrs Healey or Mr Evans.

It is critical that students continue to closely monitor their school emails – messages from Mrs Avery, Mr Evans and especially Mrs Healey will be sent at regular intervals.

Carol Healey, Careers Adviser
Year 12 Parents could you please assist your child with the following:

**Year 12 Checklist**

1. Do I have my BOS Number, UAC pin and UAC number saved in a safe place
2. Have I applied for early entry backups eg
   - UNE
   * Southern Cross University
   * SRS
3. Have I had my UAC preferences checked by Mrs Healey
4. Have I completed my UAC application
5. Am I considering universities in other states if so have I completed applications eg QTAC
6. Have I explored alternative entry into university eg E12, and have I completed the applications
7. Have I looked at scholarships eg on UAC site, universities websites and in general
   And have I completed the applications
8. Have I looked at and considered Co-op programs at university worth large amounts of financial support
9. Have I examined the accommodation options and applied
10. What is my plan B, C and D
11. Have you checked your TAFE options
12. Have you applied for TAFE
13. Have you examined Smart and Skills scholarships
14. Have you prepared a cover letter for your job application
15. Have you had your final copy of your resume checked by Mrs Healey
16. Have you a list of employers to approach for employment
17. AM I WELL PREPARED FOR THE FUTURE

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**VACANCIES STILL EXIST**
**MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**IF YOU CAN ASSIST PLEASE CONTACT CHERYL KINGSFORD**
**ST CLARE’S CANTEEN: 6591 2104, HOME: 6552 1857 OR**
**VIA EMAIL: cheryl.kingsford@mn.catholic.edu.au**
Year 11 Final Preliminary Examinations

Wednesday, 2nd September until Friday, 11th September 2015 inclusive

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will be aware, the Year 11 Final Preliminary Course Examinations will be held shortly. In order for the school to exercise due duty of care in the supervision of students during school hours, we wish to inform you of the following:

- Students will not be required to be at school unless they have an examination scheduled – duty of care resides with the parent/carer when student is not at school [attendance at school for study purposes when a student is not sitting an examination is permitted but normal expectations of students will still exist with respect to uniform, behaviour and obtaining leave];
- If a student has a morning AND an afternoon examination, that student is to remain at school in the time between these two examinations where supervised study will be provided;
- **STUDENT USE OF PRIVATE MOTOR VEHICLES POLICY** (attached) applies at all times;
- Normal classes will resume on Monday, 14th September 2015 (missed examinations are to be done in the order in which missed and be completed in the first available time within the examination period and in the first two days following the examination period.)

N.B., these requirements are to be read in conjunction with the FULL list of examination expectations/timetable (attached)

Please complete the form below and return it to the School Bursar by Friday, 28th August, 2015.

Theresa Avery
Curriculum Co-ordinator

Peter Nicholls
Assistant Principal

N.B. This and other relevant information is available online on the St. Clare’s High School Portal

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St. Clare’s High School – 2015 Year 11 Final Examinations

Acknowledgment of Examination-time Supervision

I acknowledge that my Year 11 child/ward, ................................................................. of PC 11-□ will be undertaking Final Preliminary Courses Examinations from **Wednesday, 2nd September until Friday, 11th September inclusive.**

I also acknowledge the following arrangements:-

- Students will NOT BE REQUIRED TO BE AT SCHOOL unless they have an examination; scheduled – duty of care resides with the parent/carer when a student is not at school [attendance at school for study purposes when a student is not sitting an examination is permitted but normal expectations of students will still exist with respect to uniform, behaviour and obtaining leave];
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Name of parent/carer:........................................ Signature:........................................ Date:....../08/2015
ST. CLARE’S HIGH SCHOOL POLICY:

STUDENT USE OF PRIVATE MOTOR VEHICLES

TRAVEL TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Students who are licensed drivers are free to drive to/from school. This is a matter for them, their parents and the owner of the vehicle. The school and the Maitland-Newcastle Catholic Schools’ Office are not responsible for drivers or passengers travelling in private vehicles to/from school. Parking for student-driven vehicles is not available on school grounds. The school and the Maitland-Newcastle Catholic Schools’ Office are not responsible for the security of such vehicles during school hours nor when used for school-related events.

STUDENT USE OF PRIVATE MOTOR VEHICLES DURING SCHOOL HOURS AND ACTIVITIES

Students who are licensed drivers **MAY** be given permission to transport themselves/siblings to/from appointments or other urgent needs during school hours. This is a matter for them, their parents and the owner of the vehicle. The school and the Maitland-Newcastle Catholic Schools’ Office are not responsible for drivers or sibling passengers travelling in private vehicles under these conditions.

Before any student of St. Clare’s is given permission by the school to use a private motor vehicle **to transport other student(s)** during school hours or to/from a school arranged excursion out of normal school hours, the principal (or his/her representative) must ensure the following conditions are met:

- There must be an urgent need (as determined by the school) for such transportation and, as such, this permission will be the exception not the rule.
- The student driver is licensed.
- The motor vehicle is registered.
- The motor vehicle is comprehensively insured.
- Current driver’s licence and car registration details must be sighted prior to giving permission for students to be transported in the vehicle.
- Written permission to use the vehicle must be obtained from the parent(s) of the student driver.
- Written permission to transport other students must be obtained from the parent(s) of the student driver.
- Written permission must be obtained from the parent(s) of students being transported as passengers.
- The number of passengers in the vehicle must not exceed the number of seat belts or, in the case of larger vehicles, the number of passengers that the vehicle is licensed to carry.
- The driver must conform to NSW road rules at all times.
- The driver is responsible for all passengers being properly restrained in a seatbelt or approved child restraint.
- The driver of the vehicle and passengers are sensible and responsible enough to justify the concession made to them.

These conditions also apply where students may be attending TAFE or other school-linked courses which are conducted at locations other than the school.
Expectations:-

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- **STUDENT USE OF PRIVATE MOTOR VEHICLES POLICY** (attached) applies at all times;

- arrive at the examination centre at least 15 minutes before each examination (20 minutes for big examinations such as RE/Eng/Maths);

- depart from examination only on dismissal at END OF SCHEDULED TIME;

- wear FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM and wear it PROPERLY in all examinations;

- only bring water in CLEAR COLOURLESS plastic bottles;

- leave PENCIL CASES/BAGS outside the examination room;

- leave MOBILE 'PHONES switched off and outside the examination room;

- remove WRIST WATCHES in examination room *(may be placed on desk)*;

- no paper to be brought in to the examination room – paper will be provided;

- have all required equipment for examination as there will be no borrowing from other students or supervisors – this equipment is to be in a clear plastic sleeve;

- only students’ personal belongings to be removed from the examination room *(all question, stimulus, answer and unused papers to be left on the examination desk)*;

- see the EXAMINATION SUPERVISOR regarding medication prior to examination commencing;

- be aware that offensive comments may lead to an award of ZERO marks;

- RING the school *(6552 3300)* regarding illness or misadventure by 9:00 a.m. on examination day then obtain and submit an ILLNESS & MISADVENTURE FORM available from Curriculum Coordinator, Mrs Avery;

- Normal classes for Year 11 students will resume on Monday, 14SEP15;

- Missed examinations are to be done in the order in which missed and be completed in the first available time within the examination period and in the first two days following the examination period.
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St Clare’s Environmental Day

The St Clare’s Environmental Group are running their first annual Environmental Day that will occur on Tuesday the 1st of September.

Classes will run as normal on the day, however special activities such as a cake stall and an opening ceremony for the hall garden will take place during recess and lunch.

The St Clare’s Environment Day is a vehicle for encouraging awareness and action for the environment. It is a day where the St Clare’s community can do something positive for the environment, galvanizing individual actions into a collective power that generates a positive impact on the planet.

To show support, students will be allowed to come to school out of uniform and wear green for a gold coin donation.

The Environmental Group would also like to take this opportunity to thank the families who kindly sponsored a plant, as well as local business Valley Industries who provided quality products. Without the support from the families of St Clare’s and the wider community, the Environmental Group would not have been able to achieve the final result it has.

Finally, a big thankyou to the students of the Environmental Group, a bunch of green-thumbed quiet achievers who gave up many lunches to ensure that St Clare’s becomes a greener place.
Hockey achievements: Samuel Mudford (Yr 10) and Wade Harry (Yr 9) recently represented NSW in Hockey over in Perth. They were undefeated throughout the tournament up until the final where they narrowly lost to QLD 3-2. Both boys demonstrated a high level of skill and are to be congratulated on their achievement in this sport. From this tournament an Australian team was selected and one of our students, Samuel Mudford, was named in the side. This is an outstanding accomplishment and Sam should be very proud of what he has achieved. Sam will now have to begin preparing for the sides tour of South Africa in June 2016. The team will travel together around the country and will play practice games in Johannesburg, Durban & Capetown. He will then play 3 test Matches in Capetown. Since this is a School Sport Australia team, he will also have educational excursions in Johannesburg, Durban & Capetown and an overnight stay at Kruger National Park. There is a supporter’s tour as well which allows Sam’s parents to go over and watch all of Sam’s games. 

Congratulations Sam and we wish you the best of luck representing Australia in South Africa!

CREATIVE ARTS NEWS

Congratulations to all of the HSC Drama and Visual Arts students who have completed all of their practical performances and major works this week. There were seventeen individual drama performances and four group performances. All feedback was very positive and students were extremely happy with their performances. All Artworks will be in next week’s newsletter.

Group Performances on Trial Night:
Disney is Doomed: Rachel Wysocki, Luke Spicer, Charlie Carney, Sarah Murphy, Billie Wilkes.
Packed to the Rifters: Aiden Young, Lizzie Mudford, Liah Brooks, Leam Callaghan, Jeremy Walker.
Flight is Wright: Justin Hokin, Kyle Hardes, Todd Withnall.
The Ballad of Ned Kelly: Alex Blenkin, Ben Nicholls, Emily McKendry, Bella Rasche, Brodie McCann.

Individual Performances on Trial Night:

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Year 12 Music HSC Concert
On Sunday evening our wonderful Year 12 Music1 students will present their final concert featuring their Music Higher School Certificate pieces. The past two Sunday evening’s Mr McDougall, members of the Year 10 Elective Music class and the Year 12 Music 1 class, EMILY McKENDRY, SARAH MURPHY and BAILEY UNDERWOOD has put on a concert for the community. The array of musical style and talent that each student displayed has been very impressive. The final concert will be held this week. Staff, students and friends are invited to come along and support the students. Refreshments will be provided.

**WHEN:** Sunday August 30 at 6.00pm  
**WHERE:** ROOM 37

St Joseph’s Spring Fair
The Year 9 Elective Music Class will be performing at the St Joseph’s Spring Fair on Saturday September 5. They will begin the musical treats for the day. All are welcome.

The St Clare’s Vocal Group rehearses each Monday at lunch. You do not have to be the best singer, just be able to enjoy singing. It is a great way to meet other students whilst having fun. New members are still very welcome to join us.

**WHAT:** St Clare’s Vocal Group  
**WHERE:** Room 36  
**WHEN:** Monday Lunch 1.

Viva la Musica,  
Mrs Brown.

**PARENT & STUDENT REMINDERS:**

**LEAVE NOTES & STUDENT MESSAGES:** It would be appreciated if parents/guardians would send in a **written note** if their child needs to leave early for appointments etc. Notes should be handed in at the front office in the **morning before roll call**. If parents/guardians need to notify their child of a change of afternoon arrangements, it is necessary to **phone the school prior to 2:25 pm** (End of Lunch – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday) or **prior to 1:55 pm** (End of Lunch – **Thursday Sport**) as it is often difficult to locate students if their last lesson is a PE Prac or there has been a room change.

Students cannot be collected from the school during school hours by **anyone other than a parent or guardian without written permission**. Thank you.

**LATE NOTES:** Lateness to school is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained to the school the same way as other forms of absence. **Arriving Late for school requires a handwritten note from a parent/carer or a phone call from a parent/carer** or the absence is recorded as an unexplained partial absence. Thank you.
SCHOOL CLINIC: Students are reminded that if they are unwell whilst at school they are to advise their teacher who will then send them to the Front Office. If necessary, the office staff will contact a parent while the student waits in the Clinic. **Students are not to contact parents on their mobile phones** as this leaves teachers and office staff unaware of the situation and is also in breach of the school policy – use of mobile phones. Thank you.

**Hospitality Happenings**

It’s the Spring season of feasting and fun again at Upper Lansdowne Memorial Hall!

The Upper Lansdowne Players present two one-act comedies:

'George' by Derek Hickman

Confusion and delusion take over a hospital ward, but who’s really in charge?

&

'Half an Idea' by Bob Larbey

A playwright tries to write drama, set at a wedding and then a funeral, but it keeps turning into comedy!

Saturday 24 of October 2015 we are doing the catering for the upper Lansdowne Players for our fund raiser.

Year 11 hospitality students will be doing the cooking and the service.

The entire money raise on the night will go directly toward the HOTEL school Sea World excursion 2016.

So if you are able to support us, make a booking.

$35.00/ head will include a 3 courses meal and the show.

This year Mr Laurent and Josh Lythgoe will be on stage.

**BOOK EARLY TO GET THE BEST SEATS!**

Book as individuals or as tables of 8. Just fill out the easy booking form at upperlansdownehall.org.au/bookplays/

or call Pieta on 02 5507 6066 or 0409 456 846

*With special permission from Dominie & Samuel French, London*
COMING EVENTS

Term 3

Week 9  Thursday  10/9  ♦ Year 7 Vaccinations – 3rd Dose

Week 10  Thursday  17/9  ♦ Year 12 Assembly and Big Buzz
          Friday  18/9  ♦ Year 12 Graduation Mass
                         ♦ Japanese Exchange students depart (Return 2 October)

Term 4

Week 1  Friday  9/10  ♦ Year 7 2016 Orientation Day

Week 2  Monday  12/10 ♦ HSC Written Examinations Commence

Week 3  Wednesday  21/10 ♦ Senior Retreat – Year 11

Week 5  Friday  6/11 ♦ HSC Written Examinations Conclude

Week 6  Friday  13/11 ♦ Year 12 Graduation

Week 10  Sunday  6/12 ♦ Carols by Candlelight, Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree
                         Activities commence 3:30 pm – Carols from 6 pm

Week 11  Wednesday  16/12 ♦ HSC results released

Old Bar Little Athletics Centre
P.O. Box 12
OLD BAR NSW 2430

oldbarlittleathleticscentre@gmail.com

Old Bar Little Athletics Centre welcomes returning and new members to our season 2015/2016 registration days. Registration will be held at Club Old Bar on Saturday August 22nd and 29th from 2-4pm.

It is very important that PRIOR to attending a registration day you visit our Old Bar Little Athletics Facebook page for specific information to assist you.
If you have any questions please email us on oldbarlittleathleticscentre@gmail.com or for more information about Little Athletics visit www.lansw.com.au.
Wingham District Junior Cricket Club will be holding their registration day for the upcoming season on Saturday, 5th September at Wingham Central Park, near the Log.

10:00am to 2pm. Sausage sizzle will be provided. For enquiries, phone 0438 530 955 (AH)
Valley Industries
Helping people to help themselves

SPRING 2015 SPECTACULAR
2nd - 5th September
Come and see all the great things that Valley Industries are able to make and grow!

Open Day
4th September

Friday 4th September
Take a tour of Valley Industries and see our diverse businesses.
Free BBQ 10am - 1pm

Saturday 5th September
Sale continues in the nursery.
- Bee Keeping Supplies
- Free BBQ 10am - 1pm
- Free Jumping Castle

70 Whitbread Street, Taree
Phone - 6552 8888
The Spring Fair aims to capture the school spirit and embrace the wider community - all are welcome!

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5
10AM-2PM

St Joseph’s Primary School Taree

SPRING FAIR

SKYDIVING DISPLAY
JAKE DAVEY & CAMEL RIDES
CLASSIC CARS
JUMPING CASTLE
TRACKLESS TRAIN
FOOD & MUSIC
MARTIAL ARTS DEMO
REPTILE DISPLAY
MARKET STALLS

STATIONARY ENGINES
SHOWBAGS
PHOTO BOOTH
CHOCOLATE WHEEL
PLANT STALL
BOOK STALL
FACE PAINTING

LOTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS

St Joseph’s Primary School, 1 St Joseph’s Drive (off Kanangra Drive)
Follow us on facebook.com/joeysspringfair or call 0423 911 913
MANNING RIVER ROWING CLUB

LEARN TO ROW

Commences Saturday 5th September from 7am to 9am.

- Fun and fitness on the Manning River.
- Cost is $50.00 for 6 weeks (Saturday and Sunday).
- You must be able to swim at least 100 metres and be older than 12 years. Once you are able to row you will be invited to join the Rowing Club and your $50.00 will be deducted from Club Membership Fee.
- Rowing is a team sport where you can row in doubles, quads, eights or a single. Invite a friend so you can form up teams for the club and your school.
- Our club has accredited coaches. Bring a towel, change of clothes, thongs, shorts, a hat and sunscreen.
- If you are interested and have any questions, contact our either Club President – Tony Beeton on 0402 140 887 or Club Captain – Phil Walters on 0416 078 877