Dear Parents and Friends of St Clare’s

The sense of loss and grief can have a powerful influence in our lives. This is particularly true for people who believe that their efforts have not been appreciated by those they worked to help or protect.

Sadly this was the experience of many of our defence personal on their return from the Vietnam War.

Today the St Clare’s community gathered in a whole school assembly to acknowledge the service that our armed forces made during this traumatic period of our history. While opinion about the war divided our country, we can never be in doubt that those who fought in Vietnam did so because we, via our government, asked them to do so. They went and did their duty and we owe them a great deal. They sacrificed much to fulfil their obligation to Australia. I thank Bernie Holland and Karen McCann for organising the assembly, students:

William Avery  Emily Becker  Abbi Greenaway  Sarah Ward
Lachlan Cross  Chantelle Bell  Ruby Jones  Gaby Wyse
Michael O’Dwyer  Kristy Bell  Hannah Lewis  Connor Van Wyk
Sean Page  Hannah Burley  Willow Mackay  Galen Wiseman
Andrew Taylor  Demi Fox  Kylie Neilson

and the members of the RSL Taree Sub-branch: Bob Coombes, Carl Guy, Dennis Lawrence, Darcy Elbourne, Charles Fisher, Barrie Thompson, Julius Schilpzand, Norm Webster and Noel Campbell for again attending our ceremony and helping our students gain a more comprehensive understanding of Australia’s part in the Vietnam War.
Earlier in the week the candidates for student leadership positions in 2017 spoke in front of students and staff. We had a wonderful field of young people putting themselves forward for school leadership positions. Following their speeches, staff and students had the opportunity to vote. The top eight candidates from the election will then be interviewed by the principal’s panel which will make recommendations about which of the students should be appointed St Clare’s school captains and vice-captains.

As you progress your way through our newsletter please take the time to note the varied educational opportunities that St Clare’s offers your sons and daughters. I am very proud of our staff and our parents who work diligently to ensure that our young people are given every opportunity to be their best selves. I also thank our students who represent their families and school with great respect and dignity; something which draws great praise from people who meet our students outside the school on formal occasions. This was certainly the case when I took Jack Piscopo, Sam Richardson, Clare Sephton and Jennifer Wesley to represent the school at Taree RSL Memorial at Club Taree celebrations of the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan and today, when we held the annual Vietnam Veterans ceremony.

God Bless

Principal

P & F – NEXT MEETING, WEDNESDAY, 31 AUGUST 2016
6 PM ST CLARE’S LIBRARY

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.
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: 8:30 am

St Bernadette’s, Krambach
Bucketts Way, Krambach
Saturday: 6:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am
(Mass is celebrated on alternate weekends – please speak to Deacon Vince or Mrs Denise Ryan at school for information)

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)

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

St Patrick’s, Cundletown
River St, Cundletown
Sunday Mass: 6:00 pm

Forster-Tuncurry Catholic Parish
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

FROM THE SENIOR SCHOOL: Here we are at the end of Week 6 already. There is only one week to go before the start of Preliminary Course exams for Year 11. Hopefully most students have begun some revision work. The exam timetable is now available. If there are any issues with this, please let me know.

Please remember that if a student is going to be away on the day of an exam, that a parent or guardian must ring the front office to let the school know. A green form must be collected and completed and returned to Mrs Avery as soon as possible.

During exam time the students are able to be here just for the exam time IF THEY COMPLETE THE NOTE TO ALLOW THEM TO DO SO. This note has to be signed by a parent or guardian and will be available from Monday. If the note is not handed back in to the school, the student must remain at school for the normal school day.

This week we had an assembly and fundraiser for “Beyond Blue”. At the conclusion of this assembly, 18 wonderful young people gave their speeches for the Leadership Team for 2017. If the speeches are anything to go by, then this Leadership Team will be an excellent one. Well done to everyone who has put their name forward and to all those who stood up in front of the student body and delivered their speeches. The results will be known early next week. I know that this is going to be a very close contest.

A reminder to everyone about the Senior Retreat, which is being held in Week 2 next term. This is compulsory for all students. A note should have been brought home last week. The permission and information notes were also emailed to all the students. Please contact the school if there is an issue with cost.
The purpose of this retreat is to provide some reflection and direction for the coming months, and to encourage all the students to help and support each other in this last part of our school journey. It is an extremely worthwhile experience and the students will have the opportunity to come away with some positive strategies and hopefully a greater understanding of each other and ways to cope with what the future will bring.

I am confident that the presence of Christ will be among us and guide us on our journey.

“Wherever two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst”

Finally, I need to remind everyone that school attendance is very important. When students miss school days, it is very difficult to catch up on work. Of course when someone is unwell there is little choice. A note should be handed in or phone call should be made as soon as possible with regard to the absence.

If there are other issues it is very important that the school is notified and procedures put in to place to assist students and families.

Today we are remembering the Vietnam Veterans at a special commemorative service at 10 am in the school Hall. Several Year 11 students are playing an active part in this assembly. It is 50 years since the Battle of Long Tan and we are honouring those who lost their lives or were affected by the Vietnam War (the longest involvement for Australian Defence Force personnel in any conflict). Thank you to all those who took part.

I am looking forward to finding out the results of the Senior Leadership elections next week and to the Senior Retreat in Week 2 Term 4.

“Success is about creating benefit for all and enjoying the process. If you focus on this & adopt this definition, success is yours.”

Kelly Kim

Karen McCann, Year 11 Student Coordinator
### 2016 Year 11 Yearly Preliminary Course Examination Timetable

**Please Note:**
1. Catch-ups will be done on the first day of your return in order of exam roster, you may also be requested to complete two exams in one day if you have missed more than one exam.
2. You may receive a zero mark if you do not follow this guideline.
3. All exams are conducted in the school hall unless otherwise stated.
4. You must be present at exam hall 15 mins prior to exam starting.
5. Hospitality students you will be allocated a time slot by your teacher.

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Thursday, 15 September – Year11 normal classes
Music Prac Rm 37 Lunch Onwards
CAREERS CORNER: There are many possibilities for post-school training – University, TAFE other tertiary providers. Below are a number of events which may help students and families make informed decisions:

UNI
Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education Students at ACU
Check this link regarding the requirements that need to be met.
http://www.acu.edu.au/about_acu/faculties_institutes_and_centres/education_and_arts/schools/literacy_and_numeracy_test_for_initial_teacher_education_students

SCU Yr12 Parent Information Evening - Coffs Harbour Campus
30 August. 5.00 to 7.00pm
Contact: Peter Marshall - 02 6659 3920 or peter.marshall@scu.edu.au

SCU Yr12 Parent Information Evening- Lismore Campus
31 August. 5.00 to 7.00pm
Contact: CaitFeldmann - 02 6620 3102 or caitlyn.feldmann@scu.edu.au

Melbourne Institute of Technology Business and I.T. Sydney Open Week
7 to 11 September. 9.00am to 5.00pm
154-158 Sussex St, Sydney
Course and career opportunities and campus tour.

UOW Options Day 2017
6 January. 9.00am to 2.00pm
UOW Building 67
Entry opportunities to the University, UOW College, and TAFE.
Contact: 1300 367 869 or futurestudents@uow.edu.au

The Good Universities Guide 2016
Great National University Handbook resource. Cost: $24.95

An Insider’s Guide to Life at Uni

Charles Sturt University Online
350 courses online. For information on support provided and costs.
http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/csu-online

OTHER TERTIARY PROVIDERS

ACPE Campus Tours, Dance Audition and Webinars
Tours
Mondays to Fridays, 9am to 4pm
Tour campus and understand student life at ACPE.
Bookings: 1300 302 867 or emailing, newstudents@acpe.edu.au

Dance Audition
15 October.
ACPE will be holding a dance audition for the 2017 intake. Register your attendance here. One of their friendly Admissions Advisors will be in contact to arrange the details of your audition.

Webinars - What you need to know about enrolling and online study at ACPE
Do you have questions such as "Am I eligible for FEE-HELP?" or "Can I study online?" Join Admissions Advisor Erica Asler for a Q&A webinar about study at ACPE.
Available dates:
13 September – 10:30am to 11:30am or 5:00pm to 6:00pm
27 October – 9:30am to 10:30am or 5:00pm to 6:00pm
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6912628881107263490

Create Your Career in Hairdressing and Beauty and Make Up – Australasian College Broadway
15 October. 10.00am to 2.00pm
Building 1, 87 Bay Street, Glebe
Workshops, campus tour and course and career opportunities explained. Ph: 02 8587 8888
http://www.tac.edu.au/create-your-career

Style Academy Information Sessions for Modelling, Acting, Make Up and Photography
Style Academy is a long established Sydney performing arts and self-development institution. Make a reservation for a weekday and weekend session at the Pitt Street office. To book, please contact us on 02 92643344 or email info@styleacademy.com.au.
www.styleacademy.com.au

Sydney Design Festival Workshops
2 to 11 September
Includes fashion and textile workshops, fashion illustration.

The Australasian College of Health & Wellness 2017 Enrolments Now Open
Specialising in health science and focused on educating professionals for the health and wellness industries, visit www.tachw.edu.au to check a career with an Associate Degree in Applied Health Science (Dermal Therapy) or Bachelor of Applied Health Science (Clinical Aesthetics).

JMC Information Session
29 September. 6.00pm
561 Harris Street, Ultimo
Audio Engineering, Animation, Film and TV, Music, Song Writing, Game Design, Digital Design, Entertainment.
http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/information-sessions/jmc-academy-information-sessions
Ian Evans, Careers Adviser
WE REALLY NAILED IT: The recent feast day celebrations of the patron saint of St Clare’s High School, Taree, included whole-school Mass, concelebrated by priests of the region, visiting guest lecturers (Catholic Care Refugee Service from Mayfield; Catholic Care Soup Kitchen, Taree; Melissa Fenech from Diocesan Youth Ministry, Reverends Chris and Helen from the Anglican Community in Taree) and afternoon fund-raising activities.

These fun and fund-raising activities were based on Pastoral Care roll classes. The Year 8-4 PC Class, with teacher, Sheena O’Doherty, adopted face-painting and fingernail painting as their modus operandi. One ‘beneficiary’ of their skills was Careers Adviser, Ian Evans.

Having been spotted with his fingernail ‘decorations’, Mr Evans was challenged by Fr Greg Barker (Forster/Tuncurry) to wear his artwork for a whole week then Fr Greg further challenged the 6 pm Tuncurry Vigil Mass congregation, where Mr Evans is a musician, to support Mr Evans if he could display his fingernails at consecutive Saturday evening masses. The net result was the raising of $506.35 which, in a total of $2,350 from all St Clare’s Day activities, will be used to assist disadvantaged students at St Clare’s, Catholic missionary work and the purchase of Religious Education resources at the school.

Fr Greg commented that this is just one more example of our Catholic community supporting the efforts of our Catholic schools. He is looking forward to our community support at the forthcoming Holy Name Primary School Fete in Forster on Sunday, 28 August, from 10 am until 2 pm. Ian Evans, Careers Adviser

YEAR 9 SNOWY EXCURSION: It is 9 am, Sunday morning, and 99 students and willing supporting teachers, embark on what would prove to be a truly memorable and exciting experience, for all concerned. First stop Canberra, and as before we visited Questacom, the War Memorial, Parliament House, as well as other noteworthy attractions, and it was pleasing to note the updates and improvements made since my last visit four years ago.
Then to Cooma, to prepare for the three days of skiing ahead of us, and it will always remain a mystery to me how Mr Carney can ensure that all of those boots, skis, helmets, and ski poles remain with their owners, for the duration. This is, of course, is of great credit to his meticulous planning and organisational skills.
At the snow, all kitted out and ready to go, the daily compulsory lesson was duly completed, and depending upon their measured competency, skiing commenced. I must say, it was pleasing to note that the level of participation was commendable with virtually all enjoying a day on the slopes.

The second and third day dawned and as expected, great fun was had by all.

Then, in the blink of an eye, we were tidying our cabins ready to board the busses for the long trek back to the Manning Valley where, I guess, many a tall tale was told to the throng of waiting parents.

These big ventures are not possible without the sacrifices made by the teachers who accompanied the students, and therefore my heartfelt thanks go out to Mr Gonfond (Aka Laurent), Miss Pearse, Mr Holland, Mr Donovan, Mr Collier, Mrs Dunn, Ms Hewitt, Mrs O’Donnell, Miss Rowsell, and last but not least, Mr Carney, who’s dedication, and commitment to this excursion, is truly exemplary.

John Chapman, Year 9 Student Coordinator
ST CLARE’S HIGH SCHOOL
PRESENTS THE
MUSIC 1 CLASS OF 2016

Saturday, 27 August 2016
5 pm
St Clare’s Music Room
All are welcome to be entertained by the students HSC performances
A light supper will be provided

MUSIC HSC PERFORMANCES: On Saturday, 27 August 2016 the Music 1 class of 2016 will present their HSC performances. The students; Jordan Brown (Saxophone), Emily Fowle (Vocals & Piano) & Clayton Wisemantel (Clarinet) will perform their chosen music pieces.

The students are very fortunate to be supported by talented students from Years 11, 10 & 9:

Johnathon Black
Nirian Boelling-McDougall
Maddison Hayes
Amanda Jones
Thomas Lee
Luke Strong
Miguel Guthridge
and the outstanding accompaniment of Mr McDougall.

The program will be varied, designed to demonstrate each individuals’ musical ability, sensitivity and understanding of their chosen topics studied throughout Year 12. A light supper will be provided.
This is an invaluable opportunity for the students, their families and friends. All are welcome to come along.

On 1 September the students will perform their programs for Year 6 students from St Joseph’s, Taree.

**Viva la Musica**
Mrs Brown

**FRIDA KAHL0: 9, 10 & 11 VISUAL ARTS SYDNEY GALLERY VISIT:** How do we see the world through the eyes of an artist? Witness. 45 students and teachers got personal with wonderful examples last Saturday on our annual combined Visual Arts Blockbuster daytrip.

Our afternoon schedule involved the Museum of Contemporary Art. Again students gained valuable experience with interactive works from international and national emerging artists using up-to-date materials and practices.

I would like to congratulate Mr Koenig for his organisation. To all of the students on their exceptional behaviour, patience, good company and their willingness to participate in this valuable creative learning experience.

“I paint myself because I am so often alone and because I am the subject I know best.”

**Frida Kahlo**

Mrs Laurie, Art Teacher
CCC NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS – PENRITH: The school Netball teams travelled down to Penrith on Monday, 15 August, to compete in the CCC Netball Championships held on Tuesday 16 August. The Championships is a competition where students were able to compete against teams from Catholic Schools from all over NSW. We had a junior, intermediate and senior team that competed at this event.

**Junior Team (Years 7/8):** The girls had a very successful day overall. We played five games in total with three wins, one loss and one draw. Our junior team showed outstanding fighting spirit by closing the gap in the one game we lost, to come within two goals of our opponents, after being significantly down in the first half of the game. We tried many different player combinations throughout the day, with all players being encouraged to try different positions and perhaps have a go at a position that they had always wanted to try. It was fantastic to see the girls encouraging each other and showing good sportsmanship to our opposing teams. Several of the girls also stepped up and helped out by umpiring our other St Clare’s teams. Congratulations to every single player in the junior team. You each made a superb effort on the court and it was a pleasure to coach you on the day. Well done! Shannon O’Mara, Junior Coach

Back Row: Ashlyn Horsburgh, Laura Watman, Charlotte Hogan, Rubi Grass, Marlee Cowan, Caitlin Cowan
Front Row: Samantha Chicken, Nathalie Doyle, Jessica Relf, Tia Hinton

**Intermediate Team (Years 9/10):** The Intermediate Netball Team had an injury riddled lead up to the carnival, which continued on the day unfortunately. We lost several players prior to the day and on the day were down to one reserve for the majority of games with players playing out of position to accommodate for the injuries. Despite all of this, we had a great day with some outstanding performances throughout the games. We had two wins early on in the day but were unable to stay competitive with such strong well-drilled competition. It was a fantastic effort by all of the girls on the day and I am proud to have been associated with them. Stacy Posadas, Intermediate Coach

Front Row: Olivia Stewart, Lylah-Belle Wilson (in wheelchair), Thalia Simon
Senior Team (Years 11/12): The Senior Netball team had a fairly successful day with an even number of wins and losses over the tournament. They won games against Aberdeen, Gateshead and Engadine and lost games against Forbes, Glebe Point and a very skilled Gunnedah. We were also struck with injury in the second game, losing one of our strong players to a knee injury. The girls put in a big effort over the tournament and finished the day playing some excellent netball. It was great to coach this side and see the girls come together as a team. Jenna Rowsell, Senior Coach

I would like to thank all players that helped out on the day with umpiring, especially the junior girls that were confident enough to umpire some of our senior games. The umpires did an outstanding job and it was much appreciated! Jenna Roswell, Rep Sports Coordinator

RUGBY BOYS AND GIRLS TALENT IDENTIFICATION DAY: On Sunday, 18 September, NSW Rugby are hosting a Rugby 7s Talent Ident Day at the Ian Walton Memorial Fields, Crescent Heads. This day will also double as the MNC Selection day for U15, U17 and U19 Boys and U19 Girls representative team to represent MNC at their respective 7s Tournaments.

The U15s and U17s boys will compete in the NSW Youth 7s Championships in Coffs Harbour on 29 and 30 October. The U19 Boys and Girls will compete the following weekend 5 and 6 November in Newcastle.

The Talent Ident day will start at 9 am and will finish at 3 pm. It will involve various skills and fitness testing as well as playing 7s games. The testing will be recorded and each year will be re tested to see how everyone is developing and improving year to year. This day is open to anyone who would like to come and have a go, not just rugby players.

There is a $15 cost for the day and everyone must register before the Ident day. Please register using this link https://www.trybooking.com/221273

Jenna Rowsell, Rep Sports Coordinator
Hello again everyone. Here is the third instalment from our 2016 trip to the sunny Top End. In this instalment, we leave Gunlom Falls and head out on our second three day walk. This time to the remote and spectacular Dinner Creek. A gorge in the Southern region of Kakadu National Park, where they allow only one group per month to visit. To get there, we pack up early and drive for about 40 minutes along a rough red dirt track. On arrival, we don our packs again and follow an old mining road for around 7km. We then head up the gorge, stopping to enjoy the sites along the way. Over the next two days we explore the upper reaches of Dinner Creek. Here there is rock art and the most amazing swimming holes and to top it off we have the whole place to ourselves. As always, I have included a number of photographs for your pleasure. However, I must say that they never do this place justice; it really does need to be seen to be believed.

Walking out of Dinner Creek on the Friday morning, we encountered a number of wild buffalo; one in particular was very “inquisitive”. We gave him a VERY wide berth and opted to beat a hasty retreat. We made it back to the cars at around 11 am and wasted no time in heading for Moline Rockhole, a Scotch Burger at Hayes Creek and our camp for the night at Douglas Hot Springs.
Stay tuned for next week’s fourth and final Instalment. Here we wrestle a crocodile, eat Barramundi and visit the largest wartime airfield in the territory. Stay safe.

**Bernie Holland, Dukes Coordinator**
40 HOUR FAMINE: Year 9 students, Holly Twemlow, Jenevieve Bawden, Bridie O’Dwyer, Ella Reay, Elizabeth Avery, Taylah Sullivan and Sophie Hokin participated in the 40 hour Famine last weekend (Friday – Sunday) in order to raise money for World Vision. Although there was no official target for money raised, the girls are happy with the amount they collected which is approximately $490 as their aim was to help make a change in world hunger. They also fundraised with a cupcake stall last Thursday. The cakes were made by the Food Technology class.

Jenevieve Bawden, Year 9

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

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VACANCIES STILL EXIST
MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS
IF YOU CAN ASSIST PLEASE CONTACT CHERYL KINGSFORD
AT ST CLARE’S: 6591 2104, HOME: 6552 1857 OR
VIA EMAIL: cheryl.kingsford@mn.catholic.edu.au
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.

COMING EVENTS - 2016

Term 3

Week 7  Wednesday  31/8 ♦ P & F Meeting – 6 pm St Clare’s Library

Week 8  Monday   5/9 ♦ Year 11 Yearly Examinations commence

Week 9  Thursday  15/9 ♦ Year 11 Yearly Examinations conclude  
      Friday  16/9 ♦ CCC Athletics Championships

Week 10 Thursday  22/9 ♦ Year 12 Farewell Assembly  
      ♦ Year 12 Big Buzz  
      Friday  23/9 ♦ Year 12 Graduation Mass  
      ♦ Last Day of Term 3

Term 4

Week 1  Monday  10/10 ♦ First Day of Term 4  
       Wednesday  12/10 ♦ Year 11 PDHPE Camp  
       Thursday  13/10 ♦ HSC Written Examinations commence  
       Friday  14/10 ♦ Year 7 2017 Orientation Day

Week 3 Wednesday  26/10 ♦ P & F Meeting – 6 pm

Week 4 Friday  4/11 ♦ HSC Written Examinations conclude
| Week 5 | Monday     | 7/11 ♦          | Year 9 & 10 Yearly Examinations commence |
|        | Friday     | 11/11 ♦      | Graduation Evening                      |
| Week 6 | Friday     | 18/11 ♦      | Year 9 & 10 Yearly Examinations conclude |
| Week 7 | Monday     | 21/11 ♦      | Year 7 & 8 Yearly Examinations commence |
|        | Wednesday  | 23/11 ♦      | P & F Meeting – 6 pm                    |
|        | Friday     | 25/11 ♦      | Year 7 & 8 Yearly Examinations conclude |
| Week 10 | Thursday  | 15/12 ♦      | HSC Results released                    |
|         | Friday     | 16/12 ♦      | ATAR Results released                   |
|         |            |              | ♦ Annual Awards Ceremony                |
|         |            |              | ♦ **Final Day for Students**            |
| Week 11 | Monday     | 19/12 ♦      | Pupil Free Day                          |
|         | Tuesday    | 20/12 ♦      | Parent/Teacher Interviews (by request)  |
| 2017    | Term 1     |              |                                           |
| Week 1  | Friday     | 27/1 ♦       | Staff Development Day – **Pupil Free Day** |
|         | Monday     | 30/1 ♦       | Years 7, 11 & 12 Students Commence      |
|         | Tuesday    | 31/1 ♦       | Years 8, 9 & 10 Students Return         |
Just as you did it to one of the least of these... YOU DID IT TO ME
MATTHEW 25:40

ANTI POVERTY WEEK
SockIt to poverty in Cambodia

THANK YOU!
St Clare’s High School – Taree

For ‘socking it to poverty’ in Cambodia.
Your commitment and generosity in raising

$2,974.50

enables us to reach out to help missionaries, like Sister Eulie and her fellow Daughters of Charity, provide urgently needed education to disadvantaged children.

Mark Toohey, Diocesan Director

2016 WORLD MISSION MONTH
Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au
ASPIRE Holiday Workshops
September 2016

ASPIRE holiday workshops are all about skills development in a fun and safe environment with likeminded performers.

All ASPIRE holiday workshops are open to students from Year 5 to Year 12 and material used will be age appropriate. Your child doesn’t need to have any prior experience with the ASPIRE program.

Payment for these holiday workshops is via the new Qtr app. If you require assistance in using this app please contact us. The cost for each workshop is $50.00.

Please note participation in holiday workshops does not guarantee acceptance into the ASPIRE program for 2017.

To register your child’s booking or for further enquiries please contact Anne Atkins on (02) 4973-1331 or email anne.atkins@mn.catholic.edu.au. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Singing: The Confident Performer
Wednesday 28 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown

This fun workshop focuses on performance technique and how to ooze confidence on stage. You’ll look at what to do with your body when performing and discuss how to deal with nerves. Participants will be encouraged to try out a few different styles of song as well as working on a piece they bring to the workshop.

Dance: The Story of Dance
Wednesday 28 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown

Working with dancer and choreographer Angie Diaz young dancers will gain insight into how we can tell stories and create an emotional response from an audience through movement. As well as being put through your paces with new choreography and partner work, you will be challenged to create your own pieces.

Music: The Singer-Songwriter
Thursday 29 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown

Bring along your instrument of choice and work alongside Professional muso Mike McCarthy for the day as you write your own songs. Musicians will look at everything from lyrics and finding inspiration to finding the right riffs and musical patterns. This is a great opportunity to hone your skills and work in your preferred style.

Acting: Scripts and Scenes
Thursday 29 September 2016 – 10.00 am – 4.00 pm at the Factory, St Pius X High School, Adamstown

This engaging workshop will take young performers through techniques for approaching scripted work, including first read-through and how we take information from a script for our character, basic blocking and delivery of text and performance tips. It’s a great way to develop your acting skills. Script will be age appropriate and from a variety of theatre styles.
2017 AUDITIONS

If you are talented in any of the creative arts please ask for a form to audition for the 2017 AsPIRE Program. Closing date is for the return of these forms to the Catholic Schools Office is Friday 23 September 2016. An alternate date will also be available for those who are unable to audition on their relevant day.

If you have any queries please contact Anne Atkins at the Catholic Schools Office on (02) 4979-1331

Auditions dates are listed below:

**INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE**
Stage Band
Strings
Monday 7 November 2016
Catholic Schools Office, Newcastle

**DANCE ENSEMBLE**
Monday 7 November 2016
Catholic Schools Office, Newcastle

**DRAMA ENSEMBLE**
Tuesday 8 November 2016
Wednesday 9 November 2016
Catholic Schools Office, Newcastle

**VOCAL ENSEMBLE**
Thursday 10 November 2016
Catholic Schools Office, Newcastle
Save the date in your school calendars

CALENDAR DATES FOR SCHOOLS 2017

ASPIRE @ the Civic Theatre
Wednesday 2 August @ 11.00 am
Thursday 3 August @ 11.00 am
Friday 4 August @ 11.00 am and 7.00 pm
Saturday 5 August @ 7.00 pm

$ 10 per STUDENT
Accompanying teachers free
Tickets through Ticketek in Term 2, 2017
KIDS AND SCHOOLS REGISTER NOW!
The annual HMRI Open Day this year is on Friday, 7 October 2016. It is a free and interactive school holiday event that will open minds to Science, Technology Engineering, Maths (STEM) health and wellbeing. The multi-level expo is hosting a range of interactive activities for the young and young at heart with engaging kids science activities, interactive science shows, fun exhibitions and laboratory tours throughout the day.

HMRI will offer a range of exciting activities for young people to engage with science and learn firsthand from researchers what it’s like to be a scientists in the Hunter.

Please register today, or share this content with your school community or parents, friends, kids and teachers. We would love to see you all there!

MORE OPEN DAY INFORMATION

Kids Science Activites
There will be lots of fun and engaging things for kids and teenagers to do at the HMRI Open Day including:

- Interactive Kids Science Sessions
- Crazy Inventions Laboratory
- Making Neurons
- Bugs in your Body science exhibition

Science Fact meets Science Fiction Talk with Luke Hesson
Ever wondered what science facts lie behind science fiction pop culture? Hosted by Science Fiction Specialist Dr Luke Hesson from the Museum of Human Diseases, this talk is for the young and young at heart as we take a trip through the fascinating science behind some of the most famous Si-Fi phenomenons.
- The Heart Chamber! Hands on kids workshop including: What's in our blood activity, dissolving hearts and making a stethoscope.
- Healthy Kids Football Clinic with Mark Hughes and friends.
- and so much more!

**Time:** 3pm, Friday, 7 October 2016  
**Location:** Caves Lecture Theatre, HMRI Building

**MORE KIDS ACTIVITIES**

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**Become an official ‘HMRI Scientist for a Day’- The Science Scavenger Hunt**

Join in the science fun with the Mad Scientists Open Day Scavenger Hunt! The scavenger hunt will take our young ‘scientists’ on whirlwind search around the building as they solve science challenges, find clues and collect the science tokens along the way.

With 2 levels of science scavenger hunts available everyone will have the opportunity to get involved. Students who complete the hunt will ‘graduate’ from HMRI as a honorary ‘HMRI Scientist for the Day’, will receive a certificate and will get to have a ‘graduation’ photo with our mad scientist for their efforts.

‘Kid Scientists’ will receive a take home certificate and a copy of your photo as a keepsake of the day.

**Crazy Scientist Photo Booth**

The Open Day will be hosting a photo booth on Level 4 where everyone will be able to dress up as crazy scientists and capture the moment.
Find HMRI

**Time:** 10am - 4pm

**Venue:** HMRI Building
Lot 1 Kookaburra Circuit, New Lambton Heights, NSW, Australia, 2305

There is limited free parking onsite at HMRI. We encourage all visitors to utilise public transport or the free shuttle bus running all day from Hunter Stadium.

**Catch the bus**

For your convenience, HMRI have arranged a free shuttle buses for transporting visitors to Open Day. A bus will leave every 30 minutes for the entire day! Simply park at Hunter Stadium and catch the shuttle bus to and from the HMRI Building.

For mobility parking, please see security on entry to the HMRI car park and we will do our best to accommodate by allocating close-by car spaces (subject to availability).

We can’t wait to see you there!

7 October 2016
10am - 4pm
Old Bar Little Athletics Centre welcomes returning and new members to our season 2016/2017 registration day. Registration will be held at Old Bar Sporting Fields on Monday September 5 from 4.00pm – 5.30pm.

All registrations need to be completed online prior to attendance at the registration day. Attendance at the Registration day will enable your registration to be finalized with our centre.

If you have any questions please email us on oldbarlittleathleticscentre@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page. For more information about Little Athletics visit www.lansw.com.au.
2016/2017 CRICKET SEASON REGISTRATION DATES:

The 2016/17 cricket season is just around the corner, games are held Saturday mornings around the manning region. Registration days are Monday 29/8/16, Tuesday 30/8/16 and Wednesday 31/8/16 @ Manning Indoor Sports – Muldoon street (behind Windscreens O’Brien) from 4 – 6pm.

Please complete the link below before coming to register.

Costs – to be paid at registration days U10’s - $60    U12’s and up - $100

Or email trdignam@gmail.com for a registration form to bring to registration days.

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OLD BAR CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED
02 6553 2789
oldbarcricketclub@live.com.au
ABN 53 170 376 159

The Old Bar Cricket Club registration day at the Old Bar Reserve amenities area near the cricket nets is Saturday 17 September, between 9 am and 12 noon.

The club makes sure that all our teams have the opportunity to play some games on our turf wicket.

All are welcome as we field teams in the Manning Junior Cricket Ass in the under 10s, 12s, 14s and 16s.

All age teams are also entered in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade Manning Rivers District Cricket Association

If you cannot make the rego day contacts are—
Tony Nichols 0411 746 679
Chris Dempsey 0407 532 789
TAKING YOUR FIRST WICKET

Old Bar Cricket Club Registration Day will be on Sat 17th of Sept, 9am to 12 noon at the amenities area in the Old Bar Reserve near the cricket Nets. Register to play with our under 10s, 12s, 14s, 16s, 1st, 2nd, or 3rd grade sides.

Find out how you can create your own cricket moment at playcricket.com.au

Summer in Australia means cricket. And cricket is a fun way for kids to develop fundamental movement skills, learn about teamwork and get involved in the local community.

Contact Liz Cronk 6553 7976
Rego Day
Tony Nichols 0411746679
Chris Dempsey 0407532789
Richard Eggins 0413330078