Dear Parents,

With less than two weeks before the state election, I urge you to contact your local MPs and candidates to talk to them about the importance of capital works funding for Catholic schools in western Sydney. Without capital works funding for Catholic schools, it will be difficult to meet growing enrolment demands for Catholic schooling. This will place an even greater burden on the tax payer if places for these children need to be found in government schools.

Recently, our Executive Director of Schools, Greg Whitby met with Minister Adrian Piccoli to urge him to consider the needs of the 25% of children and young people who attend Catholic schools in western Sydney. Although the meeting was positive, no commitment to capital works funding was made. I urge you to email your local STATE member, Dominic Perrottet (hawkesbury@nswliberal.org.au), and STATE opposition candidates, Barry Calvert (barry.calvert@nswlabour.org.au) and Danielle Wheeler (hawkesbury@nsw.greens.org.au), to tell them that capital works funding is an important issue for you in the upcoming election.

God Bless

Kevin Jones
College Leadership Teams

~ Executive ~

Principal
Mr Kevin Jones

Assistant Principals
Mr Rodney Howard / Mr Harry Fernandez

Religious Education Coordinator
Mrs Mary McGuiness / Assistant: Jessica Attard

Social Justice Coordinator
Mrs Janette Wick

Business Manager
Mr Paul Cruise

Administration Coordinator
Mrs Anita Meehan

Learning Technologies Coordinator
Mrs Jeanette Lans

~ Curriculum Forum & Assistants ~

Creative Arts
Miss Carol Muscat / Assistant: Angela Rando

English
Ms Marsha Edwards / Assistant: Mrs Jeanette Lans

Human Society & Its Environment
Mr Paul Sykes / Assistant: Mr Brett Windon

Languages
Ms Felicity Lupton

Mathematics
Mrs Nichole Padden / Assistant: Mrs Sheila Fernandez

PDHPE
Mr Marc Sluiter

Careers
Mr Brett Collimore

Science
Mrs Jenelle Gavin / Assistant: Mr Steve Lans

Special Education
Mrs Jan Trefoni

Sports Coordinator
Mr Dean Bertenshaw

Technology & Applied Studies
Mr Edward Gruppetta / Mrs Lisa Cummins

Year Coordinators

Year 7 Mrs Dianne Santos
Year 8 Miss Hayley Lalor
Year 9 Miss Kristy Walsh
Year 10 Mr Nick Briffa

Senior Coordinator
Mr Stephen Godfrey
Assistant: Miss Rhiannon Marsh

Home-School Liaison Coordinator
Miss Jenny Woods

Student Counsellor
Ms Zoe Sweeney

Librarian
Mrs Kerrie Brownscombe

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

Recharging Mobile Devices:
All students are asked to ensure that their mobile devices are fully charged before they arrive at the College each day.

Illegal U Turn:
All parents and students are warned that making a U turn out of the bus bay on Rifle Range Rd is illegal. We bring this to your attention as making this turn is very unsafe, even when the 40kmh limit applies. Please do not make this turn.

Illegal Stopping in Tasman Place
This has been reported to police who will issue penalty notices to those offending.

Kevin Jones (Principal)

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MOTORISTS
RE SCHOOL BUS ZONES IN RIFLE RANGE ROAD
Please be aware that conditions have changed with the School Bus Zones in Rifle Range Road. These changes are:

1. The existing bus bay near the main car park gate is now a School Bus Zone on School Days from 8:00am-9:30am and 2:30pm-4:00pm. Therefore other than buses - any vehicle parking or stopping in this bus bay for any purpose during these times is doing so illegally. Clear signage has been erected reading “NO ENTRY - BUSES EXCEPTED” to warn motorists of this change.

2. The former School Bus Zone located near the Front Gate has been converted to a Full Time Bus Zone. Clear signage has been erected to warn motorists of this change. Therefore other than buses, any vehicle parking or stopping for any purpose in the School Bus Zone at any time, is doing so illegally.

Noodle Cups
Due to safety concerns, hot noodles cups are no longer sold at the Canteen. In addition, canteen staff are no longer able to fill noodle cups for students.
Did you know that you can download a Lent Calendar for your iPhone or Android? You can also view it on the Caritas Australia website!

Use the calendar to deepen your spirituality this Lent by learning about Caritas Australia’s work in six countries across the globe. Explore Project Compassion, meet inspiring people and reflect on the Lenten period through daily readings, prayers and social justice actions.

View or download at www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion/lent-calendar

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4th Week of Lent
Project Compassion: Sarita from Nepal

Mother of three, Sarita, could barely grow enough food for her family on her tiny farm plot. In 2007, she joined a program, run by Caritas Nepal, that gave a community group the training and support they needed to start a fish-raising business. Thanks to their hard work, Sarita and the group now have a thriving enterprise and a life-long source of food and income.

Your donation to Project Compassion 2015 helps people in rural Nepal create a life-long source of food and income to benefit entire communities.

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5th Week of Lent
Project Compassion: Christian from Peru

Cristian’s community in rural Peru has always lived a traditional life, with simple diets and crops dependent on rainfall. Until recently, 33-year-old Cristian had to travel one kilometre to access running water. With the help of Caritas Huacho, Cristian and 14 other young farmers have introduced running water and irrigation to their remote Andean village. They now grow and harvest a wide variety of high-value, sustainable crops, which provide them all with a secure income and a wide variety of food.

Your donation to Project Compassion 2015 helps farmers in Peru secure a food source and income that benefits their families and communities for life.

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<td><strong>Guest Speaker</strong></td>
<td>Nichole Padden and senior students Kate Paskin and Rebecca Owen spoke about the recent Thailand trip. Mrs Padden and twelve students from Bede Polding travelled to Thailand to work as volunteers in the Maekok Foundation, which houses 21 children. The students were able to build a playground for the children and spend time with them teaching them English and games. We viewed a short film that student Ben Johnson filmed while he was there. You can view this film by typing in the link <a href="http://woobox.com/xod39a/vote/for/6126491">http://woobox.com/xod39a/vote/for/6126491</a>. All the students and Mrs Padden were very thankful and humbled to be able to experience the journey they had been on. Librarian Kerrie Brownscombe was very excited to be able to give parents a tour of the library and the new Mezzanine level. The Mezzanine is space that senior students can study and is a wonderful addition to the library. Mrs Brownscombe invited any parents wishing to see the library to please come to the school.</td>
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<td><strong>Approval of Minutes</strong></td>
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<td>Yr 7 Parent survey - overall very positive feedback from parents. Great start to the year with the new students settling in very well. New student administration system has begun. Admin will be able to communi cate with parents via txt about absences etc. This will hopefully be running soon.</td>
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<td>Stage 6 behaviour Management. All stage 6 parents were sent a letter outlining behaviour policies. Students and teachers were asked to identify problem students.</td>
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<td>2014’s Yr 12 achieved the best results in the HSC in the history of the school.</td>
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<td><strong>Business Manager’s Report</strong></td>
<td>In brief Paul spoke about – Projects completed in the Jan holidays. General maintenance: Painting, electrical testing, pests spraying, air-con servicing etc. Major works like the Mezzanine level in the library and upgrading of the woodwork/metal work areas. Storm damage of around $30k over the holidays. Catholic Schools week over 100 parents coming for tours.</td>
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<td>Fundraising levy – Monies are starting to come in chq for $4952.50 handed over to P &amp; F tonight.</td>
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<td>Polding Walk – major school fundraiser. Walk to be held on Friday the 19th June. Aiming to raise approx. $50k. Looking forward to positive response for parent helpers.</td>
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| **Treasurer's Report** | Total Balance as of 4/3/15 $33,483.82  
Chq handed over for fundraising levy for $4952.50 |
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<td><strong>President's Report</strong></td>
<td>Thank you to our Guest speakers – Kerrie Brownscombe, Nichole Padden, Kate Paskin and Rebecca Owen.</td>
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<td><strong>New Business</strong></td>
<td>Parent Mr Hair spoke about how St Matthews runs a church service at Chisholm Catholic school every Sunday morning. It is aimed at the youth of the community. He is hoping to raise awareness to the Bede Polding community. Mr Hair will be speaking to Executive staff regarding this proposal.</td>
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| **Meeting Closed**     | Meeting closed 8.39  
Next Meeting Wednesday the 27th May. |

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**Star Spot**

*This is the star of the week.*

*Congratulations to:*

**Erin Breaden (9D19)** who has been selected in the NSWCCC girls cricket team to compete this month in Bathurst at the NSW School girls cricket championships.

*Well done - to this student*
### ASSESSMENT TASK CALENDAR

#### ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE FROM STUDENTS WEEK 9

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### A REMINDER TO ALL STUDENTS

#### Submission Instructions Years 11 / 12
- Submit the task by placing it in the Assessment Bin at the Student Foyer by 9.00am.
- Penalty for non-attendance on the day or late submission
  - Assessments submitted after 9.00am on the due date will immediately receive a 50% mark penalty of the achieved mark pending Illness/Misadventure certification.
  - Assessments submitted after 9.00am on the next day will receive a zero mark pending Illness/Misadventure certification.

#### Submission Instructions Year 7—10
- Submit the task by handing to your class teacher and signing a class list during your lesson on the due date.
- Penalty for non-attendance on the day or late submission
  - For assessments submitted after the lesson on the due date, the student will immediately receive a Thursday workshop to complete the task and submit at the end of the workshop.

### PLEASE NOTE:
In the case of any discrepancy in the assessment dates published here the date that will be used by the College in the event of any appeal or other process will be the date on the Assessment Task Cover Sheet provided directly to the student. Please contact the College if you have any concerns about any of the information published here.