On Tuesday 16th June we held our Bede Polding Assembly to celebrate our College patron and to present the Bede Polding awards. These are the College’s most prestigious awards. Only 5 students from each Year group receive these awards each year.

The students who gain these awards have been nominated by their peers and the College staff and have displayed some if not all of the values of John Bede Polding and are a credit to their parents and the College. A list of recipients is included in this newsletter.

Our patron John Bede Polding was the first appointed Bishop to Australia and we as a community draw upon the inspiration of Polding as a man of faith and action. The College motto “Called to bring Peace” aligns with Polding’s spirit in attempting to live a life inspired by the gospels and lived in service to others.

In the reading used in the liturgy Paul calls us to be humble, to consider others above ourselves. John Bede Polding was a humble man, he moved around Australia, spreading the Good News, administering the sacraments, preaching and teaching. He had a great compassion for the convicts, took an active interest in the plight of women and a great concern and sense of justice for the Aborigines, the first inhabitants of this land.

To continue John Bede Polding’s journey and traditions, as a community we must be people of faith, we must listen to and hear the messages of the Gospels and we must be people of action doing things for others not because we have to but because we want to, not selfish people but humble people.

God bless

Rodney Howard
Acting Principal
## Recipients of the Bede Polding Award

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Giving Back to the Community

Pictured below are Year 10 Food Technology students Sarah Dimech, Christine Muscat, Jacinta Xerri, Kimberley Emode, Tamara Dimech with some of the meals that they have prepared as part of the Bede Polding College Community Care program. These students are preparing these dishes as part of their Food Technology course.

The Community Care Program prepares meals and donates them to families who are experiencing times of hardship or difficulty. These meals are all cooked, packaged and frozen to allow for families to have a hot nutritious meal when they need it most. All dishes are easy for the families to store and reheat when needed.

On behalf of the Bede Polding Community thank you to all the girls who have prepared the meals so far. I look forward to working with another group of Year 10 Food Technology students next term who are already looking forward to making a positive contribution.

Mrs Cummins
Fundraiser Breakfast

Thank you to all students and staff who supported the Bacon and Egg Fundraiser Breakfast. The students and staff involved prepared 175 orders of bacon and egg sandwiches, 70 hot chocolates and 45 coffees. The fundraiser was a huge success with approximately $700 being raised for the ISV and Hawkesbury Soup Kitchen Outreach groups.
Year 9 Industrial Technology - Metal

Over the course of Term 1 and early Term 2 the students in Year 9 metal work have completed their first practical projects for the year with fantastic results in both classes. The students in Year 9 have each been making a sheet metal toolbox. This was their first project in the Course and required them to learn a range of new skills involved in using the Sheet Metal Guillotine, Magnabend and Rivet gun. All the students in both classes worked extremely hard to produce a completed project which they should be very proud of. Shown below are some the stand out toolboxes produced by Anthony Scopolletti and Cameron Vella of 9ITMA, Blake Allen and Thomas Azzopardi of 9ITMB.

St Matthew’s Hospitality Ministry Roster
Sunday 2nd August 2015

Bede Polding will be providing morning tea for the congregation after the Sunday morning service on Sunday 2nd August 2015.

Volunteers are needed from the school community to set up and cater for the morning tea as follows:

9.00 – 11.30 am
Meet in small hall
Bring a plate - even if you are unable to stay and help your donation would be appreciated

RSVP if possible to Jette Paskin (paskin@westnet.com.au) or Kim Cantin (chris.cantin@bigpond.com)

Note - you do not have to be a member of St Matthew's or a Catholic to participate in this event.
Hospitality Outreach Fundraising Event

BEDE POLDING COLLEGE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND A FUND-RAISING HIGH TEA

DATE: THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST 2015
VENUE: E BLOCK
TIME: 4:30PM – 6:30PM
COST: $45 PER PERSON
DRESS: SMART CASUAL
RSVP: MONDAY 27TH JULY

The High Tea is a fundraising event for The Hawkesbury Community Soup Kitchen and the ISV Outreach Groups. Bede Polding College students will be working alongside marginalised communities, in countries such as Thailand and South Africa, in an International Student Volunteer Program (ISV) in the January holidays 2017. Whilst there, the students will complete a minimum of 80 hours of volunteer work in a Community Development Project. Previously, these projects involved building, fencing, painting, gardening and maintenance of buildings and grounds at a children’s home in Thailand and middle school in Vietnam. This is followed by 6 days of eco-tourism and immersion in Thai and Vietnamese cultures, as well as an Australian History component such as visiting Long Tan in Vietnam and Hell Fire Pass in Thailand. All money raised from this event will go to the Hawkesbury Soup Kitchen and underprivileged communities in developing countries.

This function will be facilitated by Years 11 and 12 Hospitality Commercial Cookery and Food and Beverage students as well as the students from the ISV Outreach Group. On arrival you will be greeted with a non-alcoholic mocktail, whilst enjoying live music as entertainment. Once seated you will be presented with tea or coffee and a selection of sandwiches, savories and sweets to share between two, again being entertained by a live musical act.

Due to limited availability of seats, tickets will be allocated on a ‘first in’ basis. Please R.S.V.P. along with payment and slip below, to Miss Jasmine Wall. Payments must be received by Monday 27th July to secure your place. Tables will be arrange in groups of six (6) should you have less than six people in your group you may be seated with other guests. Should you have any special dietary requirements please contact me directly to discuss alternatives on (02) 45 77 64 55.

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Luxurious High Tea Menu

**Delectible Savouries**

- Assorted homemade mini quiche
- Tasmanian smoked salmon blini
- Gourmet sausage roll
- Caramelised onion and goats cheese tartlet
- Selection of finger sandwiches

**Delightful Sweets**

- Freshly baked scones with cream and preserves
- Crème filled profiterole
- French vanilla cheesecake
- Salted caramel chocolate tart
- Classic lemon meringue pie
- Belgium chocolate brownie

**Tea & Coffee**

A selection of teas and espresso coffee will be available to choose from on the day
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CONTACT:
Dianne Santos (BPC)
4577 6455
dsantos@parra.catholic.edu.au

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Meeting Opened  
7.07 pm

Attendees  
As per book  
Apologies – Paul Cruise

Welcome  
Jette Paskin

Prayer  
Kevin Jones

Guest Speaker  
Erin Vassallo CEO & Co-Founder of the Blue Datto Foundation. Erin spoke about how the Blue Datto Foundation has been founded to promote road safety and keeping safe for everyone in the car. Helping to educate kids before they get behind the wheel and while they are on their L’s. Also promoting that safety is a whole car approach, highlighting that every person in the car has a role to play, from the driver to the driving teacher and the passengers. The aim of the program is for all NSW students in Year 10 to have the opportunity to undertake a peer based or behavioural driver education by 2020. For more information go to the website BlueDatto.org.au.

Approval of Minutes  
Approved by Helen Jones. Seconded by Bernadette Gagan

Business Arising  
Nil

Principal’s Report  
Kevin spoke about how teachers are putting a strong emphasis on reading. The staff are being upskilled to make sure every child can be taught how to read. Some students are getting one on one teaching.

Kevin has found that most children that are being case managed are children that are having learning difficulties rather than behavioural problems.

A proposed College chapel. Kevin has written a letter to the Bishop. He has been given the blessing of the local priest and the Diocese. The chapel would seat 300 people. It would be a 3 – 4 year project.

Kevin asked the parents if there were any concerns.

Cleanliness of the toilets. Locks on the toilet doors not working. Kevin will look into and have these issues addressed immediately.

School bus – children have complained about Bus drivers not driving safely, overcrowded buses and drivers leaving children waiting at bus stops. Kevin would like parents and students to contact Busways directly and to send a copy of the email to the school.

Business Manager’s Report  
Paul was absent so Kevin passed on Paul’s business report. In brief

Upgrading and replacement of structures and seating in the school yard.

Upgrading of the Remembrance Garden in the top yard.

Fundraising Levy – A cheque was handed over to the P&F for $17,768.99 from the collection of the Fundraising Levy.

2015 Polding walk to be held on Friday 19th June. Aiming to raise $50k. Money raised will be used to provide covered awning over E block steps. Lots of parent helpers have volunteered. Need more for the day.
President’s Report

Jette spoke about St Matthew’s morning tea. Bede Polding parents are asked to volunteer food and helpers for morning tea after church on Sunday 2nd August. Reminder notice will be put in school newsletters leading up to the date.

On Thursday 13th August the ISV will be holding a High Tea fundraiser. Details will be in upcoming newsletters.

New Business

Chromebooks are still on the list to spend the P&F fundraising levy on. The chromebooks that have already been purchased are working well. Networks are being updated at the school and Kevin wants to be sure that the chromebooks will work with the upgrades before purchasing more.

The P&F are looking at changing the August general meeting date to try and accommodate Police officer Ben Gillen to come and speak with the parents. Officer Gillen is unable to come on the 19th August.

Meeting Closed

Meeting closed 8.07pm

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**Star Spot**

*These are the stars of the week.*

**Congratulations to:**

- **Jack Harrison (11B6)** and **Luke Harrison (9D20)** who are competing in the Catalina Waterski Race in America in July.

- **Mark Harkins (9D22)** who is competing in the Australian Open Lawn Bowls tournament at the Gold Coast in June.

- **Emily Jones (11B4)** who participated in the State Interschools Equestrian Vaulting Competition and won the overall Champion for Secondary Schools. Emily will also be representing Australia at the Junior World Championships in the Netherlands next term. We wish her the best of luck on her journey to the Netherlands.

- **Erin Ryan (11E1)** who placed 1st in the 60cm Equestrian Show Jumping event at Arndell Interschool Derby and Show Jumping Competition.

**Well done - to all these students**
SMS Absence messages – Rodney Howard

You will be aware that for the past 5 weeks we have been using a system that send an SMS to you when your child is absent from school. There have been a few issues but we are gradually working through these and we appreciate your patience in the implementation of this system.

If you reply to this message there is no need to send in a note to explain the absence the SMS is sufficient. If you do not reply a note must be sent in with your child and given to their homeroom teacher on the day of return.

In your reply please include the following details:
Child first and surname, Year group and homeroom (if known), reason for absence.
Example:
Kylie Howard, 8D2, sick with a cold.
Nikki Howard, 11, orthodontist appointment

Please do not call the number sent in the SMS, it is only for SMS replies.
If you need to call to clarify any details please call the College office on 4577 6455.

Bede Polding Awards Assembly 2015
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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.

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Lost Property

A number of lost clothing articles are constantly being handed in at the student foyer. Most have no name marked on them which means they cannot be returned to their rightful owners. Any items of lost clothing that are not claimed by students from the Student Foyer before the end of Week 2 Term 3 will be handed to the clothing pool.

Please note that there are also items such as jewellery, prescription glasses, wallets, keys, pencil cases unclaimed.