



# GOOD SAMARITAN CATHOLIC COLLEGE HINCHINBROOK NEWSLETTER

COLLEGE THEME 2007: "PREPARE THE WAY"

**Issue 10**

**Friday, 22 June 2007**

Dear Parents and Friends of the College,

Next Tuesday evening, Thursday evening and Friday, the College will be distributing Semester One Reports and conducting Parent Teacher Student Interviews for Years 7—10. This is an ideal time for parents and students to gain insights into student progress. I ask all parents to ensure that they are able to make a time to discuss their child's progress with their teachers. It is essential that parents are fully informed of student progress and an interview certainly adds to the information that is being given.

On Tuesday June 12, a number of Good Samaritan teachers met with the staff of Good Shepherd Primary to discuss teaching and learning in all Key Learning Areas. The interaction allowed meaningful discussion which will form the basis of future directions in teaching and learning at both schools. This meeting is a continuation of the transition program which began in 2006. The discussions were quite fruitful and will further assist the transition of students from Year 6 to Year 7 and indeed Kindergarten to Year 12 in future years.

At the end of this term Mr Brown, Mr Vella and Mr Byrne will leave the College. Mr Brown will be traveling overseas and has decided to leave after two years of dedicated service. Mr Byrne and Mr Vella have been at the College on a temporary appointments and will leave as Mrs Arora and Miss Nolan return after their respective periods of leave. I thank Mr Brown, Mr Vella and Mr Byrne for their contribution to the College and assure them that they have certainly made a significant difference to the education to the students at Good Samaritan.

Next week, the College will celebrate Naidoc Week. Naidoc Week is actually celebrated from July 8 to 15 which is during

the school holidays. This year's theme is "Looking forward looking back". Naidoc Week is celebrated in the first full week in July every year to reflect on the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders. The College Community will acknowledge this week in our final assembly for the term. We will have a number of representatives of the aboriginal community at the assembly and they will speak to the students about the significance of Naidoc Week as well as the contribution of Indigenous peoples to Australia.

Congratulations to Andrew Papallo of Year 12, who will be presented with the Pierre de Coubertin Award at Sydney Olympic Park today. The award recognises "A student who through their participation demonstrates attributes of fair play and respect for others" which Andrew has certainly done during his time at the College. Andrew truly deserves this award.

On July 1st, students and teachers of the College will travel to Tumbalong Park to welcome the World Youth Day Cross and Icon to Sydney. The Cross and Icon have been taken to many places across the world on the journey to Australia. This is a significant event in the life of the Church in Australia and in the lead up to World Youth Day 2008. Young people everywhere are encouraged to welcome the Cross and Icon and to join in this pilgrimage of faith. July 1st provides an opportunity for young Catholics to embrace the theme of World Youth Day and to pray that the Holy Spirit continues to guide our youth into the future. Any students who wish to welcome the Cross and Icon on July 1st should inform Miss Darmody so that transport can be arranged.

Over the last few weeks Ms Williamson has been absent from the College as she has undergone surgery and follow up medical treatment. I ask everyone in our community to keep Ms Williamson in your prayers as she recuperates.

As the semester draws to a close I wish all students a safe holiday. I look forward to the student's return in semester 2.

God Bless,

**Mr John Lo Cascio**  
Principal

### From the Assistant Principal

#### Silver Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Silver Awards at this week's assembly.

Joseph Ragusa  
Zoe Smith  
Brooke Bellingham  
Mark Bawalan x 2

#### Parent Teacher Student Interviews

The College will be conducting Parent, Teacher, Student interviews for Years 7 – 10 in three sessions at the end of this Term. The first afternoon will be Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June for students in the Chisholm, De Paul and La Salle houses from 3.30-8pm. The second afternoon will be Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June for students in the Mackillop, Merici and Polding Houses from 3.30-8pm. Interviews will also be conducted on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June from 9am-3pm for any parents and students who could not attend the previous sessions.

#### Parent Information Night

The College will be holding an Information Evening for interested parents on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. The presentation will be conducted by Constable Jennifer Carey, the Schools Liaison Officer. The topics for the evening will be Cyber Crime for Parents and Safe parties. The evening will begin at 7pm in the College Library. Parents wishing to attend the evening are requested to contact the college office to register their expression of interest.

#### School Day Commencement

A reminder to parents and students that all students are required to be at the College by the first warning bell at 8.25am in the morning. There have been an increasing number of students regularly late in the morning and are missing vital information. I would ask that parents and students ensure that they are at college with enough time to attend morning PC.

#### Traffic

Parents are reminded that all roundabouts in the College are no standing and no stopping zones. Any parents dropping students off in the morning need to do so in the bus bay.

#### Vaccinations

Reminder to parents and students that the second course of injections for girls in Year 10 to 12 will be administered next Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June. It is essential for the girls to receive all the courses of the injections for the program to be effective.

Mr R Grech

### Parenting Corner....

With SHREK 3 being screened in our cinemas at present I thought a few reflections on SHREK might be appropriate. I'm a slow learner when it comes to current movies, having only been introduced to SHREK 1 three weeks ago! However, I find it amazing how unusual characters like SHREK, PRINCESS FIONA and ET (from another decade!) capture our imaginations, no matter the age, and become quite loveable with their abnormalities. They bring us very important messages; and our young people are hopefully learning some lessons from them. It is about ACCEPTING WHO WE ARE with LIMITATIONS for sure but at the same time BEING OPEN TO TRANSFORMATION through the LOVE and FRIENDSHIP of OTHER PEOPLE. We all have it within ourselves to be better people!

May the up-coming holidays afford us all the time to breathe more deeply and reflect on who we and our families are. A song from the musical GODSPELL, which alludes to our GOD and the CHRIST-LIKE PRESENCE in each of us, could be our prayer:

*To see You more clearly  
Follow You more nearly  
Love You more dearly  
Day by Day by Day*

Sister Marj Carroll

#### Thank You

A huge thank you to the Lizada Family for their donation of basketball jerseys and shorts that the senior boys representative side will be wearing this season of the MISA competition. The teams' uniforms were organised by the Lizada Family and I am sure the boys will wear them with pride. They are greatly appreciated by the school.

Thanks again,

**Mrs L Colman**  
Senior Boys Basketball Coach

## Technology News...

### Student Laptop Loans

The College offers students the opportunity to borrow a laptop for the purpose of academic work. The Laptop Loan Program is designed to allow students to make use of computing equipment while conducting research at home. A limited number of laptops are available for students to borrow. For further information, see Mr Reyes.

### mySpace, Bebo, YouTube

The College takes a serious stand on blocking internet sites that are deemed to jeopardise the safety of students. These sites include mySpace, Bebo and YouTube. A firewall has been established to block these sites, yet a small number of students still continue to attempt to access unauthorised places on the internet. Again, the College is serious in making sure that the safety of our students is paramount when it comes to providing online services. Any such attempt to access unauthorised sites is recorded and dealt with severely.

### New Student ID Cards

All students should have now received their new ID cards. The new card has a special data strip on the reverse side to access College resources which include photocopier access, laptop loans and library resources. It is essential that students keep their card in a safe place (such as their diary) so that they can access the resources the College has on offer.

### Mr J Reyes, IT Co-ordinator

## Social Justice

Would you like to "make a difference"? Well, here is a wonderful opportunity if you are in Year 10, 11 or 12. Charles Sturt University is organising a creative writing competition titled "Making a Difference". This competition focuses on social justice issues such as homelessness, drugs, poverty, crime, etc. You will be required to write an engaging story, poem or a script based on one of these topics.

The competition closes on 23rd July. Four major winners will be selected and they will each receive a cash prize of \$250. An additional \$250 will be sent to a charity of your choice. Your work may also be published in "FourW" an annual anthology for creative writing and artwork produced by the Booranga Writers' Centre for 2008. For further details please contact Mrs Marcellienus.

## Mock Trial Update...

Last week the College continued its participation in the Mock Trial Competition. Round 4 saw the team up against Moorebank High School. The case was certainly easier for the defence, but it is more important to win on points rather than on the verdict.

Good Samaritan was the prosecution, trying to prove beyond reasonable doubt that there had been a breach of trafficking and supplying drugs. As the prosecution, students based their case around the known habits of the accused and his friends, and the assumption that a reasonable person may have assumed that these habits were continued on the date in question.

The defence based their case around the loose evidence of the illicit substance, the manner in which it was detained and also looking at the ownership of the illegal substance.

Fortunately, we won on points in a close decision. All students again performed admirably. Congratulation to all team members on another great effort.

The round 4 team was:

Barrister 1	Kelly-Anne Velnic
Barrister 2	Eugene Campisi
Solicitor	Stephanie Natoli
Witness 1	Ashleigh Pontifex
Witness 2	Elizabeth Camilleri
Court Clerk	Tiana Romeo

**Mr D Costin  
Coach**

## Public Speaking Toastmasters

Do you want to be able to practise, develop and enhance your communication and leadership skills? If you want to venture into public speaking why not try Toastmasters. Toastmasters will provide a positive learning environment that is mutually supportive and informative.

This is a 15 week course that will start from Week 2 Term 3 and continue into Term 4. It will occur every Monday in the school premises from 3.15 pm to 4.15 pm. The cost is \$20 for the entire course. Students will be issued with a certificate from Toastmasters at the end of this course. For more information please contact Mrs Marcellienus or Mr Dominish. Please see tear-off slip included in this newsletter.

## Confirmation Good Shepherd Parish

Congratulations to the following students who were confirmed at Good Shepherd on the weekend.

Zachariah Sanna  
Hannah Gilvear  
Christina Mori  
Tony Tripodi  
Joseph Ragusa  
Anthony Abbate  
Chloe Callus

May they continue to be guided and strengthened by the Spirit in their adolescent years and grow up to be strong, faith-filled adults.

## Curriculum Co-ordinator

### Year 11 2008

Our Year 10 students will soon be making decisions regarding subject selection for their Preliminary HSC year in 2008. As a part of the process, students and their parents will be expected to attend an Information Evening that includes a subject market to allow teachers to answer questions about the courses offered in the senior years.

Students and their parents will also be required to make an appointment with the College to finalise their subject choices.

#### 30<sup>th</sup> July at 7 pm

Year 11 2008 Information Evening Presentation (subject market commences at 6.30 pm and continues after the presentation.)

9<sup>th</sup> August 3.30 – 7pm Year 11 2008 Student/Teacher Interviews held (bookings required).

#### Language and Creative Arts Scholarships - Study Overseas

Students aged 15 to 18 years are invited to apply for a number of scholarships overseas through Student Exchange Australia. These scholarships range from \$1,500 to \$3,500 and are open to students wishing to study a language or an area of Creative Arts.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Student Exchange Australia on 9997 0700 or contacting me at the college.

#### Sydney West Lectures for HSC or SC Students.

St Andrew's College Marayong is providing an extensive lecture program for students in their School Certificate of Higher School Certificate year. The lectures help students prepare for examinations across a broad range of topics and are delivered by senior teachers, HSC markers and academics in specific courses. Lectures are \$20 for 3 HSC lectures and \$10 for 2 School Certificate lectures.

Dates are June 26 and 27 and students can apply online at [www.standrews.nsw.edu.au](http://www.standrews.nsw.edu.au) or by telephoning St Andrew's College direct.

**Mrs C Peterson**  
Curriculum Co-ordinator

## Sport News...

### Congratulations to Christopher El-Hayek - Year 7

Christopher finished 9th in the NSW CCC Cross Country last Friday. He will now represent NSW CCC in the NSW All Schools Championships to be held at Eastern Creek on Friday 20th July 2007.

## Year 10 Geography Excursion

On Thursday June 14th classes 10.2, 10.4 and 10.6 embarked on the geography part of our geography/history excursions. The excursion aimed to help us complete fieldwork needed for our school certificate. We went to Penrith Lakes and Warragamba Dam. Year 10 enjoyed two presentations throughout the day which gave us an in depth insight into what is being done to sustain Sydney's vital water supply. We were even educated on the Penrith Lakes' long-term scheme in developing the lakes for recreational purpose. At Penrith Lakes, we were given an interesting introductory take on the lakes resources and facilities. We were then taken on a guided tour throughout the lake's environment. We continuously stopped on our trail to complete activities provided by the centre, which were relevant to our course in terms of understanding Water Management. After having lunch upon arriving at Warragamba Dam, we were taken up to the pier at the dam and got to stretch our sights as part of our fieldwork. The dam was amazingly high. What was more astounding was the fact that Warragamba Dam's water levels are at an all time low. We ended the day by engaging in discussions on Water Management strategies and finishing off our fieldwork sheets. All in all, year 10 underwent an educational experience that made us all aware of the importance of sustaining water. The excursion was highly beneficial in raising the water crisis concern, something that is common to all Sydney-siders.

#### Natasha Perre (Class 10.6)

On the 14th June half of the year 10 students went to the history excursion whilst the other half went to the geography excursion as part of the HSIE requirements for year 10. The geography students ventured out to Penrith Lakes and then to Warragamba Dam. After our comfortable bus ride we arrived at Penrith Lakes where we were welcomed by the friendly instructors. Our instructor, Bob, took us around a retention lake and explained the different forms of water management and then he showed a part of the widespread Penrith Lakes. After we ate recess we drove off to Warragamba dam and ate lunch. Our new instructor explained to us how rare it is to be able to visit the dam because entrance from the public isn't permitted. She explained to us the structure of the dam and its different overflow gates. Then we went into a warm room where we went through the different factors affecting water quality, the runoff and size of the 21 dams in Australia. Overall it was a very educational day and we thank the teachers who organised the excursion and for taking the time to come on the excursion with us.

**Helen Said (Class 10.4)**



## WYD 2008 CORNER 388 DAYS TO GO!

### Arrival of the WYD Cross and Icon on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2007

The Good Samaritan Community invites you to join in the celebrations of the official arrival and welcome of the World Youth Day Cross and Icon at Tumbalong Park, Darling Harbour on Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Guy Sebastian has been invited to attend and perform with Paulini during this great celebration, to release the WYD Anthem "Receive the Power".

Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 have received a personal invitation to attend the event via their Catholic Studies and Senior Religion classes. The college will organise coach transport to attend the event based on the numbers of interested students. Places will be limited on the coach so students are to return their RSVP as soon as possible to their Catholic Studies teacher. Likewise, if there are any junior students in Years 7, 8 or 9 who would like to attend the Journey of the Cross and Icon event with the college, you are also very welcome to attend. If you would like to attend, please see Miss Darmody during the WYD meetings, held during the second half of lunch in Room C5 on Thursdays. Permission notes will follow for interested students who would like to attend the event arranged through the college.

This event is not just limited to our senior students. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to attend, so why not make this a fun family day out? All are very welcome. We hope to have a large representation of students, families and friends of Good Samaritan Catholic College at this event.

### The WYD Cross and Icon in the Parishes of Sydney 2<sup>nd</sup>– 8<sup>th</sup> July 2007

Attached to this newsletter is also a summary of the locations as to where the Cross and Icon will journey over the week of July 1 to July 8. The feeder parishes of Good Samaritan belong to the Western Deanery, and our Deanery hosts the Cross and Icon on Monday July 2. Specific details were also publicised in the last college newsletter. Again, you are warmly invited and very welcome to attend these local parish based events to prepare for the veneration of the WYD Cross and Icon in the lead up to WYD 2008.

### New WYD Curriculum Module – Module 3 – recently launched

The latest module of the WYD Curriculum has been released to be used within the Religious Education curriculum to enhance students understanding of the Catholic faith through exploring the many elements of WYD. This module focuses on Reconciliation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. It is hoped that students will come to a deeper understanding and appreciation of these two traditions within our Catholic faith.

### Fancy a Cappuccino, Latte or Espresso for WYD? Thank you to the Year 9 Italian class...

National Italian Day was celebrated earlier during the month and the Year 9 Italian class did not want to miss the occasion. The Year 9 students along with Mrs Anastasio and Ms Kennedy teamed up with the WYD Student Committee to prepare a fundraising morning tea for staff on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. The students donated, prepared and served freshly percolated Italian coffee and an assortment of beautiful Italian biscuits and delights to the staff. A very special **THANKYOU** goes to the Year 9 Italian class, Mrs Anastasio and Ms Kennedy, for their efforts. This fundraiser was the first of several over the next 12 months, to assist in WYD projects and help subsidise students from our college to attend WYD 2008.

### The excitement begins...

As we begin to count down the final twelve months to WYD 2008, may we truly be inspired to use the gifts bestowed on us by the Holy Spirit to be true witnesses to our Catholic faith. And so we pray:

*We make this prayer through the Sign of the Cross. In the name of the Father, who gives to all the gift of his love through World Youth Day, and who has entrusted to our nation the sign of the cross, and of the Son, who was crucified out of love for us and who teaches us to carry our cross with courage and hope, and of the Holy Spirit, who makes us witnesses of love to the ends of the earth. We pray for the Journey of the Cross and Icon throughout the Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. May this pilgrimage bless the lives of all who encounter Christ on the cross and behold the image of Mary our mother. We ask that this journey may truly prepare young hearts and our nation for World Youth Day 2008. Amen.*

**Miss A Darmody**  
WYD 2008 Co-ordinator

Tear-off -----

## Toastmasters

Yes, I am interested in my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ taking part in the Toastmasters Public Speaking Course. Please return slip to the College Office as soon as possible.

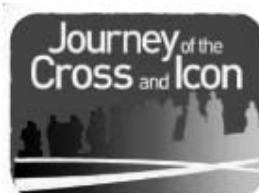
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SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE

# Journey of the World Youth Day Cross and Icon

2-8 July 2007



**2 July** 6.00am Dawn Mass @ Holy Spirit Parish, Carnes Hill  
12.30pm BBQ @ Patrician Brothers College, Fairfield  
6.30pm Procession and Youth Concert @ Liverpool Catholic Club.

**3 July** 8.00am Mass @ St Luke's Parish, Revesby  
11.00am Procession from St Brendan's Parish, Central Bankstown | 12.00 noon Lunch and Liturgy @ St Felix's Parish, Bankstown | 4.30pm WYD Cross Engagement @ St Joseph's Hospital and Village, Auburn | 6.00pm St John of God Parish, Auburn | 9.30pm Prayer and Veneration @ St Martha's Parish, Strathfield.

**4 July** 6.30am Mass @ St Martha's Parish, Strathfield  
8.00am Liturgy @ Strathfield Park | 9.45am St Mary's Parish, Concord | 11.00am All Hallows, Five Dock | 2.00pm Kissing Point Park, Putney | 7.30pm BBQ & Veneration @ St Charles Borromeo Parish, Ryde.

**5 July** 9.00am Mass @ St Joan of Arc, Haberfield | 10.00-11.45am Pilgrimage walk from Haberfield to Leichhardt  
12.30pm Liturgy @ St Fiacre's, Leichhardt | 4.00pm-6.00pm WYD Cross and Icon visit to Calvary Hospital, Kogarah | 7.30pm Mass, BBQ, Veneration and All-Night Vigil @ Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Earlwood.

**6 July** 8.30am depart from Central Stn | 11.00am Town Hall | 11.45pm Martin Place | 12.45pm Botanical Gardens  
3.30pm St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst | 7.30pm Hyde Park | 10.00pm Walk through Oxford Street.

**7 July** 6.30am Dawn Service @ La Perouse | 10.30am Cross Arrives @ Coogee Beach | 12.00 noon Bali Memorial, Coogee Beach | 12.30pm Start of Coastal Walk | 2.00pm Bronte Beach | 4.30pm Cross and Icon Arrive at Bondi Beach | 5.30pm Vigil Mass | 7.00pm Youth Concert @ Bondi Beach & Liturgy starts @ St Patrick's Parish, Bondi | 8.00pm Cross and Icon Arrive @ St Patrick's, Bondi.

**8 July** 10.00am Mass and Procession with Cross and Icon @ St Patrick's Church Hill, Wynyard | 12.30pm Circular Quay Gathering | 2.00pm Ferry Ride to Manly Wharf  
3.00pm Handover of the WYD Cross and Icon to Broken Bay Diocese.

## What is World Youth Day?

World Youth Day (WYD) is a week of events for youth and with youth. WYD was initiated by the late Pope John Paul II. 2008 marks the 23rd WYD, when young people from around the world will gather to celebrate and learn about the Catholic faith and build bridges of friendship and hope between continents, peoples and cultures. Sydney will host the 2008 WYD from 15-20 July. All people are invited to share the spirit of WYD.

## WYD Cross and Icon

The WYD Cross is the most significant and tangible symbol of WYD. The 3.8 metre-high wooden Cross was entrusted to the young people of the world by Pope John Paul II to be carried throughout the world as a symbol of God's love for humanity. It has been to every continent, most countries, to parliaments, even to Ground Zero in New York after September 11 and to East Timor earlier this year. In 2003 Pope John Paul II gave an icon of Jesus and Mary to accompany the Cross. The WYD Cross and Icon are not venerated in their own right, but as symbols that lead and encourage people to prayer and reflection and to grow in friendship with God.

## Get Involved!

Young people will carry the WYD Cross and Icon across Australia from July 2007 to July 2008 and will visit capital cities, tiny villages, coastal and outback places – even your own neighbourhood. You and your loved ones are invited to visit when these symbols arrive in your local area.

For more information, go to [www.cyshouse.org.au](http://www.cyshouse.org.au)

## Career News....

### Years 10 & 12 at Careers and Employment Expo, June 22<sup>nd</sup>

On Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, all students in years 10 and 12 will travel by bus to the Careers and Employment Expo at Darling Harbour Convention Centre.

For Year 10 and 12 leavers, this is a great opportunity to meet representatives of companies that offer employment and further training and apply for, or find out about, opportunities that exist for 2008. Representatives of several group training companies and some of Australia's leading companies offering apprenticeships, traineeships and cadetships will be present. Many universities, TAFE institutes and private colleges will also be represented.

For Year 10 students contemplating further study in 2008, finding out about course requirements, jobs and training can help in selecting HSC courses and maintaining focus to achieve a purpose in continuing.

Students will be in full winter uniform; students intending to apply for jobs should bring a few copies of a resume.

### Macquarie University events

July 13 Doing Business @EFS For Years 10 – 12 students. This program of practical experiences by Division of Economic and Financial Services introduces students to the expectations and practices of the world of business and finance.

July 10 - 14 HSC Enrichment Program For year 12 students. Full and half day lectures in Physics (July 10 – 11), Chemistry (July 12 – 13) and English (July 14) Designed to complement students own examination preparation.

July 25 Parent Information Evening; Topics include "Demystifying the UAI", "How to manage stress and the HSC" and "Dealing with transition"

All bookings, maps and detailed agenda at [www.futurestudent.mq.edu.au](http://www.futurestudent.mq.edu.au) or by contacting Katherine Johnstone on (02)9850 9446.

### 2008 Teacher Education Scholarship Program

The NSW Department of Education and Training will award 230 scholarships to ensure more graduate teachers are available in the schools where they are needed most. Required subject areas include Maths, Science, English or Technological and Applied Studies.

At least 30 of the scholarships are for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students interested in teaching either primary education OR any secondary teaching subject area.

The scholarships cover the cost of HECS fees & a training grant of \$1,500 for each year of the scholarship to meet the costs of incidentals, textbooks and student administration fees.

On successful completion of studies, scholarship holders will be guaranteed permanent employment in a NSW public school in Sydney's western or south-western suburbs or in a non-coastal rural area of NSW.

Application and Information Packages will be available at <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/employment/teachnsw/scholarships.htm> from mid July 2007 OR by phoning 1300 301 435 AFTER this date.

### Executive Director's Teacher Education Scholarship

Year 12 students enrolled at selected Catholic Colleges, including Good Samaritan Catholic College, and who apply to ACU as first choice or to Notre Dame for direct entry to begin a teaching degree in 2008 are eligible to apply for this scholarship which offers \$2000 support for HECS each year to a maximum of \$8000. Interested students should see Mr Berry for an application form to be submitted by September 28<sup>th</sup> 2007 to Southern Region Office.

### Catholic Education Office 2007 Jubilee Teacher Training Scholarship and Sydney Catholic Schools Scholarship

2007 Jubilee Teacher Training Scholarship is open to students of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage who would like to pursue a career in teaching in Catholic schools. The Sydney Catholic Schools Scholarship is open to any student currently attending Year 12 in a Sydney Catholic Systemic School. The criteria are similar for both to the Executive Director's Teacher Education Scholarship, as is the source of an application form.

### Australian Ballet School Auditions

The Australian Ballet School is the national centre of excellence in classical dance training. The School offers an eight year program for training the highest calibre of dance students to vocational level.

The Australian Ballet School conducts preliminary auditions each year for both the Junior and Senior Programs in Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth, and occasionally in other major cities across Australia. Students undertaking these preliminary auditions are given a short physical examination and a classical ballet class.

Successful applicants for the Junior School and Interstate/International Junior Program (IJP) are notified in the weeks following these local auditions.

The Senior School finalists may then be invited to attend the National Finals held in Melbourne.

NOTE: Students aged 9-14 years audition for the Junior School & students aged from 15 years audition for the Senior School.

#### \* 2007 AUDITIONS


Brisbane (Auditions/Masterclasses): 21 – 22 June Sydney (Auditions/Masterclasses): 25 – 29 June

Melbourne (Auditions only): 23 – 27 July Melbourne (National Audition Finals): 6 – 10 August

\* APPLICATION FEE - \$90 (Dancers aged 9 to 16 years may also audition by DVD at any time during the year.

<http://www.australianballetschool.com.au/auditions.html>

Mr S Berry, Careers Adviser



## DATES TO REMEMBER

**25th June**  
Vaccinations Year 10-12 Girls

**26th June**  
Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews Year 7-10  
De Paul, Chisholm La Salle  
3.30 pm-8 pm

**28th June**  
Naidoc Assembly 11 am  
Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews  
Year 7-10 Merici, MacKillop, Polding  
3.30 pm-8 pm

**29th June**  
Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews  
9 am-3pm  
End Term 2

**16th July**  
Term 3 Begins

### Employment Opportunities

Applications are invited for the position of Sport Liaison Officer at Magdalene Catholic High School. This position is primarily an organisation role for the MISA weekly inter-school sporting competition.

School Support Officer—Level 4. Average 1 day per week (41 school weeks/year)  
Commencement is negotiable during Term 3, 2007.

*Applications close Friday 29 June 2007*  
*Address application to:*  
*MISA President*  
*C/- Magdalene Catholic High School*  
*PO Box 222 NARELLAN NSW 2567*

### “Catch the Wave” - WYD08 Newsletter to Sydney Catholic Schools

Welcome to Catch the Wave a newsletter to encourage all Catholic schools in Sydney to jump on board and ride towards World Youth Day (WYD) in Sydney in 2008. We hope to keep you informed as Sydney prepares to host this amazing once-in-a-lifetime event that will attract up to 500,000 youth pilgrims, including up to 125,000 international visitors. For more information refer to: ‘Catch the wave’ and become an e PILGRIM register now at: [www.wyd2008.org](http://www.wyd2008.org)

<b>CANTEEN ROSTER</b>				
<b>MONDAY 25.06.07</b>	<b>TUESDAY 26.06.07</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 27.06.07</b>	<b>THURSDAY 28.07.07</b>	<b>FRIDAY 29.06.07</b>
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<b>Help! Canteen volunteers needed for Thursdays and Fridays for Term 3</b>				

### CEO, Parent Education Programs

#### YOGA PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

##### ‘MAGICMATYOGA4KIDS’

Developing calm creative kids  
In the classroom and at home  
Paddington United Church 395 Oxford Street  
Thursday, June 14, 5:30pm—7.00pm  
Phone: Sarah on 0408 118 907

#### PROMOTING POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS

Workshop will explore ways to support children’s social learning (behaviour).

Case scenarios will be discussed and strategies will be practised.  
Learning Links, 12-14 Pindari Road, Peakhurst  
Phone: 9534 1710 or  
email [mail@learninglinks.org.au](mailto:mail@learninglinks.org.au)  
Cost: \$60

#### [www.reachout.asn.au](http://www.reachout.asn.au)

Australian information website covering a range of issues from relationships, feelings to finding employment and other services.

#### [www.kidshelp.com.au](http://www.kidshelp.com.au)

Web counselling for children and young people ages 15—18.

#### [www.makeanoise.ysp.org.au](http://www.makeanoise.ysp.org.au)

Health information site for young people.

#### [www.thesourse.gov.au](http://www.thesourse.gov.au)

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#### **Did you know about new Medicare Rebates?**

On 1st November 2006, the Australian Government introduced changes to Medicare to increase access to psychologists for people with mental health conditions. These conditions include ADHD, ADD and Anxiety Disorders. There are different rebates depending on whether the psychologist is registered as a generalist or specialist provider. For more information talk to your GP or contact Medicare.