

ST EDWARD'S COLLEGE NEW SLETTER A WEEKLY COMMUNICATION FOR PARENTS, FRIENDS, STAFF & STUDENTS



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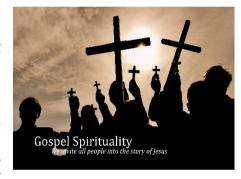
Term 3, Week10 - 21 Sep 2017

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Edmund Rice Education Australia Touchstone Gospel Spirituality

We invite people into the story of Jesus and strive to make his message of compassion, justice and peace a living reality within our community.

Parents choose St Edward's College for their son's education for many reasons. One reason often expressed by parents when interviewed prior to starting in Year 7 is the support that the College provides families in developing strong Christian values, values of compassion, justice and peace. Working with families in developing these values is central to the College's vision and mission. There are many examples throughout the year when the boys at St Edward's demonstrate that they are living by these values. I was informed last week by the Acting Deputy Principal of Holy



Cross Primary School Chris Franklin, of the compassionate and selfless actions of three of our St Edward's boys while catching the bus home after school, the three boys, being Ben Selwood (Year 9), Sean Selwood (Year 11) and Chaz Schram (Year 11). The parents of these boys no doubt are very proud of them as are the teaching staff of St Edward's. I have provided the details of the correspondence received from Chris Franklin below.







"I am writing to inform you of some excellent stewardship by some of your students on bus 2517 (to Bensville) this afternoon.

One of our Year 1 students vomited on the bus just after leaving Holy Cross School this afternoon and it has been reported to me that three of your students reacted in a very Christian manner to assist this young girl. I am told that Ben Selwood gave up his seat for our student and then went through the bus asking other students for tissues and plastic bags to clean up. When he returned Ben used these tissues to clean up our student who still had vomit on her face and clothing, as well as cleaning the floor of the bus. Sean Selwood also assisted in helping our student by helping to calm her down so that she was not upset and also helped to clean her clothes. Another senior student of St Edward's Chaz Schram spoke to the driver, got

the window keys and went through the bus opening windows so that our student, and the other students on the bus, had some fresh air.

I am told that Sean Selwood also remained on the bus for two extra stops so that he could ensure that Zara, our student, was OK; fortunately, Zara's mum was at the bus stop when they got off. Sean would have had to walk an extra distance home due to his caring actions.

I wanted to pass this information on to you to commend these three students and also to let you know that they set an excellent example of the fine young men that your College is fostering. Thank you to these students who assisted someone in need and put her needs before their own.

With regards, Chris Franklin Acting Assistant Principal"

FROOM THE PRINCIPAL

FAREWELL YEAR 12

We bid our Year 12 students farewell this week. We mark the end of their formal classes with three very special ceremonies. The first of these ceremonies is the Graduation Mass that was held on Wednesday night in the Edmund Rice Centre. This is the final time that Year 12 students will gather as a group with their parents and family members to celebrate the Eucharist at St Edward's College. The theme for this mass is "Young Men with Purpose", which has been their Pastoral Theme for the year. This wonderful celebration serves to challenge the young men of Year 12 to continue to become the best young adults they can be.

On Thursday (this morning) the St Edward's Old Boys Union provided a breakfast for the Year 12 students to officially welcome them into the Old Boys fraternity. A whole school academic assembly followed this breakfast, where we acknowledged students for their academic endeavours. First and second place in each course and various special awards in leadership and service were presented and the Dux of the 2017 year was announced.

I wish all of Year 12 the very best of luck in their final exams and look forward to seeing them at the HSC results BBQ on Friday 15th December.

REPORTS

The Term 3 interim reports will be uploaded to the Student and Parent Portal on Friday of this week. The focus of this report is to provide you and your son with specific information in relation to his level of application and effort to his studies throughout Term 3 and not on his performance in terms of a mark or grade. The descriptors in this report are based on the College's Code for Learning, which outlines the expectations of all students in relation to their learning. Students are encouraged to reflect on their progress in relation to previous terms and the learning goals that they have established for the year. I encourage all parents to take the time to discuss with their son, the contents of this report in relation to their learning goals.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

At the Staff Development Day scheduled for this Friday, all teachers and support staff will be reflecting on how they in their role, work towards promoting the values that underpin the four Touchstones of Edmund Rice Schools. The touchstone of Liberating Education, Gospel Spirituality, Inclusive Community and Justice and Solidarity, provide the basis for our vision and mission as a College. They are our point of difference and frame our Strategic Directions. We believe that it is important that we take time to reflect on how they guide us in our work with the boys in our care.

PREMIERS ANZAC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

St Edward's College submitted an Expression of Interest for a Year 10 or 11 student in 2018 to be the recipient of the Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship (PAMS). This scholarship provides the necessary funds for a student to attend the PAMS Tour in 2018. I am pleased to announce that St Edward's College was selected in the ballot from over one hundred



registered schools across NSW. One of our students will be the recipient of this scholarship enabling them to attend the tour.

Whereas the itinerary for the 2018 tour is yet to be finalised, the 2017 tour in September will see twenty students and three teachers from across NSW visit significant Australian battlefields in Belgium and France including Villiers Bretonneux, Bullecourt and Fromelles on a 12-day tour. The students and teachers will also attend the official commemorations of the Battle of Polygon Wood at Ypres, Belgium. This is an amazing opportunity for a student from the College to experience international cultures and further their education in some of Australia's most important historical events.

Students who are interested in being considered for this tour are invited to submit an application that will be subject to a two stage selection process.

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Stage 1

The first stage of this process requires students to submit a piece of work on a theme or topic that relates to the Centenary of Anzac. It needs to be appropriate to the level of the student and does not need to be related to a subject being studied. Suggested themes to base work around are:

- The importance of commemoration
- The effect of the war on communities in Australia
- The returned soldier
- The effect of the Great War on women

Submissions can include:

- Essay of 1000 words (word count does not include references or footnotes)
- Poem or short story
- Audio presentation (maximum 10 minutes)
- Video presentation (maximum 10 minutes)
- Musical composition a song or instrumental
- Digital presentation
- Web page or PowerPoint
- Artwork painting, drawing, photograph or textile

Submissions are due to Mr Hannelly by 3:00pm on Monday 9th October (First day term 4).

Stage 2

A panel consisting of staff from St Edward's, a parent and a member of the College Board will be chaired by the Principal to review the work submitted and shortlist students who will then be invited to present their piece of work to the panel in an interview setting. Students will also be required to demonstrate that they have the qualities and attributes to be an appropriate representative of NSW on the tour.

At the interview stage, students will be asked to discuss their work and how it relates to the topic that has been set.

- The panel will assess:
- The quality of the student's submission and their presentation.
- Their capacity to undertake the tour.

- If they will be an appropriate representative of NSW in the tour setting.
- Their ability to communicate effectively on his or her return (upon their return from the tour students will be expected to share their experiences with their school and the community).

Any student who is interested in submitting an application for this wonderful opportunity is encouraged to visit the PAMS website on http://www.veterans.nsw.gov.au/ for further details. This information was emailed to the parents of students in Year 9 and 10 and HSIE teachers will provide further details in class throughout this week. Any questions regarding the Scholarship can be directed to Mrs Papeix, Mr Hannelly or Mr Bonnici.

SAFE HOLIDAYS

I would like to wish all students and their families a very safe and happy school holiday break. The two weeks hopefully provides boys with the opportunity to relax and recharge their batteries prior to the last term of the 2017 school year.

Mr Mark Bonnici (College Principal)

YEAR 12 GRADUATION

Please note graduation tickets are available to purchase from reception. Tickets are \$75 each. Year 12 students are asked to organise their tables into groups of 16 (which include parents and a partner or other family member) as soon as possible. Please also advise reception of any mobility issues or dietary requirements when purchasing your tickets. Any requests for additional tickets must be made in writing to Mr Bonnici.

Mr Mark Bonnici (College Principal)

WOMEN FOR WOMEN IN AFRICA

Funny things have been happening in the Library over the last two weeks. Boys, with downcast eyes, have been sneaking up to the Front Desk and handing over packets of women's underwear. Normally they comment, "My mum said to give you these!" Then they run out quickly – often before we can thank them.

Currently we have collected around 300 pairs of underwear for the most underprivileged women and children in Africa. So why are we collecting underwear for women and children?

When Mr Bonnici went to Kenya earlier this year, he was confronted and shocked by the level of poverty and hardship, and the challenge to provide just the basics. There was no food, limited water, no sanitation, make-shift homes, if any, and no means of employment. He was astounded by what a mother would do to feed her child, to clothe them and shelter them. It was a very confronting experience and formed the basis of doing something very simple, such as providing new underwear, to women so that they were protected and able to travel outside their homes. You can view the daily lives of the women and children of Kibera on this YouTube clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RzaxrKmX1Yk

If you'd like to donate underwear here's the brief:

All you have to do is buy a packet of women's or children's undies and send them to the Library staff in the Shanahan Learning Centre. They must be **new** and size wise for **children aged 8-14** or **ladies size 8-16**. Your undies will be delivered to Kenyan women and children in need in December with Mr Bonnici and students from St Edward's College.

CANTEEN

The canteen is looking for any new volunteers to help in the canteen. This year our volunteer numbers have halved and we are struggling to get the amount of food made to feed our hungry boys. We try to give the boys good healthy choices at a minimal cost. If we don't get more help this will mean we will have to look for alternative ideas and prices will increase. We may also have to look at cancelling lunch orders on Fridays. If you have a spare day over the next two terms we would appreciate your help.



You can contact the canteen through the College phone number – 4321 6400. Thank you in advance **Mrs Sue Devetak (Canteen Supervisor)**

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Mr Pat Dell's contact details are 4321 6439 or pdell@stedwards.nsw.edu.au

OUR COLLEGE VALUES

St Edward's as a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition, continues to stand in solidarity with

- Human rights for asylum seekers and other disadvantaged groups
- Reconciliation with Aboriginal people
- Positive relationships with Muslims in our community
- Inclusion of same gender families and transgender students
- Educating our boys about these issues and other important SJ issues, in the curriculum and Waterford.

The college values are counter-cultural to popular media views and some politicians' views, which seek to make profits or win votes and are based often on fear and ignorance.

The college message on Human Rights and other Justice issues is based upon and supported by:

- Edmund Rice Education Australia (Touchstones)
- Catholic Church
- Gospel values, teachings of Jesus
- United Nations humanitarian principles
- Edmund Rice Centre for Justice Sydney

Mr Pat Dell (Social Justice Coordinator)

SPORT

YR 9 & 10 TOUCH FOOTBALL

Last week the Year 9 & 10 Touch Football team travelled to the Sunshine Coast QLD to contest the National Youth Schools Championships. The team qualified via a semi-final placing at the NSW Championships.

After the two-day road trip and a warm-up game against Tasmania, the team was ready for some tough competition. The team played pool games on the Wednesday against Hunter Sports HS (drawing 9-9), Cavendish Road SHS (winning 7-6) and Narrabeen Sports HS (winning 5-4). The boys gained a lot of confidence from these results and started to believe they might give the competition a real go.

On the Thursday after a bye in the morning, they played their final pool game against Helensvale SHS (winning 4-2). The results meant they won their pool and played a Quarter Final against the 4th placed team from Pool B - Cleveland District SHS. The team had a real confidence about it and after a nervous start where Cleveland tried to unsettle the boys they continued to play up-tempo and ran away with the game winning 8-1.

Into Day 3 (Finals Day) and a nervous energy gripped the boys. We had come all this way to play local team Narara Valley HS who has been our archrival over the last two years. We started well with Josh Woutersz taking an intercept and running the length of the field to score the opening try. From there the score line went tit-for-tat with neither team able to break free. In a tense last couple of minutes, we scored to lead by one and Narara now had one final set on our line. Some slick play saw them score and tie the game. We now headed into a drop off situation and started extra time with 5 on 5. Both teams had chances to score but didn't and time ran out - now down to 4 on 4 players. Sandon Smith got Riley Stevenson into space and he made a great break with desperation defence from Narara just stopping him well into their half. The damage however had been done and Levi Kasun capitalised on the opportunity to push the ball to Riley who scored in the corner to win the game 7-6.

Although tired, the boys were very excited to make it to the final. The opportunity to run out of the stadium tunnel, sing the National Anthem and play in front of a Finals Day crowd had them ready to go. Again we were playing a team not far from us in Warners Bay HS. The game went very much like the previous games with not much in it. Warners Bay however were able to score on the stroke of half time to lead 5-3. As the boys had done in the previous game they fought back well to level the scores early in the second half before Warners Bay kicked again to extend their lead 8-6. The team was unable to rally and Warners Bay went on to win. Full credit to them - they just kept going and did not seem to tire.

Although disappointed with the final result, the team is now starting to realise the enormity of their achievement. A fantastic week and a great result for the boys - Second Best Team in Australia!!!

The team consisted of Sandon Smith (c), Riley Jones, Owen Flaherty, Fletcher Powell, Zac Healey, Kale Livesly, Riley Stevenson, Wiremu Tibbutt, Josh Woutersz, Levi Kasun and Marc Phillpott.

A big thank you to Mr Murray who assisted me on the trip with the bus-driving, question answering and feeding the hungry footballers.

NSWCCC ATHLETICS

The Combined Catholic Colleges' Athletics Competition was held at Sydney Olympic Athletics Centre on Friday 15th September. The College had fourteen athletes in the squad representing the Broken Bay Diocese. These athletes were selected from the previous Broken Bay Competition, where a first or second placing was required to progress through. These boys are competing at an elite level with some already qualifying for National Competition as part of the New South Wales Athletic Team.

The athletes attending were

Mitchell Graham 17 years boys 11th in 1500m, his last time for representing the College as he

completes Year 12. Mitchell has competed in every athletics meet since Year

7.

Luke Jacobs 16 boys 4th in 800m.

Brandon Naprawski 16 boys, competed in the 100m and gained 1st place.

Callum Sutton 16 boys, third in shot put and first in discus. Callum has also qualified for

National Competition.

Jacob Kennard 15 year boys placed 7th in Javelin.

Samuel Wilson, 15 year boys, competed in the Long Jump but wasn't competitive enough with

a jump of 5.40m, the winning jump being 6.31. He was also a member of the

relay team which placed 6th.

Cameron Steer 14 year boys, who has already qualified for Nationals, came second in the

100m, only five hundredths of a second behind 1st and second in the 200m. SEAN RAE ran a strong 800m and achieved a PB with a fifth place only a second behind fourth place. Sean is also trying to gain a qualifying time for

Nationals.

Daniel Peters 14 year boys, 19th in 100m and was a member of the relay team placing 6th.

Daniel also placed 7th in shot put.

Joel Evans 14 boys competed in the relay team which placed 6th. JOEL EVANS 14 boys

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Scott Gabriel 13 boys, 4th in 1500 running a 6 second PB in a hard fought race with the top

five runners breaking from the main pack after the first 300m and continued to fight it out for placings till the finish. Gabe is trying attain a qualifying time

for Nationals and should run a qualifying time soon.

Lachlan Shedden 12 year boys 7th in the 1500.

Aymn Hamilton 12 year boys competed in the 100m, 200m and gained 2nd place in the 80m

hurdles.

Michael Holmes 12 year boys ran a strong 800m to finish 2nd.

Thank you to all the athletes for a great day of competition and also to the parents who came and supported their sons in their endeavours in track and field.

Yours in Running,

Mr Tom Ristuccia

THIS WEEK IN SPORT

Week 10 Term 3

U14 Rugby Union Coast to Country Cup State Finals - Forster (Tues 19 September)

Mr J Carpenter (Sports Coordinator)

CALENDAR - TERM 4, 2017

Term 4			
Week 1A	Mon	9 Oct	First Day of Term 4

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY - 9 October 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Frances O'Sullivan	Kathleen Cullen	Rosanne Dominello	Joanne Frazer	Alison Dawkings
Karen Trenholme	Sheila McInnes	Sharon Palmer	Robyn Ryan	Colleen Smith
Jacqui Clayton	Angharad O'Malley	Jo-ann Edwards	Jackie Gallagher	Wayne Smith
Lorna Walters		Barbara Livingstone	Joanne Shaw	
		Marie Partier	Jenny Stevens-Hofer	
			Siobhan	
			Whitehead	

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB (SIP CENTRAL COAST)

Tuesday 3rd October, 2017, 7.30pm - 9.00pm The Grange Hotel Function Room Cnr: Renwick St & Pacific Hwy, WYOMING Bistro opens at 5-30pm.

Inquiries: 4328 2596 or 0498 588 261
Theme 2017: "My Spirituality: Influences Along the Way"

Speakers: Daniel Ang - On Thomas Merton's Spirituality: Director of the Office for

Evangelisation, Broken Bay Catholic Diocese, Daniel came to faith through writings of

Thomas Merton and Parish life.

David Patterson: Initially a real estate agent, David became a school teacher of religion and currently is the coordinator of "Catholic Life & Faith Formation" for Broken Bay Diocese.

SIP Central Coast is an Ecumenical & Interfaith Speakers Forum with Q's & A's.

The focus is on developing understanding & encouraging dialogue about Spirituality through people sharing their life's journey. We meet 1st Tuesday in the month from March to October and 2nd Tuesday in November.

Maryke Keulemans (SIP Committee Member)

21/13 Moore Street, West Gosford NSW 2250



Are you looking for a Summer Sport the whole family can play? Softball is played from October to March (with a break over Christmas) on a Saturday at Bateau Bay. There are family friendly comps for Mums, Dads & Kids. No experience required, just a willingness to have fun & give it a go!

Its not too late to register <u>or</u> come along to "Sports Fest" 23 & 24 September to see what its all about.

Interested?

Email decoyssoftball@yahoo.com.au

Phone: 0403 697 115 or 0405 001 927 or check us out on *Facebook*

COME & BECOME A WAMBERAL SURF LIFE SAVER

A surf lifesaver is a trained volunteer that patrols our beach on the weekends.

Becoming a surf life saver is satisfying, fun and rewarding. You can

- lead a fit and healthy lifestyle,
- become trained in aquatic safety skills,
- make new friends.
- compete in surf sports,
- give something back to your local community.

You may also help save someone's life one day!

The Surf Rescue Certificate is a stepping stone to the full Bronze Medallion that is generally the minimum standard required for full patrolling duties.



The Surf Rescue Certificate is for young people aged between 13 and 15 years.

Bronze Medallion course provides participants (15 years and up) with the skills and knowledge of patrolling and surf awareness in order to be able to participate in lifesaving operations.

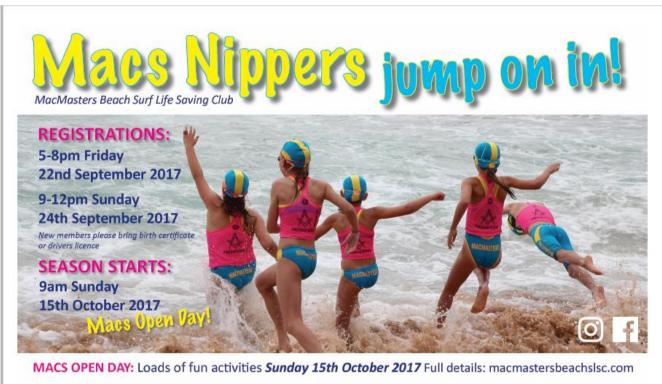
Our Life Savers volunteer 5-10 hours a month during summer patrolling the beach.

Our club has an inclusive social atmosphere and welcomes new members to join.

REGISTRATION DATES @WAMBERAL SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB Sunday 10th September 1:00pm - 4:00pm Friday 6th October 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Can't make those dates, please register online anytime at: join.sls.com.au or at the club office Monday & Tuesday 10:00am – 2:00pm, Fridays 3.30pm – 5.30pm. P: 02 4385 2322 E: admin@wamberalsurfclub.com W: wamberalsurfclub.com

Please bring birth certificate or passport for proof of age & ID



Under 6-7s focus on building confidence and water safety through fun activities on the sand and in the rock pool.

Under 8-12s focus on wading, surf swimming, board paddling, surf education, first aid and resuscitation.

13-14 years are welcome in our Rookie program - surf life saving skills, patrols and Duke of Edinburgh program.

MacMasters Beach Surf Life Saving Club - more than just a club! More info: macsmembership@gmail.com

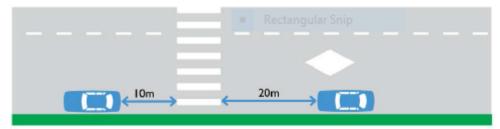
School Traffic and Parking Around Your Local Community



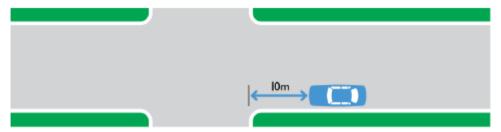
Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others. Please consider the residents when parking in streets surrounding your school.

You must not stop your vehicle (that is, bring it to a stop and either stay with the vehicle or leave it parked) in the following circumstances:

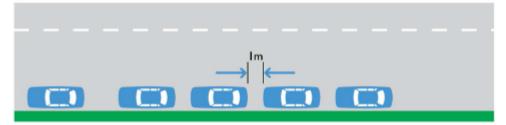
- Double parked (that is in the road alongside a car that is parked)
- Across a driveway or footpath
- On a median strip or traffic island
- On footpaths and nature strips
- On or within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing



- Within an intersection
- Within 10 metres of an intersecting road at an intersection without traffic lights unless signposted otherwise



- In Bus Stop, Bus Zone, Taxi Stand or Taxi Zone signed areas
- At least one (1) metre from any other parked vehicle, close as possible and parallel to the kerb, and facing the same direction as the traffic lane



- Within three (3) metres of any double centre lines
- Within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a bus stop

Adherence to signposting, linemarking and road rules around your school will assist in providing a safe environment for the school community and residents.

School Bus lights – buses use signs and orange flashing 'wigwag' lights to warn motorists and pedestrians that they are picking up or setting down school children. The lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors are opened. They keep flashing for about 30 seconds after the doors close and continue even after the bus moves off. You must not drive past the bus in the same direction at more than 40 km/h while the 'wigwag' lights are flashing as there may be children crossing or about to cross the road.



A School Zone is the area around a school with a speed limit of 40 km/h. Between the School Zone and End School Zone signs you must obey the school zone speed limit. The school zone speed limit only applies on gazetted school days and during the times shown on the sign.



A No Stopping Zone means no stopping at any time.



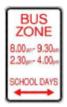
A No Parking Zone means that you must not stop for more than two (2) minutes. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle. - No Parking Zones are suitable for 'Kiss & Ride' – but you must abide by the rules.







A Bus Zone means that the area is restricted for bus use only. If hours of operation are shown, the restriction only applies to this time. You may use this area outside of these times.





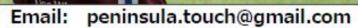
For more information regarding parking restriction around your school please contact Council's Road Safety Officers via email at: roadsafety@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au







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Dear Careers Advisor,

Could we please ask that the following information is shared with Year 112 students and parents?

HSC Subject-Specific Workshops - September/October Holidays

With the HSC exams around 30 days away, we am sure you are aware how vital these final exams are. With each exam worth 50% of your final mark, it's not too late to improve after your Trial results.

The most effective way of doing this is to sit for a day with Senior HSC Teacher/Markers at either UTS, Macquarie University, UOW and/or UON. This will give you a chance to enhance your knowledge, develop essential exam skills to confidently sit these final exams. No matter what your current level is, we will help you get a better mark!

Features of this program include:

- A chance to practice a range of possible HSC questions (and receive feedback on your work;
- Comprehensive student workbooks, include notes and answers/solutions to probable HSC questions;
- An opportunity to clarify any aspect of any one of our 19 subjects we
 offer

This program is fully endorsed and supported by UTS, Macquarie University, UOW and UON

Tens of thousands of students have benefitted immensely from participation in this program over the last seven years, including 312 students who achieved a mark of more than 97 in 2016. Places are filling fast, so we advise you to secure your spot ASAP.

To view the timetable and to register, just CLICK HERE

If you would like further information about any of these details, please don't hesitate to contact us on 1300 677 338 or email info@hscintheholidays.com.au

On behalf of everyone here at HSC in the Holidays, we wish you all the very best in this year's exams!

Kind regards, Shane Hardcastle (M.Ed, B.Ed)

2017 Program Director