

CAROLINE CHISHOLM COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 2 Issue 11 2015



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Friends, Staff and Students of Caroline Chisholm College,

At the beginning of this year I added an A to the school's mantra of "ALL students Always Actively involved in Authentic deep learning" – the additional A was for ALL teachers. I included it because everyone, and especially those involved closely with education, must see themselves as lifelong learners who are willing to reflect on their own practice and to use that reflection to improve or to learn a new skill.

On our recent Professional Learning days, staff were very busily involved at looking at ways to ensure that each student's learning needs in the classroom could be addressed. We revisited the topic of differentiation as an essential element in all programmes - not only mandated by BOSTES – but as good teaching practice. We also discussed the significant difference between differentiation and an Individual Plan for a student in significant need. We also looked at ways to reflect on and evaluate the effectiveness of programmes taught and how to incorporate student voice into that process of reflection. As teachers we need to reflect on what we have done so that we do not become complacent about our practice but are always trying to find ways to improve.

All students All Teachers All Actively engaged in Authentic Learning

The beginning of term three has begun with its usual flurry of activity associated with Year 12s preparing for the HSC trial examinations and the beginning of conversations about 2016 student leadership. Subject lines for Year 11 2016 have been developed by using student interest and very soon they will have interviews about their pattern of study for their HSC. Students have competed in our Public Speaking competition and very soon the finalists will present their talents to the school.

Last Friday we had our HSC Dance showcase where our Year 12 students present their final HSC performances before an audience of friends, family and supporters. Our small performance space was packed to capacity to show our support for the culmination of their work. These girls must complete three performance pieces as well as study the body of knowledge associated with Dance and then sit for a HSC examination in November. I believe that all who were present last Friday could see the ability and highly developed skills and creativity of each girl as she performed. There could be no mistake that Dance is a demanding subject at this level of study.

It seems as if the year has barely begun and we are already well and truly speaking about and planning for next year! No wonder we feel that time flies!

Please save this date: Parent Listening Forum for this term: 11th August at 1.30 and repeated at 6.00pm – all parents are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Robyn Wilson at rwillson2@parra.catholic.edu.au.

May God, who created order out of the chaos of nothingness, bless you and your loved ones in the coming weeks,

Mrs Mary Leask Principal



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Important reminder regarding changes to parking rules at front of school

This is a reminder of important information which was published in the last newsletter of last term and needs to be read by parents who drop their daughters off at the college.

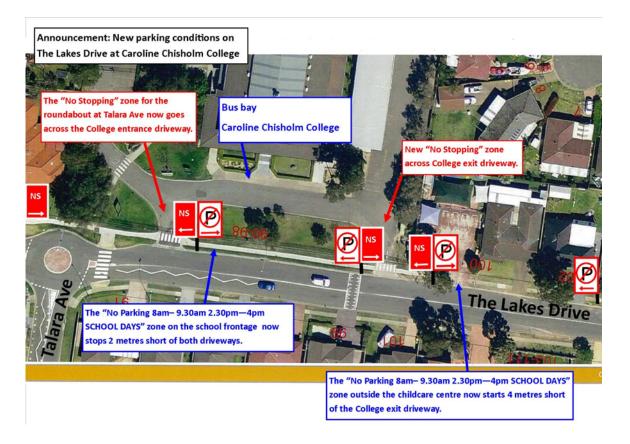
Penrith council has made some changes to the parking rules outside the college. They are mainly to improve the safety of buses entering and leaving the grounds and involve extending "No Stopping" zones. Please note that this signage was erected during the school holidays which means the new rules will apply from now.

The Road Safety Officer from Penrith Council has asked me to convey the follow points to the community:

New "No Stopping" zones at the College driveways on The Lakes Drive

- Bus access is very important in the College driveways on The Lakes Drive.
- "No Stopping" zones will now be installed across both the entrance and exit driveways.
- Both driveways must remain clear of vehicles at all times even momentarily. You can be booked if you stop and drop a student off, even if the process only takes seconds.
- This change was requested by Busways and has been approved by Council.
- The existing "No Parking" and "Drop off" zones are still in place, but no longer cover the driveways. They are also a few metres shorter than they used to be. For these reasons, parents are requested to always move as far as possible to the end of the drop off zone before allowing their daughters to leave the vehicle.
- Drivers are welcome to stop for <u>under 2 minutes</u> to pick up or drop off students, and drivers must <u>remain within 3 metres</u> of the vehicle.
- Thank you to all drivers for driving and parking legally and carefully near the College.
- It is fantastic that so many students travel by bus.
- Bus travel is safe, is efficient for travelling to busy locations, and saves pollution and petrol.
- Bus travel is a great way to include exercise in the daily travel routine, due to the walk from home to the bus stop.

The new parking restrictions are shown in the diagram below.





Years 9 and 10 Disco

Years 9 and 10 students are invited to the college disco held in conjunction with St Dominic's College on Tuesday, 28 July. The disco runs from 6.30 pm to 9.30 pm. I would like to emphasise a couple of points about attendance at this disco. All students need to be collected promptly at 9.30 from St Dominic's, not from Hungry Jack's. Please make sure students are properly dressed in accordance with the college non-uniform activity policy which can be found on the college website or they can check with their Year Leader.

Personal Fund-raising

At Caroline Chisholm College, we have a strong focus on social justice and raising the consciousness of students to those in less fortunate situations. However, there is a limit to the amount of fundraising we can reasonably ask the college community to participate in. As a college, we have decided on priorities, particularly raising money for Caritas projects during Lent and the six house charities scheduled at different times throughout the year. During the year we have many requests from organisations and students to raise money for other causes. While they are very worthwhile, we have a general policy of not allowing fundraising other than for those causes officially supported by the college. However, there is an exception to this policy which is practical in terms of demands on students, while supporting individual students' commitments to causes which are compatible with our ethos as a Catholic school.

Consequently, if students wish to undertake individual fundraising, they would need to apply in writing to Mrs Leask or myself, outlining the reason for the fundraising, the nature of the fundraising and the duration of the fundraising. This would only be for fundraising for a charitable cause, not interests, such as sporting teams or dance schools. In practice, I would expect personal fundraising to occur in the college for no more than one week. It would also be something undertaken by the individual students or their friends, for example, selling chocolates. We would not, for example, run a whole-school mufti day for an individual student's cause. We would also need to evaluate how many fundraising efforts were happening at a particular time.

Blazers

Generally, I have been pleased with the way students have been wearing their uniform at the start of this term. Students are reminded that it is still compulsory to wear the college blazer to and from school each day (other than sport uniform days) for the rest of this term or until otherwise advised.

"Doing the Right Thing Awards"

Students who help with clean up and litter are eligible for a "Doing the Right Thing Award". Congratulations to **Samantha Cheam** (7 MacKillop), **Olivia Hooker** (7 MacKillop), **Nadia Abram** (10 MacKillop) and **Jodie Hall** (10 Kenny who receive vouchers for the canteen for being the students drawn from the box. All students who put in award slips will have points credited to their house.

Appreciation of Honesty

Students at Caroline Chisholm College regularly display outstanding honesty in returning items they find on the college grounds. Often these can be of quite substantial value. Students handing in found items receive a certificate of appreciation. I would like to congratulate the following students who have handing items in over the last fortnight: **Elizabeth Azzopardi** (10 Wright) and **Ashlee Thompson** (12 Wright).

Mr Greg King - Assistant Principal

DIARY DATES								
Year 7 Items, Year 8 Items, Year 9 Items, Year 10 Items, Year 11 Items and Year 12 Items, Whole School Items								
Wednesday 22 July	Japanese Exchange Students arrive	Wednesday 29 July	HSC Trial Examinations					
	Year 7 Science Wildlife Exhibition Incursion	Thursday 30 July	Year 10 Drama Excursion					
Thursday 23 July	HSC Drama Showcase - 7.00pm		HSC Trial Examinations					
Friday 24 July	Year 12 Study Day		Year 11 Ancient History Excursion					
	Year II Christian Churches Excursion	Friday 31 July	HSC Trial Examinations					
	Years 7-10 Reflection Day	Monday 3 August	HSC Trial Examination					
Monday 27 July	HSC Trial Examinations	Tuesday 4 August	HSC Trial Examinations					
	PDSSSC Soccer Gala Day		Subject Selection for Year 11 (2016)					
Tuesday 28 July	HSC Trial Examinations	Wednesday 5 August	HSC Trial Examinations					
	Year 9 & 10 Disco 6.30 - 9.30 pm		Japanese Exchange Students leave					





FROM THE LEADER OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Literacy Years 8 and 10

This year all Year 8 and 10 students in Parramatta Catholic schools will participate in a Diocesan Assessment of their Religious Literacy during Term 3. All Year 8 and 10 students will complete a practice online assessment in Week 3 of Term 3 to ensure their log ons work and will complete an online assessment in Week 8.

The students will answer 40 multiple choice questions related to their learning in Religious Education. This Diocesan Assessment has been introduced as an initiative of the previous Bishop of the Diocese of Parramatta and the Parramatta Diocesan Schools Board. It will complement the ongoing school based

assessments prepared by teachers. Religious Education in Catholic schools has always aimed to develop children's capacity to express their growing understanding, appreciation, thoughts, questions and insights into God, Jesus, the Scriptures, the Church, the Sacraments, Prayer and life as a Christian. This is essential to their participation in the religious life of the school, the parish and for life in an increasingly multicultural society.

This new assessment will provide students and schools with a further indication of how effectively religious literacy skills are being developed. A report based on students' completion of these assessments will be forwarded to Year 8 and 10 parents during Term 4.

Winter Appeal

Thankyou to all families for their contribution of clothing to the recent St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

On their webpage, St Vincent de Paul state that on any night in Australia, 1 in 200 people are homeless. They go on to say "Housing is a human right, but on any given night in Australia more than 105,000 people are homeless. In recent years we have seen a rise in the number of people living in inappropriate housing. For example, members of the St Vincent de Paul Society have seen evidence of overcrowded dwellings among many of the families they visit. We are deeply saddened that a wealthy country like Australia still has such high levels of homelessness".

Your contribution of hats, gloves, tracksuit pants, tracksuit tops, scarves and socks will go a long way to assisting people to keep warm on these cold nights and days.

For further information on the issue of homelessness I include the St Vincent de Paul web address. https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Our_Impact/Housing_for_all/

World Youth Day

In 2016, students from across the world will be attending World Youth Day in Poland. We have been invited to send up to four students to participate in this experience, so over the past term students who are interested in attending have been invited to attend information meetings and submit an application form registering their keenness to experience this event. From the list of those who initially expressed interest student will be chosen to attend.

As part of College's commit to support this event students have been involved in a fundraising raffle to assist in meeting the cost for those attending World Youth Day. Students from Years 7-12 have been actively engaged in selling books of raffle tickets, earning service hours for their efforts.

The prizes for this Diocesan Raffle are:

1st Prize Toyota Yaris 5 Door Automatic

2nd Prize A COSMOS European 2016 Tour for two to the value of \$6000.

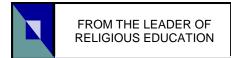
3rd Prize An Apple iPad Mini 4th Prize Cash prize of \$500 5th Prize Apple Watch

Tickets are available from the school. If you would like to purchase a book of tickets (10 tickets in a book, each ticket @ \$2), please have you daughter contact Ms Murray at the school.

Reflection Day 7-10

This Friday 24th July, students will be attending Reflection Days as part of their ongoing spiritual development here at the College. These days are important in providing opportunities for students to reflect on aspects of their lives, their community and their world. As such attendance is compulsory and will be recorded on their reports. The Reflection Days have been designed by Caroline Chisholm College staff to support the faith development that you are doing with your daughters. Please ask them about the day and allow them to share their experiences with you. Students have also been asked to organise picnic lunches with their friends and bring a picnic blanket.

For further information about the day refer to the letter sent by email to parents and carers last week.



Year 11 Excursion to Christian Churches.

This Friday 24th July, students will travel to ImagineNations Christian Church in Penrith. They will return to the college for lunch and in the afternoon will visit Padre Pio Parish at Glenmore Park. This excursion is connected to the outcomes covered in both Studies of Religion courses and the Catholic Studies course and is therefore compulsory. Students are required to wear their full school uniform including blazers. They are to bring a pen, paper and a clipboard (or something similar to write upon) and need to only use their Caroline Chisholm tote bags for the day. Students are also required to bring a picnic lunch and all refreshments for the day.

For further information about the day refer to the letter sent by email to parents and carer's last week.

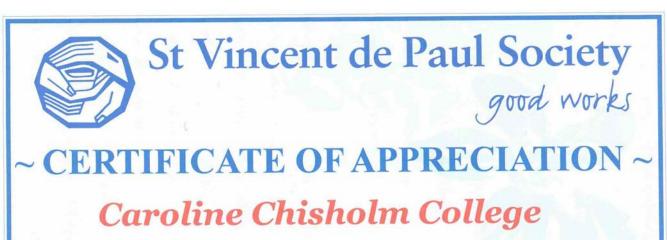
Notice regarding upcoming event

The local conference of the St Vincent de Paul will be holding their annual door knock appeal on 29th and 30th August. Students will be invited to assist in the door knocking and any parent who is able to assist by driving students to the collection areas are asked to contact Ms Murray by email on bmurray@parra.catholic.edu.au

Lunch Time Mass

This Wednesday 22nd July staff and students are invited to attend a lunchtime Mass in the school chapel. The special intention for this Mass is to pray for the Year 12 students undertaking Trial HSC examinations over the coming weeks.

Ms Bernadette Murray - Leader of Religious Education



For Your Generous Donations To Our Winter Appeal 2015

In support of the St Vincent de Paul Society, Glenmore Park Conference

The Society was founded in Paris in 1833 and established in Australia in 1854. It is active in 114 countries serving people of all races, nations and religious persuasions.

Its members bear witness to Christ by their personal service in relieving suffering and promoting human dignity.

Melissa Topp
President
Glenmore Park Conference
SVDP Society



FROM THE LEADER OF INNOVATION & LEARNING

Year 12 Trial HSC Exams

Our Year 12 students will commence their Trial HSC Examinations this coming Monday July 27th. It is important that all students use any free time in their timetable, and the scheduled study day this Friday to revise diligently and prepare to the best of their ability.

EXAM

A few reminders about exam procedures:

- All morning exams commence at 8.30am. All afternoon exams commence at 12.30pm. Students need to be at school **at least 20 minutes** before the listed starting time of all exams. Full school uniform is to be worn.
- If students are sick or some other serious misadventure occurs, they MUST call the school and inform Mr Gerlach of the absence. A doctor's certificate or other documentation proving misadventure will need to be brought in on the day they return. A Year 9-12 Assessment Appeal Form (which is located on the College website and on Moodle), must also be completed. Failure to submit this documentation on the day of return will result in a zero mark being awarded. Any exam that has been missed will need to be completed at the next available timeslot which will be arranged by Mr Gerlach.
- **No mobile phones or other technological devices** are permitted in the exam room. If students bring their phone they must secure it in their locker or at the front office.

We wish every student all the very best as they prepare and complete these important final school based assessments.



Subject Selection Interviews (Year 11, 2016)

All Year 10 students and their parents will be involved with the Subject Selection Interviews to discuss final subject choices for 2016 on **Tuesday 4**th **August**. An email containing information about the day and how to book an interview time will be sent out shortly. This will be an opportunity for you and your daughter to discuss their future pathway with an experienced member of staff so that the best possible subject choices are made. All students will receive the final subject lines at the end of next week so they can be best prepared for the interview.

Elective Study Choices (Year 9, 2016)

During the course of Week 4 this term, students in Year 8 will hear a number of presentations about subject elective choices for 2016.



An electronic copy of the Elective Subject Handbook has already been uploaded onto Moodle and I ask that parents and students consult this document together to help your daughter make informed final subject choices.

The final choices will be made electronically from the 7th **August**. Students will have ONE week to complete their choices with the selection form closing on the 14th **August**. Choices must be made during this week. An email will be sent containing the link to the form on the 7th August.

This is an exciting time for our Year 8 students as they start to make serious decisions about their path of study for Stage 5 of their education. We wish all our students well as they discern which pattern of study to undertake.

Formal Assessment Tasks - Term 3, Weeks 2-5

Year Group Term/Week Due	Term 3, Week 2	Term 3, Week 3	Term 3, Week 4	Term 3, Week 5
Year 7	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Year 8	Religious Education	PDHPE	NIL	Mathematics
Year 9	NIL	Commerce	Religious Education Commerce	Agriculture Textiles Technology
Year 10	NIL	Textiles Technology	NIL	Religious Education Mathematics Commerce PASS
Year 11	Modern History English Extension 1	Society and Culture	Mathematics General Mathematics 2 Unit English Studies	Biology Senior Science Business Studies CAFS Legal Studies
Year 12	Design & Technology Catholic Studies Drama – Part B	Trial HSC Exams Work Studies	Trial HSC Exams	Trial HSC Exams (MON) Visual Arts

Mr Stephen Casni - Leader of Innovation & Learning

100 YEARS OF WOMEN IN POLICING

On Thursday 9th July Penrith Police celebrated 100 years of Women in Policing with a baton relay from Penrith Weir to the Tench Reserve. This was the 50th leg of the baton relay in the state-wide celebrations. At Tench Reserve more than 50 police officers and community members congregated to the celebrations which included numerous police displays. Superintendant Karen Webb and State Liberal MP Stuart Ayres addressed the gathering at the reserve.



The relay included current serving and past police, community members and representatives from local schools. I would like to thank **Abbey Tricot** and **Alison Gallen** who took time out from their holidays to represent your school so proudly.

Kind regards

Senior Constable Tracey Gallen - Youth Liaison Officer





USEFUL APPS AND ONLINE PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS

Technology has proven to be a useful tool for young people to seek information and engage with services for assistance on issues that are personal for them. Technology provides them with a sense of discretion, confidentiality and sensitivity, which means that often this is one of the first places they will go to for help. However the abundance of information available online can be overwhelming, and it is not all constructive or accurate. I have provided lists of apps and online programs available in the past in the hope that parents and young people are able to use this to guide their access to relevant and reputable information. However, a number of exciting new apps and programs have become available in the last year so I wish to update the list of apps and programs that you can consult. Please make this

list available to your young people so that they are able to access the right information when they need it most.

Please keep in mind that these programs and apps are not designed to replace or substitute therapeutic interventions or treatments, so please consult with your GP if you have concerns about your young person's mental health.

If there's an app or program that you or your child have found helpful I would appreciate if you shared this with me via email at jaustin4@parra.catholic.edu.au

Smiling Mind FREE



Smiling Mind is a simple meditation tool that gives a sense of calm, clarity and contentment. Mindfulness has been found very effective for use in the treatment of stress, resilience, anxiety, depression and other physical and mental illnesses. https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/smiling-mind/id560442518?mt=8

HSC Stress Less FREE



The HSC Stress Less App has been designed for NSW HSC students to manage their stress and difficult emotions throughout this high pressure year via the use of Mindfulness Meditation. Mindfulness is the art of "intentional attention". That is simply being able to step back and observe, in a non-judgemental manner, our inner sensations and experiences.

https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/hsc-stress-less/id951509292?mt=8

ReachOut Worry Time FREE



Everyone has worries pop into their head from time to time, but sometimes they won't go away and start to impact everyday life. ReachOut WorryTime interrupts this repetitive thinking by setting aside worries until later, so you don't get caught up in them and can get on with your day. This means you can deal with worries once a day, rather than carrying them around with you 24/7.

https://itunes.apple.com/app/apple-store/id964311176?mt=8



Balanced FREE



Balanced is an app designed to motivate and support users to achieve positive and healthy tasks (such as being grateful or exercising more). Users can set their own tasks or chose from an extensive list and decide how often they would like to complete that activity. Driven by positive reinforcement, Balanced successfully encourages users to complete goals and adopt healthy habits into their lifestyle.

 $\underline{https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/balanced-goals-habits-motivation/id630868758?mt=8\&ign-mpt=uo\%3D4$

Recharge FREE



Recharge is a personalised six-week program that helps improve general health and wellbeing by focusing on four key areas to establish a good sleep/wake routine that includes regular exercise and early daylight exposure to help improve your mood, energy and general health and wellbeing as well improving sleep.

 $\underline{https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/recharge-move-well-sleep-well/id878026126?mt=8\&ign-mpt=uo\%3D4}$

Super Me FREE



SuperMe is a computer based interactive game for building resilience and life skills such as coping and positive thinking. It has games, videos, quizzes and short explanations (called cheat codes) to help young people avoid the pitfalls in life and achieve their goals. http://www.playsuperme.com/

Bite Back FREE



BITE BACK is an online interactive positive psychology website for young people developed by the Black Dog Institute. Featuring easy to access language and layout, BITE BACK provides information on mental wellbeing through a variety of mediums, mood tracking tools and guided relaxation/mindfulness activities.

http://www.biteback.org.au/

Mrs Jessica Austin - School Counsellor



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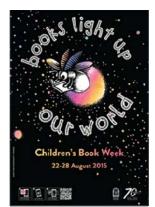


UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Term 3, 2015 General Meeting - Mon 3 Aug 2015 (Please note Change of Date): Unpacking NAPLAN and a case study for improvement</u> Diocesan Assembly Centre, Cnr Flushcombe Road and Marion Street, Blacktown

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

"To learn to read is to light a fire; every syllable that is spelled out is a spark." — Victor Hugo, Les Miserables



This year is the 70th Anniversary of Children's Book Week. I'm sure many of you have memories of book character parades, either being in them or making costumes at last minute. These moments, just as the books that inspired those costumes, stay with us and change us as people. The theme this year is 'Books Light Up Our World'. The task falls to us as adults to encourage our children to read for leisure so they can continue to learn and be changed by things beyond their experience. I'm looking forward to Literature Dress Up Day at the end of August where our students and staff embrace and celebrate literature as a school.

The latest Book Club catalogues are available in the Library to browse. This is a great way to purchase current books at a good price for gifts or your own Library. Any orders received help us to purchase more resources for our school Library. Orders close on Thursday 30th July.



Thank you to all the families that have helped with the return of overdue books. Unfortunately we have had a rise in the number of damaged and wet books being returned. Please let us know if something has happened to a book while it was in your care. If a book can no longer be used by others due to damage or mould, you may be



charged for a replacement. Please consider this when you are carrying water bottles near any book.



There is only a month to go until the 2015 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge and the CCC Senior Reading Challenges are complete. With nearly 100 girls showing interest in these reading opportunities at the start of the year and only 18 finished so far, I am anticipating lots of reading over the next 4 weeks. Congratulations to the following girls who have completed the Senior Reading Challenge at the end of last term: Courtney Brettle, Reena Mukherjee, Manreet Gill, Emma Finlay, Samantha Mamo, Katelyn Warburton, Tia Madden and Tatum McKee. Also a special mention to the students who are over halfway in the PRC: Naveena Stephen, Lily Marmont and Shakunthala Subramanian.

I will leave the last comment to **Courtney Brettle** who wrote this reflection after completing the Senior Reading Challenge.

I would like to say that this is a great opportunity for seniors. It is engaging and fun since it gives seniors a way to finally include our own choice of reading material in our school work.

In addition, the senior reading challenge gives us a chance to rediscover books. Before high school, I use to read all the time as a hobby. When I started high school I was shocked at the workload and over the years have found that I lost touch with my reading for multiple reasons including homework and study. I found that reading one book would take me too long and by the time I picked a book up again after finishing my school work, I would have forgotten the storyline or have work or chores. The reading challenge is great because it combines reading for fun (rather than struggling through analytical texts chosen for you) and school.

Happy reading!

Mrs Teresa O'Keeffe - Teacher Librarian

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CAROLINE CHISHOLM COLLEGE

Congratulations!

FAMILY FAVOURITE MARY POPPINS

Imogen Van-Stolk (Year 7) is preparing to hit the stage in July/August for this fun filled family favourite MARY POPPINS starring Penny McNamee, Shaun Rennie, Sam Moran and Kate Maree Hoolihan at Riverside Theatre, Parramatta by Packemin Productions. Imogen has previously performed in stage productions of *Annie* and *Joseph & the Amazing Technicolour Dream Coat*. In Mary Poppins Imogen is most excited about the variety of dance styles, costumes and tricks she will have the opportunity to perform live in each show alongside industry professionals. The sets, costuming, choreography and performances are simply amazing!



UNIFORM SHOP

Please note the Uniform Shop will be closed on Tuesday 28 July 2015

GOSPEL CONCERT "SPIRIT OF JOY"

DATE/TIME:

Saturday, 5th September 2015, 3pm to 5.30pm

LOCATION:

Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre 230 Fairlight Road Mulgoa NSW 2745

WHAT TO BRING:

- Fold up chairs
- Picnic blanket
- Torch
- Picnic dinner-food also available to purchase.
- Mozzie spray-just in case

ABOUT:

To bring people of all religious traditions together to feel the joy of God, through spiritually uplifting/upbeat music & song. Come share the joy!

Enquiries: manager@schoenstatt.org.au Ph: 47738338

TICKETS: Purchase at trybooking.com-link:

http://www.trybooking.com/144537

\$12 for adults

\$8 for school age children

\$35 for family of 2 adults-up to 4 school age children

Children under 5 - free

This is an outdoor event, please be prepared for changes in weather conditions.

PROCEEDS: Repairs & Maintenance of the Home of Light, a retreat style accommodation facility used by schools, youth groups, community and religious groups.

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Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality
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230 Fairlight Road
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Mount Schoenstatt, with the Shrine as its spiritual center, is a place of pilgrimage where love for Christ and his mother, Mary, are deeply rooted.

Schoenstatt means 'beautiful place' and it is here that people from all walks of life find moments of peace and tranquility on their journey. They are refreshed and renewed and find the possibility to deepen their commitment to Christ.

The shrine is one of more than 200 exact replicas of the original in Germany, where the founder, Fr. Joseph Kentenich and a small group of students entered into a Covenant of Love with Mary.

'Nothing without you, nothing without us' is a simple expression of the covenant. This was the beginning and the lasting foundation of today's world-wide Schoenstatt movement.

Find out more about the Schoenstatt movement: www.schoenstatt.org.au/movement



Are you looking for somewhere special to hold your next retreat, conference, meeting or somewhere to stay whilst attending nearby facilities?

After driving for little more than an hour west from Sydney you and your group will arrive at our rural property at Mulgoa, which has available the following facilities:

The Home of Light, which is located in a picturesque valley, offers self-catered, bunk style accommodation for up to 33 people, with a large dining areas suitable as a conference facility. The Home of Light shares the valley with the resident kangaroos who will be happily relaxing nearby.



Joseph Kentenich House provides catered accommodation for up to 42 people. With a total of 18 rooms, most are configured with 2 beds and private ensuite. We have two sets of rooms, sharing bathroom facilities that sleep up to six and are perfect for a family getaway.



Joseph Kentenich House - Accommodation Rooms

Our dining room pictured below, boasts rural valley views, a most tranquil room to enjoy a retreat meal. Whether catering for a couple, small group or larger group our staff will endeavor to look after you during your stay with us.



View from the Dining Room in Joseph Kentenich House
Joseph Kentenich House comprises a number of breakout
rooms for groups on retreat and facilities that can seat from
8 to 100 people.

Conference Facilities: The Conference Hall and Sunroom, located in the Joseph Kentenich House are perfect for large group meetings. The Hall, with views across the district, seats 80-100 people in theatre style and opens into a chapel. The sunroom and adjacent kitchen is ideal for refreshment breaks but can also seat up to 35 people for small group activities. The extensive grounds also provide many opportunities for small groups to meet informally.



View from the Conference Hall in JKH

If you are looking for a larger venue, the Family Hall pictured below, will be ideal for you. This modern facility seats 130-150 theatre style and has an adjacent kitchenette, verandahs on three sides and rural views.

Both the Conference Hall and the Family Hall have up to date audio visual equipment.



Family Hall

Local Sights:

Mount Schoenstatt is a short car trip from the World Heritage listed Blue Mountains, the Nepean River, Warragamba Dam, the source of Sydney's water supply and the historic village of Mulgoa, one of the earliest settlements in Australia.



The Rock Lookout, at the end of Fairlight Road

It is also an ideal accommodation venue for groups competing at and visiting the Sydney International Regatta Centre and Penrith Whitewater.

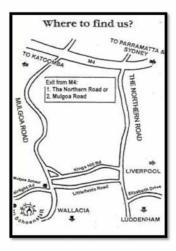


Sydney International Regatta Centre & Penrith Whitewater
There are also many local cafes, golf courses, clubs and horse riding schools and opportunities for bushwalking.

Directions:

By Car: Exit M4 Mulgoa Rd, turn right into Fairlight Rd By Train & Bus: Alight Penrith Station, board route 795 bus, alight at Mulgoa Shops and contact us. We will gladly pick you up.

By Plane: From the Airport, board train to Penrith and follow as above.



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