O God, source of all goodness, who have shown us in Saint Mary
a woman of faith living by the power of the Cross, teach us, we pray,
by her example to live the Gospel in changing times and to respect
and defend the human dignity of all in our land. Through our Lord.

Amen

2013 WORLD YOUTH DAY
Last week millions of young Catholic people gathered in Rio to celebrate World Youth Day. For the young pilgrims, it was an eye-opening, faith-enriching and life-changing experience they will never forget.
Pope Francis celebrated with the young people on the famous Copacabana Beach. The pilgrims gathered for the welcome liturgy, the Stations of the Cross and the Prayer Vigil, in which the centrepiece was the celebration of the Eucharist.
In his address, Pope Francis focused on the image of the “Field of Faith”, saying that we are God’s field of faith.
He went on to speak of a field as a place to sow seed, a place of training and a construction site.
A place to sow seed: “It is your life that Jesus wants to enter with his word, with his presence.”
A place of training: “I think that most of you love sport. What do players do when they join a team? They have to train and train a lot. Jesus offers us something bigger than the World Cup!”
A construction site: “In the Church of Jesus, we ourselves are the living stones. Jesus is asking us to build his Church, but not as a little chapel which only holds a small group of persons. He asks us to make his living Church so large that it can hold all of humanity, that it can be a home for everyone.”
How might we respond to God’s calling in our lives and share the energy and fruits of the young pilgrims at the World Youth Day?

P&F BOOT SCOOTIN’ BONANZA – SATURDAY 17TH AUGUST
This function is really starting to gain momentum as the P&F prepares for its social highlight of the year!
Have you bought tickets yet?

FREE DRESS DAY
A reminder that this Friday 9th August 2013 students from both campuses are invited to bring along a shopping bag full of toys, clothes and/or books or give a gold coin donation and wear Free Dress.
Students are to bring shopping bags to their classrooms and an SRC Representative from each Campus with arrange collection and items will be placed in storage ready for the Fair. This will kick start our collection for the Fair and help families reduce unwanted items. Collection dates and times will commence next week, details will be provided later this week.
CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK will be celebrated next week, starting on Monday 12th August. Mr Gerard Cronly and Mrs Leanne Prichard will issue information to you about the activities that will be undertaken at SACC.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:
- Mr Ben Fasnacht, who will be receiving a Tasmanian Catholic Education Commission 25 Years of Service Award at a ceremony on Thursday 15th August.
- Also at the same ceremony, Ms Bernadette Brooks will be receiving a TCEC Outstanding Service as an Employee in Catholic Education Award.
- Ms Marla Leitch, Mrs Di Van Tienan and the students for the inspiring Musical Extravaganza last Thursday. The musical afternoon showcased the impressive talents of students in Grades 1 – 6 and proved to be another fantastic ONE COLLEGE TWO CAMPUSES event.

COLLEGE/PARISH MASS
Our next College/Parish Mass will be celebrated this coming SUNDAY 11TH AUGUST at 10.00am in Christ the Priest Church. Families are especially invited to attend.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH STUDENTS SNOW CAMP
Tomorrow and Friday, a group of Duke students at the Huntingfield Campus will be going on a snow camp to Ben Lomond. Mrs James Hickey and Mr Nick Bakker will be accompanying the students. We wish them well: Tamsyn Ayres, Tessa Brinsmead, Tom Cornish, Josh Hoyle, Jakob Lister, Alex Mazur, Guy Nielsen, Alistair Thompson, Gio Bayabos, William Coad, Oliver Ditcham, Alice Kelly, Asha Lyons, Kate Newton and Liam Norris.

GRAFFITI INCIDENT
As most parents are aware, we had an incident where graffiti was painted on some of the Kingston Campus walls, the College bus and the Church. With thanks to the prompt actions of Les Gardner, our Business Manager, and our Utility Officers, Cesar Villanueva and Scott Robertson, arrangements were made to have a commercial cleaning company remove the graffiti. Disappointingly, some sections of the media reported the graffiti as significant vandalism at the campus and pursued it as a major news item, which it wasn’t. All is well now after a very interesting day last week!

CONDOLENCES
We extend our condolences to Les and Sarah Gardner and their children, whose mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, Joan Gardner, passed away on Sunday. Please keep the family in your prayers.

From the Religious Education Co-ordinator ... ... ... Mr Gerard Cronly

This week we focus on self-control as a quality for children to develop. As parents, we all want our children to feel, think and act with respect for themselves and for other people.

Self-control is the ability to resist inappropriate behaviour in order to act responsibly. It involves persistence and sticking to long term commitments, developing patience and dealing effectively with emotions such as anger.

Children who are taught standards will find it is actually freeing, because it makes their lives better and improves society.

“God, accept our thanks for the people you have put into our lives and who have helped to shape what we have become and what we are becoming. Amen.”

From the Huntingfield Campus Director ... ... ... Mr Joe Sandric

MATHS RELAY
Congratulations to the Grade 5 and 6 students who participated in the Maths Relay competition at Rosny College on Sunday. They did a fabulous job and were a credit to our College. It was such a wonderful feeling to be there and hear St. Aloysius being announced as the winners of the primary heat!
DUKE CAMP
Tomorrow we farewell some of our Duke students who will head off to Ben Lomond for their snow camp. They will be accompanied by Mr James Hickey and Mr. Nick Bakker. We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing all about their adventures on their return.

GRADE 9/10 SUBJECT SELECTION FOR 2014 - UPDATE
A reminder that our Course Counselling session is on this afternoon. Students will then receive their option selection sheet to make their first choices for their options for next year.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS SAUSAGE SIZZLE
A reminder that the next sausage sizzle for the Huntingfield Campus is next Wednesday 14th August.

PARENT/TEACHER CONSULTATIONS
Thank you to those parents who attended the Parent/Teacher consultations last week. We are continually looking for ways to make such events as easy as possible for parents. We would welcome any feedback from parents around the use of the gym for the interviews. Please send your feedback via email to samantha.wilton@catholic.tas.edu.au

DON’T FORGET FREE DRESS THIS FRIDAY
DETAILS IN MRS DORAN’S SECTION OF THE NEWSLETTER

Leanne Prichard, for Joe Sandric

From the Kingston Campus Director … … … Mr Brendan Gill

MUSIC EXTRAVAGANZA PART ONE
Thank you to Ms Leitch for the wonderful Music Extravaganza last Thursday afternoon. The learning and talents of our whole College was on show. It was a wonderful One College on Two Campuses event. Our assembly timetable for the rest of term:

Monday, August 12: 2.10pm – Hosted by 1B
Monday, August 26: 2.10pm – Hosted by 1FC
Tuesday, September 10: 2.10pm – Hosted by 1K
Friday, September 27: 11.30am – Hosted by Prep WH (Footy Colours Assembly)

All families and friends of the College are welcome to attend Kingston Campus assemblies.
BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS
A note went home yesterday pertaining to Book Week celebrations for the Kingston Campus. Key information:

**Book Fair:** Thursday 22nd & Friday 23rd August from 8am until 4pm

**Book Week Parade:** Friday 23rd August

Families are invited to join up and students can dress up as their favourite book character or follow the Book Fair Theme: Read Across the Universe.

REPORTING FEEDBACK
On Monday a letter went home pertaining to an opportunity for parents to provide feedback about our new report format. St Aloysius Kingston Campus, along with most other Catholic schools in Tasmania, recently trialled a new system and format for mid-year reports. As with anything new, there is a need to seek feedback about areas of strength and potential areas for growth. As part of this process, the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office and the leadership team at St Aloysius are seeking feedback about the new reporting format. Please fill in the sheet that was sent home and return it to the Campus office if you would like to contribute your personal experiences and comments.

NEW SIGN TO BLOCK ACCESS
Please be aware that the College has purchased a sign to deter people driving in the staff car park during ‘risky’ times - those times when students are arriving or leaving the College. The sign will be placed at the entry to the staff car park, thus blocking access during the following times:

- 8.25am - 8.45am
- 2.40pm - 3.10pm

Please be aware that you will not be able to enter the car park during these times. Those parents who access our disabled parking spots are welcome to continue to do so via the Aldinga St entry. I am sure you will agree that the safety of our students must come first. Of course, as this is new, feedback is welcome as we seek to protect students and limit inconvenience.

EARLY NUMERACY INTERVIEWS
Over the coming weeks, all students will be assessed using the Early Numeracy Interview, focusing on multiplication, division, addition and subtraction. You may remember that at the beginning of the year teachers focused on counting and place value. This is an excellent process that has proved very worthwhile for the College. The interview was developed as part of the Early Numeracy Research Project (1999-2001). The interview consists of appropriate hands-on assessment tasks where students demonstrate mathematical understanding and preferred strategies for solving increasingly complex tasks. The interview is conducted one-on-one with your child’s classroom teacher. It provides a valuable insight into the development of your child in Maths and will allow the class teacher to plan effectively to meet their needs.

DON’T FORGET FREE DRESS THIS FIRDAY
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CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK
Next week is Catholic Education Week and this year’s theme is “A Time For Giving Thanks”. As in previous years, our celebrations begin with our College/Parish Mass on Sunday morning at 10.00am, where we will give thanks for the many blessings we have received as a College and Parish community. We will be having a morning tea after the Mass so please bring a plate to share.

VINNIES JUSTICE DAY 2013
Another important part of Catholic Education Week is our annual Vinnies Justice Day. This year’s theme is: “Who Will Speak if We Don’t? : Being a Voice for the Voiceless in our World”, and our Vinnies and Mini-Vinnies students have been busy preparing a variety of workshops and activities for students centred on this theme. Some of the highlights of the day include the opening prayer and assembly, workshops on Caritas and using social media for good and talks by some asylum seekers and refugees. Loui’s Van will also be selling milos for a gold coin donation at the Huntingfield Campus at recess, and at the Kingston Campus at lunchtime.

(Please see attached sheet for a complete outline of the day)
FEAST OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP
Tomorrow, Thursday is the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first saint. Mary was born in 1842 in (Fitzroy) Melbourne (Australia). On 8 August 1909 she died, having suffered a disabling stroke in 1902.

Mary MacKillop was very conscious of the plight of the poor and needy. She worked with families who lived in isolated areas of Australia. As a result, Mary MacKillop pioneered a new form of religious life in Australia and commenced a “system” of “Josephite” schools that would provide education, especially for the children of the poor. In 1873, Pope Pius IX gave Papal approval for the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph. Even today, many Australians can say that they too have felt the impact of the enormous work started by St. Mary of the Cross (MacKillop), having been educated or cared for, by the Sisters of Saint Joseph. She was noted for her trust in the providence of God and miracles of healing have been attributed to her. She was declared a Saint by Pope Benedict XVI on the 17th October 2010.

TWO NEW CROSSES
We have a received a couple more crosses to add to our growing collections on both campuses.

Thanks to Ms Georgie Fleming who has brought back a lovely glass cross from the Greek Island Santorini. This will be added to the Kingston Campus collection.

Thanks also to Mrs Janey Donovan, and the Donovan family for their Celtic St. Patrick Cross from Dublin. You will be able to see it in the Huntingfield Campus Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2013
A reminder to all families that candidates will be presented with a copy of the Lord’s Prayer at our College/Parish Mass on Sunday 10.00am, and that the small group Masses are on next Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th at 7.00pm. First Eucharist celebrations will occur on the weekend of 24th and 25th August.

CONFIRMATION PHOTOS
Apologies for the problem with the group photos. New ones will be sent home this week.

LOUI’S VAN BISCUIT DRIVE
Thanks to parents and families from Kinder M who baked treats on the last week of term for Loui’s Van. This week families from Kinder J are encouraged to bring in some homemade goodies.

HUNTINGFIELD MASSES
Thanks to Mr Cronly and the students from Grade 7BM who prepared our Huntingfield Mass last week. This week Mrs Donna Duggan and Grade 6DD who have prepared tomorrow’s Mass for the Feast of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Parents are most welcome to join us tomorrow at 10.25am in the Chapel.

Weekend Parish Masses: Saturdays 6.00pm - Kingston
Sundays 8.30am - Snug
10.00am - Kingston (Children’s Liturgy is offered at this Mass)

Weekday Parish Masses: Mondays 9.00am - Kingston
Wednesdays 9.00am - Kingston
Thursdays 10.20am - Huntingfield
Fridays 5.30pm - St Aloysius Church