



THE GAMES

I am a sceptic. Last year my wife was very keen to enter the lottery to go in the draw to get tickets to the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast. I relented. I remember being sceptical enough not to get tickets to the Sydney 2000 Olympics and then regretting it once the games began and the hype increased.

Anyway, we got tickets to the Netball, the Athletics and the Rugby 7's. Watched the opening ceremony on TV, watched a bit of beach volleyball on TV, a bit of swimming and started to get hyped.

Then we went to the netball. It was awesome. The movement of people to and from venues, the volunteers and the positivity, the venues, the hype, the actual competition and sporting excellence, the vibe, the whole shebang completely overwhelmed my scepticism and we loved it. I grabbed an extra ticket to go to the hockey as well with Mr Needham (a hockey tragic) and loved that too. Every occasion we had to be there we had the same experience, a truly world class competition and an internationally envious organization of the whole games.

And then came the closing ceremony. Wasn't that something? We stayed up all night and watched that on telly. Like many Australians, we wondered about some of the song choices and the artists. We certainly wondered where the athletes were and suspected that the broadcasters were holding them until last to keep us glued to our telly as long as possible. But they never came. Sadly.



And then they cut to Johanna Griggs and Basil Sempilas. That was a moon landing moment I reckon. Those who saw it live will remember it for the rest of their lives. It was quite shocking and unexpected and certainly added to the hype about the whole show. I think it made the gap between the real and the ideal seem larger than it actually was.

I feel a bit sad about all of that negativity though. I think one of the really good decisions that was made by the organisers was to include school kids and volunteers in both the opening and closing ceremonies. Our College had a number of students participating in both, and ex-students as well. They trained so hard, spent so many long nights for months in preparation, contributed selflessly to the event in service of something greater than themselves, and they shone. The images we saw on TV of the life guards, the dancers, the kids with the glowing cubes, choirs, all of them were terrific. Their enthusiasm and dedication was so obvious to see and should be applauded and praised. The very spirit of the games that we all saw so openly each day through the service of the volunteers at events, for my money, was beautifully echoed in the participation of those kids from across Queensland and they deserve to be equally honoured and cherished as such.

I think we need to be really careful when we criticise. There is honour in heartfelt voluntary endeavour. Some of the decisions that were made about that ceremony are right to be questioned, but overwhelmingly we should give thanks for that which is done on our behalf, without our request, in service of our greater good.

Particularly given we have just emerged from the Easter break.

*Shane Altmann
Principal*

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SECONDARY SCHOOL

WELCOME BACK!! - I reflected with the students this week that schools are eerily quiet spaces in the holidays. Yes it is great for our teachers, admin and grounds staff to have that peace and quiet to get stuff done but you can tell something is missing. As our students returned today it is evident that this is the energy and vibrancy our students bring to the College. They are the centre of what we do at Faith and when they are absent it doesn't quite feel the same. It felt amazing to have them back on campus. My message to them was to take all of the opportunities afforded to them at Faith and work with their teachers and parents to do their best at all times.

**WELCOME
BACK!**

The list of dates provided below is a snapshot of some of the major events and activities happening in the Secondary School. The list isn't exhaustive. I therefore encourage parents and students to check the calendar through Parent Lounge and Student Café, the College App and our College Facebook page for additional events and activities throughout the Term.

TERM 2 DATES

April

Tuesday, 24 – Secondary School Anzac Service (11:00am-11:45am) in the M-block Courtyard.

Visitors are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, 25 – ANZAC Day Public Holiday.

May

Tuesday, 1 – Parent Student Teacher Conferences (3:30pm - 8:00pm) in classrooms at the top of M-Block. Bookings will be available from 23 April via Parent Lounge.

Monday, 7 – Labour Day Public Holiday.

Tuesday, 8 – Year 9 STEM workshops at QUT.

Tuesday, 15 to Thursday, 17 – NAPLAN testing for students in Year 7 and 9.

Saturday, 26 – Funfest.

June

Wednesday, 6 – Secondary School photo day.

Monday, 11 to Friday, 15 – Year 11 and 12 Exam Block.

Monday, 18 to Tuesday, 19 – QCS practice for OP eligible students in Year 12.

Monday, 18 – Year 10 Careers Conference Day.

Wednesday, 20 – Secondary School Athletics Carnival.

* Please note that more detailed information will be provided to parents and students for several of these events.

COMMUNICATION

Secondary School Email - To streamline bulk email communications and help support parents in terms of more efficient communication the Secondary School will be using a generic email address from early in Term Two. You will still receive emails that relate specifically to your child directly from teachers; however, all bulk emails will be sent from a single email account managed by the Secretary to the Head of Secondary. The email address for this account is faithsecondaryadmin@fcr.qld.edu.au. We hope that this will provide an easy go to address when parents are looking for important information they have received.

Finally, thank you to our families for organising formal uniform for the start of Term 2. Our students looked amazing as they entered the College today. Reminder, that the College blazer is not compulsory until the College confirms by email to families.

I look forward to informing you of all the great things happening and all the amazing achievements of our students at Faith this term.

Stuart Needham
Head of Secondary School

JUNIOR SCHOOL

WELCOME – Term 2 is upon us. It always proves to be a busy one and is filled with opportunities for our community to celebrate the great place that Faith is. We hope that your family had time to enjoy together over the recent holiday period and shared lots of fun times.

We welcome Reina (4N) and Nathaniel (3G) Zordan and their family to Faith this term. We look forward to getting to know you and welcome you to Faith!

ANZAC DAY – Next Tuesday, 24 April the Junior School ANZAC Ceremony will be held in the SPAH at 9:15am. All parents and Faith community members are welcome to join us. A reminder that Wednesday, 25 April is the annual ANZAC Day Public Holiday.

AWARENESS DAY – Next Thursday, 26 April is our Junior School Awareness Day. This day is led by Education Officers from Australian Lutheran World Service and provides our students with an opportunity to learn about the plight of others less fortunate than ourselves. This year the theme of the day is, 'Survive or Thrive - Asia'. On Awareness Day, students will explore what challenges and problems are ... and then complete a series of challenges throughout the day. They will either survive or thrive ... to be the ultimate survivor!

One of the challenges we ask children to consider on this day is to eat meals similar to a child in a country we are learning about for that day. This year the students will be offered a Cambodian dish called Kuay Namuan (Bananas cooked in coconut milk) for Morning Tea and a small scoop of rice with beans for lunch. Children are welcome to bring their own morning tea and lunch to school on the day but we invite you to talk to your child about taking part in the food challenge to gain a glimpse into the life of a child in a country such as Cambodia.

SPEECH AND DRAMA – There are currently two vacancies for our Year 3-6 Speech and Drama group held on a Friday lunchtime. Forms are available in the office or enrol online at <http://tkspeechanddrama.com.au>

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS – A last minute call out for any vouchers? Please send them to the Junior School Office this week if possible. Thank you to all of our families who have collected so many vouchers for us!

CONGRATULATIONS – Our College had a number of students, graduate students and staff involved in the Commonwealth Games. A special mention to our Junior School staff, Mrs Jacqui Castorina and Mrs Susanne Cook for their roles as 'Games Shapers' Volunteers and to Mrs Forbes for her roles in the Opening and Closing ceremonies. Wonderful ladies giving their time on a volunteer basis, thank you!



*Eloise Beveridge
Head of Junior School*



*Greg Tagney
Deputy Head of Junior School*



OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Welcome to Term 2! Vacation Care was awesome! If you missed out, you really missed out. Mr Simon was lucky enough to have the first week off while Miss Kaitlyn and the team facilitated a wonderful program for the children. Even with the Commonwealth Games on, we managed to get out on some excursions, as well as hosting some great incursions.

Don't forget the convenient options we have for booking and changing bookings. Download our App to take advantage of these options, search 'Faith OSHC' through your App platform.

COLLEGE DATE CLAIMERS

NEXT 2 WEEKS...

Wednesday, 18 April
Thursday, 19 April

Friday, 20 April
Tuesday, 24 April
Wednesday, 25 April
Thursday, 26 April
Friday, 27 April
Saturday, 28 April
Tuesday, 1 May
Wednesday, 2 May

Year 10 - 12 Legal Studies Excursion
Year 11 Incursion
Year 2 - RAW Art
Junior School - Kops in Kilts Performance
Junior & Secondary School ANZAC Day Services
PUBLIC HOLIDAY - ANZAC Day
Junior School - ALWS Awareness Day
Bayside District Cross Country Carnival
GBC Sport - Round 1 Training Session
Secondary School Parent Student Conferences - 3:30pm - 8:00pm
'Take a Peek at Prep'/Principal's Tour

UPCOMING...

Thursday, 3 May
Friday, 4 May
Saturday, 5 May
Monday, 7 May
Tuesday, 8 May

Thursday, 10 May
Saturday, 12 May
Tuesday, 15 May
Wednesday, 16 May
Thursday, 17 May
Saturday, 19 May
Wednesday, 23 May
Friday, 25 May
Saturday, 26 May

Tuesday, 29 May
Wednesday, 30 May
Thursday, 31 May
Saturday, 2 June
Wednesday, 6 June
Thursday, 7 June
Saturday, 9 June
Monday, 11 June
Monday, 11 to Friday, 15 June
Wednesday, 13 June

Thursday, 14 June

Saturday, 16 June
Monday, 18 June

PIECE Parent Workshop
Year 11 - 12 Legal Studies Excursion
GBS Sport - Round 2 FLCR v TSAC
PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Labour Day
Junior School ICAS Exam - Digital Technologies
Year 9 STEM Workshops at QUT
Year 1 - RAW Art
GBC Sport - Round 3 FLCR v Rivermount
NAPLAN Testing : Year 3, 5, 7 & 9
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GBC Sport - Round 4 FLCR v FLCP
GBC Cross Country Carnival
JTAS Cross Country Carnival
FUNFEST
GBC Sport - Round 5 : BYE Round
Junior School ICAS Exam - Science
SLAPS Cross Country Carnival
Year 3 Day Camp
GBC Sport - Round 6 FLCR v Sheldon
Secondary Campus Photo Day
Senior Piano Winter Concert
GBC Sport - Round 7 FLCR v Redeemer
Percussion - End of Semester Concert
Year 11 and 12 Exam Block
Junior School - ICAS Exam Spelling
Junior School Photo Day
Junior School - ICAS Exam Writing
Junior School Piano Winter Concert
GBC Sport - Term 2 Final Round
Year 10 Careers Conference Day



SPORTS NEWS

We have an exciting Term of sport ahead of us with GBC and JTAS fixtures, Cross Country Carnivals and the opportunity for our students to participate in a number of District trials.

We would like to remind students if they are still keen to get involved with JTAS or GBC sport this term please email Mr Steve O'Carroll (JTAS) – steve.ocarroll@flcr.qld.edu.au or Mrs Peta Barnes – (GBC) – peta.barnes@flcr.qld.edu.au

GBC TERM 2 SPORT

Please see below the training schedule for all teams with commencement dates and times listed. The training schedule can be found in student notices and Faith APP.

Girls - Netball

Junior – Thursday afternoons 3:30pm-5:00pm – 19/04/18

Intermediate – Wednesday afternoons 3:30pm-5:00pm - 18/04/18

Senior – Wednesday afternoons 3:30pm-5:00pm - 18/04/18

Girls - Soccer

Junior – Thursday afternoons 3:30pm-5:00pm - 19/04/18

Intermediate – Monday afternoons 3:30pm-5:00pm – 23/04/18

Senior – Monday afternoons 3:30pm-5:00pm - 23/04/18

Boys - Tennis

Junior – Thursday mornings - 7:00am-8:15am - 19/04/18

Intermediate – Tuesday mornings 7:00am–8:15am – 24/04/18

Senior – Tuesday mornings 7:00am–8:15am – 24/04/18

Boys - Rugby

Junior and Intermediates – Rugby Skill Development session - TBA

Senior – Wednesday afternoons 3:30pm-5:00pm - 18/04/18

Senior – Tuesday afternoons - 3:30pm-5:00pm - 24/4/2018

Please remember that if students can't make training or Saturday fixtures due to other commitments, this needs to be communicated in a timely manner to Mrs Peta Barnes.

CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING

Monday mornings – 6:45am – 7:30am

Wednesday mornings – 6:45am – 7:30am

(All abilities catered for – ALL Faith students and Staff welcome)

JOIN THE FALCON FLYERS FOR A RUN/WALK SESSION

Thursday's Therapy morning – 7:00am – 7:45am (departs Bev Rd Carpark at 7:00am) - 19/04/18

(All abilities catered for – ALL Faith students and Staff welcome)

The training schedule can be found in student notices and Faith APP.

GBC Round 1 - Due to the structure of our draw we have all teams with no official fixture this Saturday, 21 April. We will be running training sessions for our teams at Beveridge Road on Saturday morning. All players are strongly encouraged to attend these sessions – Training schedule can be found in student notices and the Faith APP. For all your JTAS and GBC results and upcoming fixtures please go to our Sports Portal via the website or access through the Parents Lounge.

<https://tass.flcr.qld.edu.au/sportsresults/index.cfm>

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVALS

Secondary School Cross Country

Age Champions and overall House Champion will be announced at assembly – Friday, 20 April.

Bayside District Cross Country Carnival (10-19 Years) - Friday, 27 April

Venue: Capalaba Regional Park (Pittwin Rd - behind Bunnings Capalaba).

Junior School students - information has been sent home to students involved.

Secondary School students - Information has been emailed to families, we ask families to complete the Wufoo transport link by Friday, 20 April by 10:00am. Information for the GBC carnival will be emailed after the Inter-House carnival is completed to avoid any confusion.

MUSIC NEWS

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Instrumental music begins this week including timetabled ensemble rehearsals. Timetables were emailed to students and parents on Monday.

Please ensure you have your instrument and music with you for your first lesson. If you didn't receive your timetable please advise Mrs Altmann. It is important that students attend their scheduled lessons and ensembles as preparations have begun for many events planned throughout the year. Full attendance is essential! Our first major event will be ANZAC Day services next Tuesday.

The Instrumental Music program at Faith is open to students from Year 2-12. Enrolment forms for 2018 are available from the Junior School Office or on-line via the College App – just look for the music button! Should you have any questions regarding enrolment or the Extra Curricular Music program please contact Jacinta Altmann, Head of Extra Curricular Music (P-12) Jacinta.Altmann@fcr.qld.edu.au.

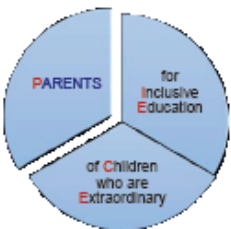
Auditions for Peter Pan JR will take place next Thursday, 26 April from 3:15pm - 5:30pm in the SPAH. All students who have indicated their participation in the production will be required.



Further details will be sent home to those students who have returned their company contract in the coming days.

If you still haven't handed in your company contract, please return it to the office this week.

COMMUNITY NEWS



PIECE ...“And so there is no division in the body, but all its different parts have the same concern for one another.”¹ *Corinthians 12:25*

Each term an event is organised offering a talk by a specialist presenter with a focus on either parenting or education. This term we enjoyed an inspiring address by Peter Janetzki on “Building Champions”. Peter left us with a number of points to

consider; here are just a few:

- A champion is one who finishes strong (not necessarily the one who always wins!)
- A champion is determined and doesn't give up when defeated (multiple times!)
- A champion is one who stands up for moral justice and good values (others may not!)

Life is full of unexpected challenges and we would like our children to have strength of character and commitment (to be resilient, good team players, worthy citizens and self-confident to name a few).

Next term we look forward to a presentation by Megan Warren from Key to Kids on Thursday, 3 May from 7:00 – 9:00pm, in the Multipurpose Space in I-Block on Link Road (alongside the Year 6 Learning Space. Well known locally for her presentations based on the acclaimed book ‘How to talk so kids will listen & Listen so kids will talk’ by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish. Her talk will include practical ideas on: Building your child's resilience and independence.

The committee also aims to encourage parents, particularly those who have a child with a disability or learning difficulty, to meet each other and develop a support network amongst themselves. Casual parent-to-parent Coffee and Cake events will be advertised at regular intervals. During the first term Lindie and Bronwyn hosted 2 coffee mornings, one afternoon and an evening at Barcella, Espresso & Harvest in Victoria Point. Contact Lindie on mha46517@bigpond.net.au if you would like further details.

Further information regarding PIECE can be accessed from our college website under the Community section. From the “Parent Resources” tab, you will be able to locate PIECE documents and information. A number of books and resources on parenting are available for loan from the Parent Library located on both campuses.

For further information concerning PIECE please contact:
Glenda des David glenda.desdavid@fcr.qld.edu.au



FUNFEST 2018 – Ride Armbands



Funfest Side-Show Alley is back again in 2018– and includes a fantastic selection of rides to ensure maximum guest safety and FUN!

Popular returning rides:

- Laser Tag – *new location*
- Super slide
- Dodgem cars

Plus our **regular** rides:

- Jungle safari castle
- Mini golf
- Gladiator
- Mechanical surfboard
- Dunk tank
- Animal farm
- Gold mine
- Rockwall
- Mega chairs
- Round up
- Scrambler
- Trackless train - for all ages



New rides include:

- Cutie Copters **NEW**
- Quad Bikes **NEW**

RIDE ARMBANDS – now on SALE!

Armbands are \$35 each if pre-purchased.

(\$40 if purchased on the day) rides will **operate from 12 midday to 6pm**

Purchase your armbands before the fete and save. Discounts apply for pre-purchase only.

Please note, there is no 'Under 110cm' armbands (as trialled in 2017).

SECURE your Ride Armbands via our ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM

Ride tickets may now be purchased on **Trybooking**

Go to <https://www.trybooking.com/VAQG>

Please make sure you enter the name and class for EACH child purchasing an armband when you book.



**TICKETS
ON SALE NOW!**