



The Road Not Taken

I recently went bushwalking with some friends. We were on a grassy trail and came to a fork in the path. We wondered which route to take, as they were both unmarked. We all reached for our devices for a resolution, some hit up Google Maps, others searched for a pdf map of the area. I went straight to Google and hit up Robert Frost’s famous poem, *The Road Not Taken*. I hadn’t thought of it for years but the imagery from the poem matched exactly the choice before us. I attempted to read it out loud to our group, they rolled their eyes and moved on, mumbling generally how unhelpful I was being. The poem has been on my mind ever since so I shall share it here with some reflection.



The Road Not Taken by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveller, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet, knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence;
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I –
I took the one less travelled by,
And that has made all the difference.

This is probably the most famous American poem of all time. You see bits of it reproduced on coffee mugs and wall plaques and hear it in motivational speeches, ‘I took the one less travelled by and that has made all the difference’. It is touted as being an ode to having a go, thinking out of the box, being bold and so on.

But that’s all incorrect.

The author tells us that for all intents and purposes, on that day and at that time, the two roads were essentially identical. That the choice really didn’t make much difference. Read it again and see. The clue to this poem, the key to unlocking its cleverness is in the last verse. Robert Frost recognises that he is about to make a choice that really makes no difference whatsoever, but, when he reflects on his journey in the future he will brag or boast about how he *did it the hard way or made the tough choice or made some visionary decision that no one else recognised and it led him to some great achievement.*

We get so full of ourselves don’t we. We love to reflect back on what we have done and where we have come from and boast, modestly of course, that it was all our own doing, our own edgy visionary personalities and decisions. Or maybe just our own hard work and sensibleness. But the reality is that so many others work hard, make good choices, make bold decisions, do their best and still do it tough or don’t get the pay-off that we do. Inequity is a reality and when we are on the winning side it is easy to claim the victory as our own.

How wonderful that at Faith we recognise that our worth and foundation is not based on our own efforts, that we don’t have to pump ourselves up with memories of our own magnificence. Rather we know that we are loved by He whose name is love, that we are called into lives of service in our areas of excellence. That Jesus took the road less travelled by, and for each of us, that has made all the difference.

Shane Altmann
Principal

SECONDARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM CHANGE - On Monday, 20 May our students will begin wearing their formal winter school uniform. So why do we have high expectations around uniform at Faith? Last year I spoke to the students about exactly this:

Having a uniform shows we are a group of people working collectively together as part of a team in pursuit of common goals. By wearing their uniform correctly, it shows that individuals have pride and respect for the team they are in and want to display that to all that can see.

So on Monday morning, I look forward to seeing students wearing their winter uniform correctly and with pride as they greet us on the way into the College.

ATAR INFORMATION EVENING - On Tuesday, 21 May we will be holding an ATAR information evening for students entering Year 11 in 2020. This will focus on the changes to the Senior Secondary Curriculum and Assessment.

NAPLAN - Well done to our Year 7 and 9 students who have sat NAPLAN this week. Our approach in the lead up has deliberately been to support them in developing numeracy, literacy and familiarising them with the tests without creating anxiety around it.

FUNFEST - Thank you to all students and parents who are supporting Funfest by volunteering. The numbers involved is a real testament to the culture we have at the College. Put simply our community is awesome. Funfest will be a great day for the College and our community as a whole.

GEN-IN FINALS AT QUT - Congratulations to Year 9 students Molly Shuttleworth, Ella Brinkworth and Emily Barrow who were chosen across Qld from 50 teams to be in the final 11 in today's Gen[in] Finals (Sponsored and funded by Qld Government). The pitches/ideas reflected solving/addressing community issues after 12 weeks of an intensive Entrepreneurship program for students. They were the youngest team amongst school and university students and need to be congratulated on their efforts.

MT BINGA INFORMATION NIGHT - There is a Mt Binga information evening for all students and parents in Year 9 on Tuesday, 28 May at 6:30pm in the AMC Auditorium. Attendance is highly recommended.



Gen-in Finals at QUT

*Stuart Needham
Head of Secondary School*

COLLEGE SHOP

OPENING HOURS

Monday	7:45am to 10:00am
Wednesday	7:45am to 10:00am
Friday	7:45am to 10:00am
First Saturday of every month	8:30am - 11:00am



JUNIOR SCHOOL

FUNFEST – The countdown is on! Thank you to everyone who has already bought in donations. Please remember to check the Funfest newsletters for items of particular need and areas needing additional volunteers. Colouring in competition forms have been sent home but if you need an extra copy there are some available from our administration office to collect.

NAPLAN – Our Year 3 and Year 5 students and staff have approached NAPLAN this week knowing they have done their best to prepare and the tests are one method that helps to give us a snapshot in time of how they are going. Each student has been encouraged to give the assessment their best, but, know that despite their result, we value and appreciate the unique gifts and talents of each one of our children at Faith.

UNDER 8's DAY – we are excited to introduce this event to our community and have the opportunity of celebrating the joy of childhood. Our inaugural event will take place on the oval from 11:00am – 12:30pm on Friday, 17 May. We look forward to welcoming any parents that can join us for this event as well as seeing our Kindy families (whether it is your kindy day or not) joining us for some messy play and fun as they climb across the 23m inflatable obstacle course that will be set up!

SSP TRAINING – On Monday, our students and staff were treated by a visit from Miss Emma – the creator of the SSP training program. It was great to see her interacting with the students and seeing SSP come to life. Our Junior School staff then undertook a 2.5 hour workshop facilitated by Miss Emma to equip them to use this fantastic literacy program across the school. We will continue to use this program throughout the Lower years and commence integrating this into our Upper primary classrooms to support the development of our students literacy skills. If you are interested in knowing more about this program visit: <https://www.dyslexia doctorhouse.com>



YEAR 6 SCIENCE EXPERIENCE DAY – on Tuesday, 21 May our Year 6 students will head over to our Secondary campus to take part in Science activities in order to give them an opportunity to experience hands on Science activities. This is a great way to let students see what life in High School is like and experience using Science equipment as well. We ask that the Year 6 students arrive at the Junior School Campus as normal and be collected from the Beveridge Road Campus at the conclusion of the day. They are also able to purchase food from the canteen if they wish to. Any questions please check in with your Year 6 teachers so that they can help you out.

RESILIENCE WORKSHOP - with the pressures of school work, friendship and life our children can sometimes feel overwhelmed and even doubt their own ability to cope in these situations. On Thursday, 16 May, our Year 6 students will take part in a workshop called 'Resilience Under Pressure' that is designed to equip them with 6 key resilience strategies: Adaptability, Confidence, Purpose, Social Connection, Transparency and Energy. They will come home with a resilience guide that will help them follow their personal resilience action plan that they will design on the day.

Thank you for another great week of learning and community at Faith!

Jodi Blackwell and Greg Tagney

A poster for the 'Under 8's Day 2019' event. The poster has a dark blue background with a central illustration of children playing on a playground with slides, a climbing frame, and a sandpit. The text on the poster includes: 'Come and join us for: Under 8's Day 2019', 'Friday 17th May 11:00am - 12:30pm', and a list of activities: 'Some of the fun includes: Obstacle Course, Arts and Crafts, Messy Play, Face Painting'. There is also a list of requirements: 'Children will need: A hat, Closed in shoes'. The Faith logo is visible in the top corners.

AWARDS

JUNIOR SCHOOL 5C AWARDS

CARE	Lachlan Willis (1N), Roman Morant (3W), Tiana Pospisil (3G), Cooper Colley (5W), Kasey Ball (6G)
CONSIDERATION	Cohen Dillon (1G), Laurie Brengman-Harvey (3N), Maya Kaiser (3W), Oilver La Rosa (3W), Riley Williams (4G)
COMMITMENT	Ella Broderick (3W), Nixon Cook (3W), Ruby Vanderlei (4W), Nate Zordan (4W)
COMMONSENSE	
COURTESY	Rebecca Annand, Mishca Harmer, Joshua Rodwell

JUNIOR SCHOOL CLASS AWARDS

1N	Sam Weber, Elijah Kaiser	4N	Ava Saunders
1G	Cohen Dillon, Boston Becker	4W	Noah Wheeley, Lucy Upton
2G	Hayden Jocusmen, Cooper McEnaney, Arvin Basnet	4G	Hayley Dobbie, Charlotte Lavery
2W	Mitchell Davis, Isabella Ewart	5N	Christian Munro, Macey Maloney
3N	Mark Hill, Lucy Finch-Vaseo	5W	Mia Horn, Cooper Colley
3W	Ella Broderick, Addison Lahiff, Maya Kaiser, Aaliyah Miles	6W	Kingston Brown, Jamieson Baxter
3G	Jackson Byrne, Tiana Pospisil	6G	Deanna Turk, Michael Sumer

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Can you believe it is Week 4 already! This run of short weeks really messes with your internal clock!

Vacation Care plans are almost all locked in for the July holidays. We have three weeks of holidays in July so we're trying something a little different: Adventure Week! From Monday, 8 July - Friday, 12 July there will be an Adventure Excursion each day! The children watched a promo video about the week during assembly on Friday. Did you see the video on our Facebook page? The service will still run as normal for the three weeks with Adventure Week as an option. Keep an eye out for the programs and booking forms.



We've had success in fixing most of the account errors with incorrect CCS but are still working at some of them. We realise this has been a long-running issue and we thank you for your patience through the process. In the meantime, please pay what you can on your account to avoid large outstanding amounts.

SPORTS NEWS

Last Saturday, 11 May Faith hosted Rivermount College for Round 2 of the GBC competition. As can be expected from Faith students, each team welcomed their opponents; played with courage, determination and integrity; and demonstrated respect for each other, the opposition, coaches, referees, teachers and supporters.

Many students played more than one game in order to avoid having to forfeit, and they did this willingly and without complaint. Whilst Rivermount proved worthy opponents, Faith nevertheless were able to secure overall victory in Tennis, 2 wins in Netball and 3 wins in TRL.

This weekend sees us travelling to Faith Plainland for an away fixture, and we are hopeful for some more strong performances. **BEWARE THE FALCON!**



COLLEGE DATE CLAIMERS

Thursday, 16 May	Year 11 RYDA Program 2019 Joseph Rehearsal Year 6 Resilience Workshop
Friday, 17 May	Under 8's Day
Saturday, 18 May	JTAS Term 2 - Round 4 GBC Sport Term 2 - Round 3
Monday, 20 May	P&FA Meeting
Tuesday, 21 May	GBC Cross Country Year 6 Science Experience Day Year 10 ATAR Information Evening
Wednesday, 22 May	Year 7 Grandparents Learning Expo SHINE Program
Thursday, 23 May	Principal's Tour - Junior School Joseph Rehearsal
Friday, 24 May	JTAS Cross Country Carnival
Saturday, 25 May	JTAS - Term 2 Round 4 GBC Sport - Term 2 Round 4 Inclusive Sport - Round 3 FUNFEST
Tuesday, 28 May	Mt Binga Information Evening - Year 9
Wednesday, 29 May	SHINE Program Year 5 Tech Shed Evening
Thursday, 30 May	Bayside District Track & Field 10 - 12 years Joseph Rehearsal
Friday, 31 May	Bayside District Track & Field 10 - 12 years
Saturday, 1 June	JTAS - Term 2 Round 5 GBC Sport - Term 2 Round 6
Wednesday, 5 June	Year 1 Excursion Principal's Tour - Secondary Campus Shine Program Year 5 Tech Shed
Thursday, 6 June	Year 3 Day Camp JTAS Cross Country Joseph Rehearsal
Friday, 7 June	SLAPS Cross Country
Saturday, 8 June	JTAS - Term 2 Round 6 GBC Sport - Term 2 Round 6 Inclusive Sport Round 4
Monday, 10 June	SLAPS Cross Country Year 9 Business Fair Strings Soiree
Wednesday, 12 June	SHINE Program Extra Curricular Music Concert
Thursday, 13 June	Year 10 Mock Interview Day Junior School Principal's Tour Reader's Cup Joseph Rehearsal
Saturday, 15 June	JTAS - Term 2 Round 7 GBC - Term 2 Final Round
Monday, 17 - Thur, 20 June	Year 12 Exam Block
Wednesday, 19 June	Year 11 and 12 QUT Physics Excursion SHINE Program
Thursday, 20 June	Joseph Rehearsal
Saturday, 22 June	Joseph Rehearsal Inclusive Sport - Round 5
Monday, 24 June	QCS Day 2 Year 10 Careers Day

IMPORTANT DATES

COLLEGE DATE CLAIMERS

What's Happening Next...?

Thursday, 16 May	Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat Rehearsal 3:15pm - 5:30pm SPAH
Thursday, 23 May	Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat Rehearsal 3:15pm - 5:30pm SPAH
Saturday, 25 May	FUNFEST 11:00am - 6:00pm Class performances, music performances and community group performances
Thursday, 30 May	Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat Rehearsal 3.15pm-5.30pm SPAH
Friday, 31 May – Sunday, 2 June	Years 5-8 State Honours Ensemble Program – Griffith Conservatorium of Music

FUNFEST

Next Saturday Faith comes alive for Funfest. We will have a variety of performances on the stage in the SPAH throughout the day. Below is the program of performances.

Students are to meet at the front of the stage on the left hand side 10 minutes before their performance time, unless otherwise advised by their class teacher or conductor.

Student instruments can be stored in the green room for the day. Please access the green room via the internal stage door only. The outside door will be locked.

If you find that you have been rostered onto a stall at the same time as your child's performance, please contact Natalie Morrisby on 0439 788 123 to arrange for a relief person to help out at that time.

Funfest 2019 Stage Overview

Please note that times are a guide only and may be subject to change.

SPAH STAGE	
Performance Time	Performance
• 11:00am	• Prep
• 11:10am	• Faith Kindy
• 11:20am	• FUNFEST Official Opening
• 11:35am	• Year 6
• 11:45am	• Year 2
• 11:55am	• Year 5
• 12:05pm	• Year 1
• 12:15pm	• Year 3
• 12:25pm	• Year 4
• 12:40pm	• Limited Edition Dance Studio
• 1:00pm	• Voices of Faith
• 1:15pm	• Cantabile and Dolce Strings
• 1:30pm	• Millennium Dance
• 2:00pm	• Senior and Junior Percussion Ensembles
• 2:15pm	
• 2:30pm	• FAD Cheer and Dance
• 3:00pm - 4:00pm	• Competition Winners Announced and Auction
• 4:30pm	• Creative Dance Industries
• 5:00pm	• Major Prize Draw Winners Announced
• 6:00pm	• Fireworks

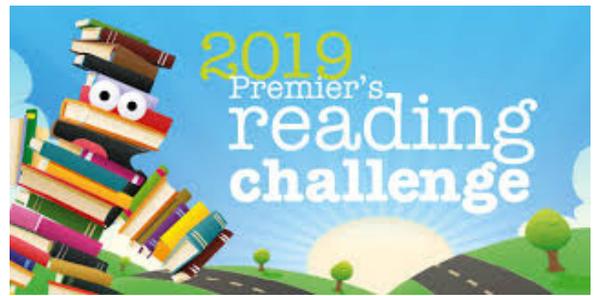


LIBRARY NEWS

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Reading plays an important part in students' lives during their school years and beyond.

This year we are inviting all students from P-9 to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge. The aim for the 2019 challenge is to engage more students reading more books than ever before.



The Premier has invited all state and non-state school students to take the challenge:

- Prep to Year 2 should read or experience at least 20 books,
- Years 3 and 4 should read at least 20 books, and
- Years 5 to 9 should read at least 15 books.

The reading period for the 2019 Premier's Reading Challenge commenced on Monday, 13 May and closes Friday, 23 August. Every student who completes the challenge will receive a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier. Students who participate but don't complete the challenge receive a Certificate of Participation from the school.

Junior School students will all receive a School Reader Record Form during their library session during the coming week. Year 7-9 students can collect forms from the Lighthouse. Once completed, all forms should be returned to the library at your student's campus.

For more information about the Premier's Reading Challenge, please visit: <http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge/> or email informationservices@flcr.qld.edu.au.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Only 9 more sleeps till Funfest- can you believe it?

That means you don't have long to get your armbands at the great value price of \$35! Remember, they will be \$40 on the day. Book now: www.trybooking.com/book/sessions?eid=490579

Please return all raffle tickets to the Junior School Office, both **SOLD** and **UNSOLD**.

Are you a **master builder** or fabulous **cake decorator**? Or do you have the **cutest pet ever**? We would love you to show us! Applications for the Lego, Cake Decorating and Pet competitions will be emailed out this week. Hard copies are available at office.

Step right up – we still have plenty of spaces in the rosters to fill. Please step up and help your class parents man your stall for the day.

Calling all DADS – we are still needing volunteers for set up, the morning of and clean up after Funfest- please contact Alex on 0419668519 if you can give us a hand.

Our auction site is live! Check out our fabulous items: <https://www.32auctions.com/Funfest2019>

We have some exciting news! From 1:00pm – 3:00pm, the 96five Street Machine Team including Duke the DJ Dog will have stacks of game and activities plus freebies!

See you at Funfest!





OPEN DAY

Saturday 8th June 2019

10am - 12 noon

OUR KINDERGARTEN HISTORY

- Centre opened in May 1971
- Planned and developed by the Cleveland Lutheran Church
- Not-for-profit community Kindergarten
- Managed by QLECS – *Queensland Lutheran Early Childhood Services*
- Excellent standards and reputation – rated and assessed by ACECQA as **EXCEEDING** educational standards (2013)



EXCEEDING
 National Quality Standards



OUR KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

- Our Sessional Kindergarten program caters for children in the year prior to commencing Prep
- 8.15am - 2.30pm over a 5 day fortnight
- Additional Before Kindy Care & Kindy Plus program catering for busy families (7.30am - 5.30pm)
- University trained Early Childhood Teachers who work collaboratively with trained Early Childhood Assistants
- Pre-Prep program designed to prepare your child for Prep and their transition to school
- Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guidelines
- Inspired by the Reggio Emilia philosophy
- Play-based / child-centred learning approach
- Integrated literacy and numeracy components

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Explore our learning environments and meet our wonderful teachers



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