We celebrated scholarship, growing leadership and Merit. We wore the mark of the Cross, reflected and continued to build community.

The Dux Assembly
Our College formally acknowledges the academic excellence of its graduating class. We gather in a ceremony called the Dux Assembly. The Bishop Gallagher Centre is polished up for presentation. There are flowers, academic gowns, lighting effects, symbols and dignitaries who all create the scholarly ambience. We even have the Year 2s come over to offer a gift and congratulation that adds to the richness by unashamed cuteness. There are parents and students from the 2014 graduating group and especially there was Dylan Raftery, our Dux with an ATAR of 99.00, who gives a speech. This year we were fortunate to have our Mayor, Mr John Rohde, also speak with to the assembly. He spoke of a vision not to give up. He spoke about resilience and the sense of gratitude for the people who support. We were very proud of what had been achieved in the 2014. We felt his words echoed what had happened to the group. Particularly, at this assembly, we get a chance to applaud excellence in front of the current Year 12s and 11s who begin such important years of their lives. We get a chance to celebrate a love of learning in school and remember the expert guidance of teachers. When Dylan spoke about his relationship with teachers it affirmed so much about that partnership. There was a particular senior Mathematics teacher who was singled out for the dedication, discovery and delight they had shared. Mr Graham Ford dipped his head in humility, as though this was all nonsense, but we all heard how important he had been in Dylan’s life and the love of maths and the thinking that had been ignited. It was good to take a moment to reflect and to remind ourselves to aspire to excellence; remind ourselves of what talented people we have in this school; remind ourselves to always do our best. I congratulated the families and the students. They are on a threshold of opportunity and we will watch them grow from distant Port Pirie and wish them well.

Growing Leadership
The staff House Leaders at Bosco took the new student House Captains, College Captains Erini and James, and Boarding Captain Jake Dolphin on a Leaders’ Camp to Point Lowly near Whyalla. We enjoyed a relaxing time of fun and inspiration. They shared their hopes and made each other laugh. They told stories of leadership and looked within to discover what they had to offer. They built trust in each other and made quiet promises to be the best leaders ever. On the other side of McNally farm Toni Boulton and her Year 7 team were doing the same thing. They were inviting young people to reflect on service, imagine a better community and connect to a love of school. The Benedict community responded with nominations and election. Fine young people stood amongst their peers and said “I want to make a difference.” I feel very grateful that teachers see this as a priority in their work. They throw themselves into activity that forms character and builds responsibility. It is why such great young people emerge from this College.

Leaders’ Assembly
We had two separate ceremonies to Commission our Student Leaders. Three common elements were a gospel of service, the presence and support of Father Paul Quirk and unbelievably the microphone died at both ceremonies. However, the technical difficulties didn’t diminish that wonderful sense of the importance of the moment. At both occasions we were able to create that admiration and reverence for the servant leadership of the students. We saw in our young people hope and determination, a sense of responsibility and purpose. When Theo Dimou and Maggie Waters received their badges as School Captains of Benedict there was a special warmth in the applause. People were proud and clearly had forgotten that Theo mentioned a Port Adelaide premiership in his speech. They recognised two fine young people. When the Bosco House Captains read their statement of commitment people believed them. I guess that’s...
what happens in leadership – people believe them. They certainly left me with much hope. We are now going to support them to believe in themselves. Lots will happen around here then.

**Ash Wednesday**
There were foreheads all over the school on Wednesday showing dusty reminders of the beginning of Lent. The College community gathered in prayer at a number of venues to remember Ash Wednesday. The children had a chance to connect with dust and ash and connect to our vulnerability and selfishness. They had a chance to learn about a gospel of genuine search and reconciliation. There was a formality in the services and a quietness in prayer. Their foreheads wore the mark of the Cross. The great hope of the season of Lent will be in the generosity of our students who will respond so well to Project Compassion. The money boxes were distributed. Our young people are generous.

**A Busy Year 8 Week**
The Year 8 week started with a Parent Night and concluded with tired and happy campers on a trip back from Port Hughes. The parents had gathered to talk about the challenges and the mystery of Year 8s and secondary education. The Year 8s had headed down to Port Hughes to learn a little about each other, to build new friendships and create important school memories which bind them all more closely together. For me what was important was a shared commitment to support each other. Parents wanted to learn about protocols and procedures; they wanted to continue to provide good home backup for the learning; they wanted to be better parents. The students wanted to run, kick, chat, laugh and belong. They wanted to get a sense of being part of something special. They wanted to respond to their endless energy for life and the need to belong to a great group. And what was created was something special. I thank teachers and parents for what was created in a gathering at school on the Monday Night and what was created in a gathering in a 1½ hour bus ride chatting and laughing or gathering in a Port Hughes hall, or oval, or refectory or the gentle wave at the beach.

**Government House**
I felt very privileged to be at Government House last week. The Governor invites recipients of the 2014 Merit Awards for outstanding work in Year 12 subjects. I got the ‘extra ticket’ and felt very special amongst politicians, academics, proud parents and South Australia’s elite students. I met up with Dylan Raftery and his family along with Sarah Noon and Brooke Caputo and their mums and dads. It was thrilling to be in the grounds. It is a handsomely manicured garden and there is a quietness and stillness. It honoured the distinction of our students. Outside the walls, the busy metropolis of Adelaide bustled away whilst we stood in the dignity of affirming excellence. Our three past students presented themselves beautifully. They had done so well last year. The ceremony was all about a gratitude for school life and the opportunity in the future. I certainly congratulate our Merit Award winners Dylan, Sarah and Brooke. I just wonder where our inspiring Governor, former Vietnamese refugee Hieu Van Le, gets time to mow those lawns. It must be a long Sunday afternoon.

Greg Hay, Principal
Our Faith Life

Lent 2015
On Tuesday we prepared ourselves to begin the season of Lent. Benedict Campus gathered in the Quadrangle where we used Palm leaves and class commitments forms to burn our Ashes in readiness for Ash Wednesday. Many pancakes were enjoyed throughout the school as well. Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of Lent. This is our 40 days of Preparation for Easter. We had a Liturgy of Ashes in the morning to begin our time of repentance and spreading the Good News. During Lent Caritas Australia runs their annual Project Compassion campaign. This year the theme is ‘Food for Life’. Students have identified a small way in which we can help other people in our world like Jesus wants us to do. You will see a display in classrooms identifying how the students plan to help others throughout Lent. Each week we focus on one of the stories from the Food for Life Campaign.

Confirmation
The Parent Information Evening for Confirmation Candidates is scheduled for next Wednesday evening (February 25) at 7:30pm. This will be held in the Bishop Gallagher Centre at Bosco Campus. It is important for all parents to attend this evening as we begin our partnership to prepare for your child to be fully initiated into the Church. I look forward to seeing you there.

Katie Pole, Benedict Campus

Shrove Tuesday
With the Lenten season almost upon us, McNally students cooked up a storm for Shrove Tuesday to begin the Bosco Campus fundraising efforts for Caritas and Project Compassion.

Over the next 6 weeks in the lead up to Easter, each of the Houses will be running events and fundraisers to contribute to this worthy cause. We encourage all students to participate where possible and give generously during this time.

Miss Sandy Lee, on behalf of the Bosco House Leaders

During the Ash Wednesday Liturgy at Bosco Campus, staff distributed Project Compassion boxes.

Benedict Campus used palm leaves and class commitments to burn Ashes in readiness for Ash Wednesday.

One of the Benedict classroom displays where students have identified ways they will help others throughout Lent.

House Leaders at Bosco Campus began their fundraising efforts for Caritas and Project Compassion by holding a pancake cook up for Shrove Tuesday.
From the Deputy Principal

Leadership Program
It is with the greatest of pleasures that I announce the School Captains for 2015 at Benedict Campus – Maggie Waters and Theo Dimou. These two students were chosen by their peers and the staff to take on this auspicious role at St Mark’s College. We wish them every success in their role for the year ahead.

Of equal pleasure, I also announce the new House Captains, who will lead their respective teams with pride, diligence, good sportsmanship and care during the year ahead:

Gallagher - Keelie Sjostrom and Will Peterson
Polding - Shannon Doyle and Jamison Murphy
Bosco - Lillian Keain and Jack Tiller
McNally - Ardia Mead and Kallis Freer

Classes have also been busy selecting their Student Representatives for our Benedict Student Representative Council (SRC). We congratulate the two representatives from each class that have been chosen to take on this equally important role within the school.

We celebrated together as a community on Wednesday at a special Prayer Service and Presentation in the Good Samaritan Hall. Fr Paul, Mr Hay and our College Captains joined us as we blessed and placed badges on our new Leadership Team for 2015.

A special thanks to Mrs Toni Boulton for co-ordinating and leading the Year 7’s over the past three weeks in a comprehensive look at what it means to be a leader. Mrs Boulton has indeed set our leaders of the school up for a very successful year!

Caritas Visitor
On Tuesday 10 February, the Year 7’s and their teachers were very lucky to have the opportunity to listen to a lady named Lulu Mitshabu from Caritas Australia. Lulu spoke to them of her life in the Democratic Republic of Congo and her plight to be educated as a young girl in Africa. Her story was both shocking and inspirational. Lulu spoke of her life in Africa and then of how she came to be in Australia and working for Caritas. Lulu’s message was simple – “Every cent you give helps someone to make a better life for themselves and their community somewhere in the world.” Our Year 7’s are sharing Lulu’s story in their own words throughout the classes to help spread this simple yet important life changing message to all our students. I hope that we will remember it and give generously this Lent.

2015 Lenten Season
Benedict Campus celebrated the end of Ordinary Time within the Church with a special Shrove Tuesday Liturgy in the Quadrangle. Classes prepared and wrote ideas of ways they could share their food with others this Lenten Season. We lit a little fire to burn these promises, singing and praying that we would work hard to achieve them during the season of Lent. Classes then cooked pancakes and enjoyed eating them together.

The ashes from these promises were then used the following day for our Ash Wednesday Liturgy. We again gathered together to officially begin the Season of Lent and launch our annual fundraising event – ‘Project Compassion’, watching a video clip around this year’s theme: ‘Food for Life’, and listening to ways that we could help those in our world who are most in need.

Each week during Lent we will be holding a Lenten Liturgy in the Good Samaritan Hall at 9 am to focus on the weekly Project Compassion story together. All families, friends and parishioners are welcome to attend.

Kylie Smith,
Deputy Principal - Benedict Campus
Parents and Friends News

St Mark’s Parent & Friends Committee are having two Fundraisers this term.

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser
Bakers Delight will donate $2 to the School for every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns ordered.
With a choice of Traditional, Choc Chip, Mocha and Fruitless, there is a Hot Cross Bun to suit all tastes.

Please see the Form attached to this Newsletter for orders.
Orders and payment are due back by Monday 16 March and delivery will be on Monday 30 March (week of Easter) at Benedict Campus.

Movie Night Fundraiser
A Movie Night will be held at Benedict Hall on Thursday 9 April.
Movie $5 each, or students can see the double feature for $7.
P & F will be selling $1 bags of lollies, pop tops and small packets chips.
Wear your Onesie or PJs!
BYO beanbag, pillow, teddy or pillow pet!

SMC Parents & Friends Committee

Second PE Day
Term 1 2015

Year 7 Red Tuesday
Year 7 Blue Thursday
Year 7 Green Thursday
Year 6 Red Friday
Year 6 Blue Friday
Year 6 Green Friday
Year 5 Blue Thursday
Year 5 Red Thursday
Year 4 Red Thursday
Year 4 Blue Friday
Year 4 Green Wednesday
Year 3 Red Thursday
Year 3 Blue Thursday
Year 2 Red Thursday
Year 2 Blue Thursday
Year 1 Red Friday
Year 1 Blue Friday
Foundation Blue Friday
Foundation Red Friday
Foundation Green Friday

Anti-Bullying and Harassment

Over the coming weeks teachers will be assisting our student’s in building an awareness and knowledge of dealing with their friendships and recognising behaviours that reflect harassment or bullying in others. Bullying can be an underlying problem in schools. To assist our school in ensuring all our students are safe and happy, it is important that parents and staff work together. We all want what is best for the children in our care.

Following are some things that parents can do to help:
- Talk to your children if you are feeling that your child may be unhappy or acting differently in some way. eg. How was your day at school today?
- Who did you play with today at school?
- Speak to your child’s class teacher/Deputy Principal or someone on staff that you know and trust if you suspect bullying may be occurring or that your child is being a bully.
- Please do not try and ‘fix’ the problem yourself.

Attached to this newsletter is the St Mark’s College ‘Anti-Bullying and Harassment’ Policy for parents to read and be aware of.
There is also a great website that parents can go to for information and ideas about ways to assist your child/ren in regards to bullying and harassment. The address is: stopbullying.gov.

Kylie Smith,
Deputy Principal - Benedict Campus

Star Students

Year 7 Red
Kealy Jarvis
Luke Wheaton
Year 7 Blue
Brandon Hoskin
Maggie Waters
Year 7 Green
Chloe Hillier
Sam DeGioia
Year 6 Blue
Quinn Lane
Fergus Tod
Year 6 Red
Tia Sciangalepore
Alana Reid
Year 6 Green
Emma Perry
James Start
Year 5 Red
Anthony Albanese
Kelsey Monaghan
Year 5 Blue
Nicholas Joy
Eliza Mezzino
Year 4 Red
Ayesiha Everett
Claire Coffey
Year 4 Blue
Brodie Anderson
Milana Tattoli
Year 4 Green
Armita Lane
Ryder Petagna
Year 3 Red
Seth Dannenberg
Kloe Tyler
Year 3 Blue
Lara Mellow
Zara Clark
Year 2 Red
Eva Christensen-Lauder
Aylissa Ganley
Year 2 Blue
Willow Swarase
Cooper Ferme
Year 1 Blue
Lachlan Bath
Eden Ferme
Year 1 Green
Oscar Chivell
Jack Rafanelli
Year 1 Red
Laura Snowden
Isaiah Jenkin
Foundation Blue
Eve Porta
Charlie Waters
Foundation Green
Peyton Wright
Demi Smith
Foundation Red
Riley Dwyer
Molly Hudson
From the Deputy Principal

Teachers welcomed new parents to Bosco Campus with an information evening and tour of the College. The evening allowed parents to “meet” their child’s Care Group and subject teachers, receive a briefing of the organisation of the College and ask questions. All parents please feel most welcome to make contact with the College through the Bosco office at any time to discuss queries or concerns.

Sister Elizabeth Youn, from the Youth Ministry team spoke with the Year 10-12 students about the upcoming Port Pirie Diocese Youth Assembly being held on the 7 and 8 March. She invited students (aged 16 – 25 years) to attend all or part of the Assembly and to join in the celebration of the ordination of Harold Camonias. Interested parties can contact her on 0448809134.

The Year 9 students enjoyed a visit from Caritas Australia when Lulu Mithabu spoke of her life in the Congo. She spoke about being warned by her neighbours not to go home as the officials were waiting and so had to choose between her husband and children. She chose to leave with her children and so became a refugee. Lulu was one of the lucky ones - her family came to Australia. She is very grateful for her good fortune and through Caritas is making Australia aware of the conditions and suffering of those less fortunate. She appealed to the students to support Project Compassion this year.

The Year 12 students attended their first Mass at the Cathedral and House Liturgies held at the Campus on Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of the Lenten Season. Project Compassion was launched and over the next few weeks the students will be involved in fundraising.

An upcoming event that parents, family and friends are welcome to attend is the Bosco Athletics Day on Friday 27 February starting at 9.00am.

Janet Haskett
Acting Deputy Principal - Bosco Campus
National Science Teacher’s Summer School

In the January holidays, Tamara Kelly and I travelled to Canberra to participate in a week long Professional Learning opportunity, the National Science Teacher’s Summer School, held especially for Science Teachers from across Australia. The program worked in conjunction with the Australian National University to inspire and educate teachers on current research and projects funded by the Federal Government to forward Australia's progress in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. We heard from a range of presenters on topics of Climate Change, Aerospace Engineering, Stem Cells and the Expanding Universe Theory by Nobel Laureate Professor Brian Schmidt. Each presenter provided great insight into the work that they are doing, the impact they have on current thinking and how it relates to our students sitting in our classrooms. We undertook laboratory sessions in Chemistry titrations and Genetically Modified Cotton at the CSIRO then ventured away from the campus to the Mount Stromlo Observatory to learn about supernovas, Canberra Deep Space Communication Complex where we steered the satellite to collect radio waves from Pulsars occurring in our Universe hundreds of thousands of years ago and Parliament House for role playing activities. We were educated on uses of 3D printing for medical engineering and saw firsthand the Space Simulation facilities which test Australia’s future satellites at the Research School of Astronomy and Astrophysics. Geoscience Australia kindly showed us the National Tsunami Warning Centre in action and the Questacon generously allowed us to explore their many wonders after hours. We look forward to sharing our experiences with our students and continuing to inspire our classes in pursuing careers in Science. Through networking with other teachers and our week long visit we are motivated in ensuring our students are receiving quality science education that will enable them to contribute to, question and further develop our understanding of our world.

Jane Bennett and Tamara Kelly, Bosco Science Teachers

A Reminder to Parents and Caregivers of Year 9 Students

2015 Rite Journey Calling/Departure Ceremony

The Calling/Departure Ceremony will be held at the Western end of Solomontown beach lawn, this Sunday 22 February at 7.30 pm. Please bring a chair or rug. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Rite Journey Team

Year 8 Camp

On the first day of camp we went to Port Hughes beach, most people swam but others flew a kite or played games. When we got back to camp, we had a short Mass and then we had tea. After tea Mr Ryan set up a quiz which was lots of fun and everyone enjoyed it. In the morning we got up, had breakfast and then we played some group games. We then went to Moonta Bay beach and the Water Park. At the Water Park the Year 8 students went on water slides and stood under the giant water bucket. When we got back to camp we watched the movie Box Trolls out under the stars. In the morning we packed up then went to the park and the Lolly Shop. After that we got on the bus and went home.

Taylor and Hayley, Year 8 students

We arrived at our Port Hughes accommodation after a long bus trip, where on the bus the girls were singing and the boys chatting and eating. We all went to Port Hughes beach for a swim and kite flying and then we relaxed in our dorms. All the students and teachers loved Mrs Gadaleta’s homemade lasagna. The next day we went to Moonta Bay where we all had a good time. All the students couldn’t wait for the new Water Park to open and some had to be patient while fishing trying to catch a crab or whiting. All the students were tired from being at the beach but were excited for the movie night under the stars. On our last day we were all tired but got some sleep that night at home.

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SMC Hockey

Organisation is well under way for Hockey this year. Firstly, I’d like to thank Jack Jordan for all his hard work with Hockey at Saint Mark’s over the past 16 years; it’s been a monumental effort and he certainly deserves a well-earned break, although he has assured me he is on hand if I need it.

Registration forms are now available from the Bosco Office and have been distributed to classes at Benedict, with spares also in the Office. The due date for these forms is the 27 February. This year the junior season will begin on 1 and 2 May, the weekend prior to school returning.

Toni Cronk Goal Keeper Clinic

There is an upcoming Goal Keeper Clinic run by Toni Cronk, a former Hockeyroo and dual Olympian; it’s a fantastic opportunity for our up and coming goalies. The Clinic is open to both male and female goalkeepers of all ages and is in Adelaide for one day only on Sunday 1 March at State Hockey Centre, Gepps Cross. Registrations close 26 February. For more information please email tonicronk@me.com or visit website www.tonicronk.com.au

Hook into Hockey

Hook into Hockey will also be run by the Port Pirie Hockey Association this year; the program is for beginners between the ages of 5-10. Participants receive a pack on sign up including a hockey stick, shin guards plus a lot more. For more information, check out http://www.hookin2hockeyhockey.org.au/. An opportunity to sign up will come soon.

If anyone would like to coach a Saint Mark’s Hockey team this season, please let me know by contacting the Bosco Office on 8633-8812, your help would be appreciated. Information regarding teams and information will be out soon.

Jesslyn Oxford, SMC Hockey Coordinator

SMC Tennis

St Mark’s Junior Wind-up

The St Mark’s Tennis Wind-up will be held on Tuesday, 17th March, 2015 from 5:30-7:00pm at the Good Samaritan Hall. Hot Shot players who have registered through our St Mark’s Club are also invited to attend. More detailed information will be distributed to players shortly.

Last Games

The weather has been unkind to us since Christmas with few matches being played. The final game for E & F grades is being played this Friday, 20th February. We look forward to seeing all players from our E and F Grade teams playing for St Mark’s again next season. A-D Grades will play this Saturday, weather permitting, as well as another mid-week match next week to complete minor round. Finals will then begin on Saturday, 14th March following the March Long Weekend.

Port Pirie and District Tennis Tournament Closed Junior Tournament

This tournament, which is only open to Pirie Juniors, will now be held on March 22 and 23 at the Tennis Centre. Entries close at 12:30pm on Saturday, 14 March. There is entry fee as these were included in the association affiliation fees. Entry forms (distributed early this week) can be given to Mr McKeough or dropped into the Tennis Centre. It’s especially a great opportunity for E and F Graders, who have missed so much tennis to have an extra hit.

Upper North Foundation Cup Qualifying Tennis Tournament

This regional tennis tournament will be held at the Tennis Centre on Thursday, 12th March at 6:00pm. Age groups are U/15, U/13, and U/10 for both boys and girls. From this tournament, teams will be selected to represent the Upper North Region at the State Foundation Cup in Berri in October. Entry forms were distributed to players earlier this week with further details.

Nyrstar Port Pirie International Tennis Tournament

The Port Pirie International Tennis Tournament will be played from 28th February -8th March. It is a great opportunity for players to witness the skills of the young up and coming Australian tennis stars who will be appearing. Well done to St Mark’s players who will act as ball boys and scoreboard attendants.

Inter-Association Tennis

The inter-association match against Southern Flinders which was due to be played this Sunday (22/2/15) at Melrose has been postponed due to the forecast high temperatures. It is hoped to re-schedule the match to mid – March.

Des McKeough, SMC Tennis Coordinator

SMC Netball

Registrations for Netball have been completed this week. The season opens on Saturday 2 May and Grand Final day is Saturday 5 September. Teams will be nominated and graded ready to be announced in the last week of Term.

We look forward to another successful and enjoyable season of Netball.

Katie Pole, SMC Netball Coordinator
Trade Skills Centre

Our first group of students have commenced Certificate II in Rural Operations at the new St Mark’s Trade Skills Centre. This Certificate comprises of combined competencies from Engineering, Automotive, Civil and Farming Industry Sectors.

Joel Head, Agriculture/Trade Skills Centre Manager
Volunteers

Thank you to our Volunteers

We would like to express our thanks and appreciation for our College Volunteers. We thank them for their time and for using their gifts and abilities to benefit and support the College, its staff and students.

Please note that if you are volunteering at the school in any capacity where you have contact with children, it is mandatory that you:
- have a current Police Check
- complete the Volunteer Induction Booklet
- complete the Responding to Abuse and Neglect online course.

Police checks will be due for renewal every 3 years and our current volunteers who have a Police Check expiring will receive a reminder letter. We ask that you please contact the College to receive paperwork to renew your Volunteer status and Police Check clearance.

Please note that we are now able to accept National Police Checks, if they are less than 12 months old, as clearance.

If you would like more information on becoming a Volunteer at the College, please contact Linda or Maryann on 86 32-2800.

Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.
- Elizabeth Andrew

Notices

Thinking about becoming a Catholic?

St Mark’s Cathedral Parish is currently preparing for the next RCIA journey. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the next RCIA group, please leave your name, address and contact phone number at the Parish Office or speak to one of the priests.

Moonlight Movies

Friday 6 March in Memorial Park from 7pm to 10pm. Story time with Larryn from 7.30pm to 8pm and The Lego Movie from 8pm to 9.45pm. Free community event with food and drink stalls and children’s entertainment. BYO Deck chairs and picnic rugs.

Singing and Piano Lessons at St Mark’s College

Individual half hour lessons for singing and piano. Enquiries very welcome. Contact Anne Hansen on 86 36-2231

Hip Hop Bounce

Do you have a passion for and a love of dance? Then come and make new friends and have fun whilst learning proper dance techniques at Hip Hop Bounce. Huge range of styles including hip hop, cheerleading, ballet, tap, jazz, contemporary, tumbling and acrobatics as well as Bounce Sing. All ages! Contact Natasha on 0416 239 676 or natasha@hiphopbounce.com.au
The role of all students

All students at Saint Mark’s College have a responsibility to create a safe and happy learning environment. Any student witnessing bullying or harassment needs to take appropriate action:

Say ‘No!’ or ‘Stop it!’ firmly
Walk away
Try to act unaffected or ignore the person
Talk to a trusted adult at the school or at home
Ask friends, parents or teachers for their help to deal with the issue safely

If you see someone else being bullied, and feel safe to do so, you can:

refuse to join in
not watch
tell the person doing the bullying to stop
say something supportive to the person who is being bullied or invite them to join your group
say to the person being bullied that the other person’s behaviour is not okay.

If you are being cyberbullied, and you feel safe to do so:

don’t respond to the message or image
save the evidence as a screenshot if you wish to use it as part of dealing with the bullying
block the sender and delete the message
report the situation to the website or ISP
talk to trusted people—friends, adults, teachers, parents and police, if necessary
BULLYING AND HARASSMENT TYPES

There are many ways in which you can be harassed – these are a broad set of examples. Often types of bullying and harassment may involve more than one type.

**PHYSICAL**
- Fighting, pushing, scratching, shoving, offensive gestures, spitting, invasion of personal space, throwing things, stand-over tactics, damage to property etc.

**VERBAL**
- Name calling, offensive language, sarcasm, insults, threats, comments about the size and shape of your body.
- Slander: spreading rumours, writing unpleasant notes etc.

**PSYCHOLOGICAL**
- Threats of reprisal, put-downs, domination by one or more persons, intimidation, exclusion, ganging up on a person.
- Social: ignoring, excluding, ostracising, alienating.

**RACIAL**
- Can include name calling, belittling jokes and remarks about a person’s body, cultural and family background, graffiti on personal property and physical attacks, telling jokes or showing offensive material, isolation, name calling because of race etc.

**SEXUAL**
- Deliberately touching or brushing against a person after being asked to stop this behaviour.
- Telling offensive jokes or showing offensive material.
- Critical remark or comment or exclusion by gender
- Unwelcome staring, whistling, gestures, innuendo or comments about a person’s body or sexuality.
- Asking questions about your private life, spreading rumours.

**TECHNOLOGICAL**
- Can include abuse and harassment via chat rooms, facebook, snap-chat, instagram, blogs, email, SMS, mobile phones etc.

WHY DO WE NEED A “POLICY” ON BULLYING AND HARASSMENT?

Any form of harassment is both illegal and un-Christian.

At Saint Mark’s College staff and parents believe that students should not have their education and development hindered by bullying and/or harassment.

We are all equal before God. Everyone has the right to be treated as worthwhile and important. We all have the right to work and learn in a safe, enjoyable environment.

Bullying and/or harassment and/or discriminatory behaviours destroy this environment. Saint Mark’s College is committed to preserving the dignity of each person and providing an environment in which all students feel safe and are safe.

DESCRIPTION

The National Safe Schools Framework defines bullying as repeated verbal, physical, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group towards one or more persons. Cyberbullying refers to bullying through information and communication technologies, e.g. the internet or mobile devices. Conflicts or fights between equals and single incidents are not defined as bullying. Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

In short, bullying is a repeated pattern of harmful verbal, physical or social behaviour which involves the misuse of power. Cyberbullying is bullying through the internet or mobile devices.

Not all aggressive or harmful behaviour between people is bullying. While conflicts and aggressive behaviour need to be addressed, it is important to be clear when these behaviours are not actually bullying.

The definition of bullying has three critical aspects - a repeated pattern, the misuse of power within relationships, and behaviour which causes harm; all three aspects need to be present in order for behaviour to be called bullying.

OUR VISION

In the tradition of Don Bosco where we live by reason, religion and loving kindness.

All members of the community at Saint Mark’s College are called:

- To bear witness to God’s love;
- To promote justice in our local community and the wider community;
- To create an environment where the dignity of each person is respected;
- To respond to the Gospel call to continuing conversion of heart;
- To reflect and promote a spirit of forgiveness and reconciliation.

OUR BELIEFS

At Saint Mark’s College the conditions of enrolment clearly state the expectations of students:

- We believe students are responsible in nurturing an environment of study through being respectful of the rights of students to learn and the right of teachers to teach;
- We believe students need to develop the ability to be self-determining in their behaviour and to be fully responsible for their actions;
- We believe as a community, that adults have responsibility to guide students in making appropriate behavioural choices.

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In the tradition of Don Bosco where we live by reason, religion and loving kindness.

All members of the community at Saint Mark’s College are called:

- To bear witness to God’s love;
- To promote justice in our local community and the wider community;
- To create an environment where the dignity of each person is respected;
- To respond to the Gospel call to continuing conversion of heart;
- To reflect and promote a spirit of forgiveness and reconciliation.
ST MARK’S PARENTS & FRIENDS FUNDRAISER
HOT CROSS BUN ORDER FORM

Bakers Delight Port Pirie would like to offer you the opportunity to purchase delicious Hot Cross Buns and make a profit for our school. The more buns you purchase the more profit we make!
For every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns you order, Bakers Delight Port Pirie will donate $2 to the school.

Simply fill in the details below and select which Hot Cross Buns you would like to order. Return your order form, together with full payment, to school by **MONDAY 16 MARCH** and your buns will be ready to collect on **MONDAY 30 MARCH**.

**Remember to ask family and friends if they would like to order some too!**
Orders can be collected from BENEDICT on **MONDAY 30 MARCH** from 3pm.

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