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KEY DATES

17 Nov: Year 8 Ninja Day

18 Nov: Year 7 Ninja Day
Creative Arts Night

24 Nov: Parent Chat Group ,
Yr 10 Laptop Collection

26 Nov: Merit Cert. Award Day

It's always a good idea to save or print a calendar to keep track of all the important and exciting events happening at the College.

**THE TERM 4, 2014
CALENDAR OF EVENTS CAN
BE DOWNLOADED [HERE](#)**

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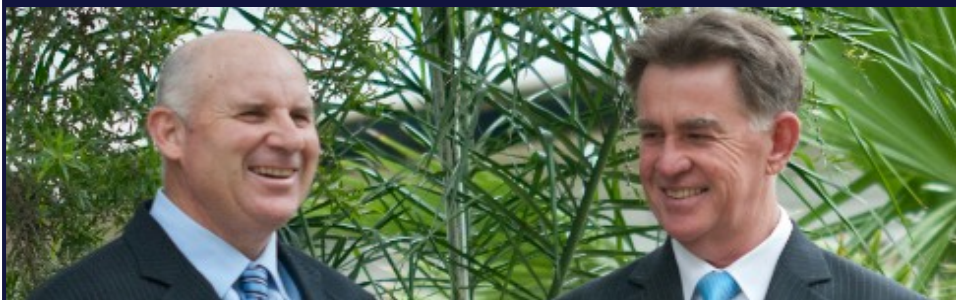
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FROM THE PRINCIPALS – MR JIM FANNING & MR PHIL SMITH



When we think about our community here at our college it has been built over the years by many people working together involving students, parents and caregivers, staff and the wider community.

Some examples of care at the College have been the Year 12 students who had the desire to come back to the Schofields campus and celebrate their graduation with the rest of the student body as well as the Year 7 2015 students that joined us at Schofields for their transition day, who were welcomed by their Peer Support Leaders. Again we were witness to a sense of community building through students being aware of others and caring for others.

Let's continue to build community at our college and also remember that **Learning makes the Difference.**

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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

As we come closer to the end of 2014, students are beginning to look forward to the summer and holidays. Many students are beginning to consider part-time work - so there's a few helpful hints, tips and information here to look at while making these decisions. It's also important that students remain focused in these last weeks of the term. Keep an eye out for details and bookings for the Parent/Caregiver and Student interviews on Wednesday, December 17.

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PRAYER

Term 4 has been a busy in terms of the religious life of the College with Year 9 and 10 reflection days. Year 9 engaged with Chris Doyle, a musician who gave students an opportunity to examine teenage culture and how it intersects with God's offer to love humanity unconditionally. Year 10 examined the Gifts of the Holy Spirit by listening to teacher's testimony on how the gifts are present in their lives. We pray that all of the members of the Terra Sancta College community recognise that we each are blessed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and act on those gifts accordingly. [READ MORE >](#)

WHOOPIING COUGH—PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT

[Click here](#) to view advice from the Western Sydney Public Health Unit due to increase in whooping cough notifications in Western Sydney since June 2014

News, Updates and Reports

PARENT NOTICES

- [SCHOOL FEES SCHEDULE FOR 2015](#): view the Annual Diocesan and School Based Fees and information letter for 2015
- [PARENT CHAT GROUP](#): The next parent chat group will be on Monday, 24 November
- [STUDENT DROP OFF/PICK UP ZONE](#): Students are to be dropped off/picked up from Rose Cottage, next door to Schofields Campus
- [YEAR 9 2015 LAPTOP PROGRAM](#): purchase details and information
- **WORKING BEE**: Thank you to the Williams Family for their generous donation towards the cost of paint for our November working bee.

IMPORTANT: CHANGES TO CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA ENROLMENT POLICY

In September 2014, a new enrolment policy and procedures were approved for use by Catholic systemic schools in the Diocese of Parramatta.

[CLICK HERE](#)

to read into what has changed and frequently asked questions.

LATEST NEWS

YEAR 8 PEER LEARNING PROGRAM

Year 8 Students from TSC visit local Primary Schools to work with the students on a range of activities and programs! [READ MORE >](#)



VICTOR CHANG SCIENCE AWARD

Monique Borg received the Victor Chang Award for her achievements and excellence in Science during 2014. [READ MORE >](#)



ALL SAINTS FEAST DAY MASS

Last Friday, 7 November, Year 9 students and students celebrated All Saints Feast Day with Father Ruben. [READ MORE >](#)



CAREERS REPORT

Year 12 students now have finished their HSC exams and are in wind down mode - holidays, schoolies, socialising most likely form a large part of daily routines. Many students are also taking on more shifts at their part-time employment. However, reality will arrive back in mid December when BOSTES and UAC release HSC results and ATARS. This can be a time for seriously re-thinking study/ course options. Regardless of results always stay positive and remember there are many pathways available.

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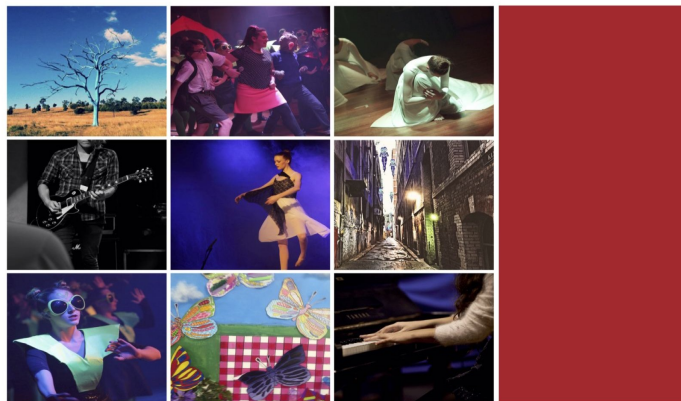
OTHER NEWS

- [Welcoming Year 7 2015 on their Transition Day!](#)
- [Launch of the first Year 10 Digital Yearbook](#)
- [Year 11 become University Science Students at UWS for a Day](#)
- [Awards, Experiments & a "TSC Family Feud" at the Science Assembly!](#)
- [New Collaborative Learning Furniture at Nirimba Library](#)
- [Year 7 Choreograph Their Own Dance in PDHPE](#)

COUNSELLORS CORNER

When you hear mention of 'kids affected by cancer' or 'young people living with cancer' you might think only of kids who have cancer themselves. But kids who don't have cancer are affected by people close to them who do. Mr. Graham discusses how children are affected if a close relative or friend, or particularly someone they live with has cancer and looks at the services available to assist in handling these situations.

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MEET OUR STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL!



YEAR 7 SRC MEMBER: ISABELLA WILLIAMS

The SRC play a very important role in our College community, so it's important you know your SRC. Meet Year 7 SRC Member Isabella Williams!

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STUDENTS - \$5

ADULTS - \$10

FAMILY - \$15

**CREATIVE
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DONATE TO THE TSC MOVEMBER TEAM!

A team of 10 teachers from Terra Sancta College has pledged to grow their mo to raise awareness and money for men's health this Movember! To meet the Terra Sancta Mo Team and donate follow the link below!

<http://moteam.co/terra-sancta>



Know someone extraordinary?

MacKillop Family Services is seeking respite, immediate, short and long-term foster carers in your community. Do you know someone who has the patience, resilience and understanding to support children and young people who may not have had the best start in life?

Do you know a family member or friend who would make a great foster carer?

Foster Care Information Session

Thursday 27 November, 2014 from 6.15 - 8.00pm (Refreshments provided)

James Cusack Room, Vinegar Hill Memorial Community Centre
Rouse Hill Town Centre, Civic Way, Rouse Hill (above Library)

Register your interest by 26 November on (02) 8881 4800
or louise.carson@mackillop.org.au

MacKillop
Family Services

Foster care enquiries:
1300 791 677
mackillop.org.au/fostercare

STAGE 5 UPDATES

Year 9

Year 9 students have recently participated in two days of Peer Support Training in preparation for the Year 7 students of 2015. Soon after this training, the students exercised their leadership skills on Year 7 2015 Transition Day, where they met their peer support students for the first time! Year 9 have displayed great leadership and responsibility.

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Year 10

As the year comes closer to an end, Year 10 students are preparing themselves for senior campus and the beginning of their Preliminary HSC studies in 2015! Year 10 had the opportunity to learn about the great range of subjects offered in 2015 during Learning Enrichment last term. The "senior" status is not too far off for these students!

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