It is with great sadness that I inform you of the passing of Fr. Jim O’Brien. Jim was a much loved member of the St Maximilian Kolbe community and was its Pastor for many years. Because of ill health Jim was allowed to retire and for the last couple of years was in a home down the coast.

He passed to eternal happiness Monday morning due to complications with his health. As a dear friend to the SFC family, he will be greatly missed. Please keep his family and the Maximilian Kolbe Parish in your prayers. There will be a vigil mass for him at 5.30pm, Sunday at St Maximilian Kolbe Parish and a mass at the cathedral of St Stephen in the city at 10.30am Monday.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, May perpetual light shine upon him, may he rest in peace.

As you know we have refurbished our car park this year which included upgraded safety features in terms of short term parking and traffic flow. We have embarked on an education campaign in the newsletter, with students on assembly and indeed rostering staff on the car park to communicate with the community about how we expect it to operate so that student safety is paramount. At the beginning of the year many staff volunteered their time outside of normal duties to ensure the education campaign and communication with parents went well.

On the whole we have been happy with the way parents and students have embraced our requests. Car park protocols are there to keep students and others safe. Please follow the directions of staff on duty and show respect to other families.

Thank you to the Parents and Caregivers in the P-6 classes who have participated in the Parent Teacher interviews. These are part of our reporting process and we strongly urge you to attend one of these if you haven’t done so already. Please book a time with our friendly teachers.

On Monday Night the teachers met as a P-12 staff to review our Positive Behaviour for Learning framework (PB4L). We use this framework to teach students appropriate behaviours so our classrooms are able to be used for teaching and learning and not just management of student’s behaviours. Our teachers undertook further professional development so that learning can be maximised in every classroom of the college.

We are looking forward to a fun filled Prep to Year 6 Disco this Friday night from 5.30pm – 7.30 pm. in the San Damiano Hall. Entry is by a gold coin donation and the proceeds go to Caritas. Only students from St Francis College may attend.

Paul Blinkhoff, Head of Campus P-6 is currently on pilgrimage to Rome and the Holy Land. He is with the Executive Director of Brisbane Catholic Education, the Archbishop of the Brisbane Archdiocese and other senior leaders. He sends you his prayers and best wishes and we look forward to his return next term.

We welcome to the Franciscan community Charlotte Rose – grand daughter of Mrs Alexis Smiley.

P & F Contribution Policy
The College values our partnership with parents. We know that our young people are more likely to be happy, healthy and successful learners when parents and school work together. Parents contribute in many ways to our College and one of the most significant is volunteering. Volunteers work in classrooms, in the tuckshop, at breakfast club and many other capacities. In order to acknowledge the importance of this volunteer work (and the important home college connections it fosters) the College and Parents and Friends are offering a rebate on P & F contribution for those who volunteer more than 5 hours annually at the College. This policy and the process for claiming a refund can be found on our website.

Unfortunately due to uncertainty around Government funding we are no longer in a financial position to deduct volunteer hours from school fees so the P & F contribution policy replaces all previous arrangements.

Best wishes for the coming week.

Tricia, Mark and Rob
From the Library:
This term's Scrabble Challenge is coming to an exciting conclusion. The five finalists are involved in a Round Robin competition and with only one game to play, the winner is yet to be decided. Here Kalani, Natasha, Shelyla, Keira, and Malyyka and Run are considering their chances of winning while Laura our timekeeper and scorer looks on.

hairspray TICKETS ON SALE NOW!
Tickets for Hairspray are on sale now. This year, there are two ways to book tickets for the show:
1. Go to the URL: [http://www.trybooking.com/EGHK](http://www.trybooking.com/EGHK) you can also go to trybooking.com and search for SFC Hairspray. Payment can be made by Visa Debit or Credit Card.
2. Payment by Cash or Card will be accepted through the school office – see Nicole Hewson at the Parent Entrance for bookings.

The padlet address is: [www.padlet.com/wall/sfcmusical](http://www.padlet.com/wall/sfcmusical)

Be A Good Egg This Easter
Presently children as young as 12 years old are picking cocoa in West Africa to make the chocolate we eat. Most are forced to pick cocoa from an early age for minimal or no wages, for long hours, in dangerous working conditions, without any possibility of attending school. Most of these children have never tasted chocolate.

Five years ago, Australian supermarkets did not have any Easter chocolate certified as slavery-free, now there are at least six slavery-free Easter eggs and rabbits available.

COMMUNITY HUBS
Hi my name is Tammie Usher and I have been appointed the new Community Hub Leader. The community hub is a national program that links families and their preschool children to services and support, learning opportunities and the wider community. Community hubs makes it easier for families to access the assistance they need by bringing local education, health, community and settlement information and services into a familiar and friendly place. Being part of a hub gives families a sense of belonging and creates friendships and support networks. In the new term I will be organising a meet and greet morning tea where I will invite parents of the community to share a cup of tea and have a chat about what you might want from our community hub. Have a safe holiday and I look forward to meeting you all when we return.

Tammie Usher | Community Hub Leader
As part of Positive Behaviour for Learning System we are teaching appropriate behaviours to students each week. These behaviours follow our school rules:

**Respect Self**
- Arrive at school and class on time.
- Wear the correct uniform.
- Give your best in every class.
- Follow teacher instructions.

**Respect Others**

**Respect the Environment**

This week’s focus is on **Respect Self**. The behaviours we are asking the students to demonstrate are:

- Respect Self
  - Arrive at school and class on time.
  - Wear the correct uniform.
  - Give your best in every class.
  - Follow teacher instructions.

Students who continuously display appropriate behaviours are awarded with a GOTCHA! Ask your child what a GOTCHA is and how many they are receiving!!!!!!!!! GOTCHAS for this week were awarded to:-

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**PB4L NEWS**

The year to be seen

HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR CHILD'S DIARY?
Our wonderful students in Certificate III in Children’s Services regularly visit our cute preppies to learn about early childhood development, education and care. Here they are engaged in water play, an exciting game of “What’s the time Mr Wolf” and an imaginary tea party.
YEAR 6 CAMP
A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!

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CAREER NEWS
HELIicopter PUBLIC OPEN DAY AND FLY-IN
Aeropower Flight School at Redcliffe
When: Saturday 12 April 2014 from 9 am to 2 pm Where: Rothwell, QLD Click on this link to book tickets: http://aeropowerflightschool.com.au/tickets
FUTURE CHANGES TO ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR QUT
From 2016 onwards, Bachelor of Education courses will have prerequisite subjects instead of assumed knowledge. This means you will need to have studied the required subjects to gain entry to these courses. The Queensland Studies Authority subjects are:
- Senior English (4 SA) and Mathematics: Maths A, B or C (4 SA)
For students entering undergraduate primary and early childhood programs. A sound achievement (4 SA) in a
For students entering undergraduate primary and early childhood programs. A sound achievement (4 SA) in a Queensland Studies Authority science subject, or equivalent subject from another jurisdiction.
Students offered a place in these bachelor degrees in 2015 will not be able to defer commencement of study.
MEDIA POTENTIAL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Would you like to be a TV star or read prime time news? Improve your confidence, speaking and communication skills? Media Potential One-Day Media Workshops for school-aged students aged 13 – 17 from 10 to 11 April will be held at the Channel 7 studios. Contact Media Potential direct on 3511 3455 or www.mediacom.com.au.
INTERESTED IN STUDYING A BACHELOR ARTS AT UQ?
The website at http://www.hass.uq.edu.au/future-students provides information about all the study areas available in UQ’s B Arts. The information for each study area includes key employment areas.
UQ’S CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WEBSITE
On this site at http://www.uq.edu.au/study/index.html?page=13018 you can find out about the UQ Bonus rank scheme, upcoming events, scholarships and much more. You can also register to receive the Student Update Newsletter.
YEAR 11 AND 12 STUDENTS CAN ACCESS UQ LIBRARY
Through the UQL Cyberschool Brisbane students can join the UQ Library and borrow books. Join at https://www.library.uq.edu.au/services-for/borrowing-application-form. You can access free online resources for senior subjects and a number of other resources including handy referencing tools.
WHAT IS AN ONCOLOGY DIETITIAN?
The My Health Career website at https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/Dietetics/Oncology-Dietetics has a case study written by an oncology dietitian. This is an emerging field of practice that starts with registration as a dietitian. Read the case study and then find out more on the following websites.
My Health Career http://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/lates...

A LIFE WITHOUT LIMITS - SURVEYING
Interested in working indoors and outdoors in a job with lots of variety? Like Maths and Geography? Want a job with good employment prospects? Have you considered surveying as a career option?
The ‘A Life without Limits’ website at http://www.alliwithoutlimits.com.au/ is dedicated to providing you with information about surveying. The site includes video clips and case studies and explains the different roles within the field of surveying.
BONUS RANKS TO HELP GAIN ENTRY TO UNIVERSITY
Some universities that use QTAC to process their applications give current Year 12 applicants bonus points for studying specific subjects in Years 11 and 12. This means your OP or Rank can be improved for entry to courses at these universities if you have studied these subjects St Francis College offers a range of VET courses to students in Years 11 and 12.
The following institutions have Year 12 Bonus Schemes.
- Australian Catholic University
- Griffith University
- Queensland University of Technology
- Southern Cross University
- University of Queensland
- University of Southern Queensland
- University of the Sunshine Coast

The QTAC website at http://www.qtac.edu.au/Applying-SAS/Year12Bonus.html has links to the schemes offered by these universities. Note that the bonus given is not an OP.
It is a Rank. To understand how OPs compare to QTAC selection ranks, see the 2013 Year 12 Conversion Tables at http://www.qtac.edu.au/Applying-CurrentYr12/interstateAdmissions.html.
CERTIFICATE, DIPLOMA OR DEGREE?
In Australia we have a national system of qualifications called the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). Depending on their education level, secondary students can apply for the following qualifications from the framework. These qualifications can differ in length, content and competitiveness as shown.
- Bachelors Degree: Usually 3-5 years full-time; theoretical; entry is usually competitive.
- Associate degree/Advanced diploma: Usually 2 years full-time; combination of theory and practice; range from not competitive to very competitive, depending on the topic.
- Diploma: Can be 1-2 years full-time; tend to be practical with some theory; range from not competitive to very competitive, depending on the topic.
- Certificates I, II, III, IV: 1 month - 1 year full-time; usually very practical; usually not competitive.

The different levels of qualifications on the AQF are a bit like a ladder. You can use one level to help you gain entry to a higher level of study in the future depending on your results and the rules of the institution to which you wish to gain entry. To decide on the best level of qualification for you, consider:
- the study/training requirements of your occupational goal
- your previous study results
- whether you are a hands-on (practical) or theory person
- the cost of the course + the length of time you are prepared to study.
For more information visit http://www.aqf.edu.au/.

Mrs Jeanette Maxwell
Careers/RTO Manager
St. Francis College Presents:

hairspray

The Broadway Musical

Based on the New Line Cinema film written and directed by John Waters

8th - 9th - 10th May
7pm - 7pm - 2pm & 7pm

San Damiano Hall

Tickets on sale at:
www.trybooking.com/EGHK

and at the Office
(07) 34894800

By arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd, Exclusive agent for music Theatre International (NY)
TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Tickets for the musical can be purchased through
the College website,
at the office or from
www.trybooking.com/EGHK

Until the end of term, type in the code
musicalfam
to receive a 20% discount to the
Friday night and two Saturday shows.

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*Code is valid until the 5th April, 2014 (end of Term 1), so get in quick!*

For best value, get a group of ten friends and family together
to get $16 tickets for those who book by the end of Term 1.