



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Reflection: The Key to Improvement

The last fortnight has seen the College remain upon its path of reflection as we seek to continually refine our practices to improve outcomes for our students. Every five years, the College is required to undergo Accreditation by the Non-State School's Accreditation Board (NSSAB). 2020 sees Redeemer being particularly lucky as we are undergoing two separate accreditation events this year.

The first accreditation event ratifies the provisional accreditation that was granted to the Senior Secondary School (yr 11 and 12) in September of 2018. Representatives from NSSAB will visit the College in September to ensure that the necessary processes, products and procedures are in place so that a quality Senior Secondary education can be offered here at Redeemer. I welcome this process and the opportunity it brings to reflect on how far we have come in the last two years.

The second event is set to occur in November when we undergo Cyclical Accreditation. This event occurs on a 5-year cycle and processes across the entire College will be examined to ensure compliance with set standards. We are working hard behind the scenes collating evidence to confirm compliance before our validation meeting in November. While these events do not impact you directly, what they do do, is give you confidence that the College is working within the parameters set out by both Australian Curriculum and Australian Legislation.



If you have not yet 'liked' our Facebook page, I invite you to do so now. We share great examples of student learning and engagement on this platform. It forms a great snapshot of all that the College embodies. Invite your friends and family to 'like' the page so that we can increase its reach and grow our digital community. If you haven't had a look for a while, I urge you do so. There is some beautiful content here that is sure to make you smile!

Have a great fortnight!

Sandra Wass
Principal

REMINDER: Set-up for our Athletics Carnival will commence from 7.00am tomorrow morning and again at 7.00am on Friday morning.

If you are available to help with setting up, whilst complying with COVID guidelines, we would greatly appreciate your assistance.

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Upcoming Events

27 August 2020

- Interhouse Athletics Day
Age 13 - 18 7.00am Set Up
8:50am Age 10-18
200m & 800m Events

28 August 2020

- Interhouse Athletics Day
Ages 5 - 12
Whole College P - 12
Period 5 & 6
- Newsletter

31 August 2020

- PFC Meeting
- Ag Science Excursion -
Richard Fairley Herb Farm

3 September 2020

- FCFD - Year 5 Providing
- Father's Night - Prep
- PC Cricket Trials
13-15 Years

7 September 2020

- Speaking Competition
- Science Expo P-6

11 September 2020

- RLCB Playgroup 8.45am -
10.15am
- Newsletter
- Year 12 Formal

14 September 2020

- Prep Open Trial Day
11.30am - 12.30pm
- P-12 Exhibition Night
6.00pm - 8.00pm

15 September 2020

- ICAS English

16 September 2020

- Math Olympiad

17 September 2020

- Primary Public Speaking
Competition Final
Prospect Creek State
School

18 September 2020

- Christian Schools League
Sports Day, Gladstone
- Last day of Term 3

SECONDARY NEWS

Students, parents and even staff are slowly counting down the days until the end of Term 3. I have been working a lot with students (and even some parents and staff) over the past weeks to help them muster up that last bit of patience to see it through to the end of term. What makes Term 3 so difficult? There is the same amount of learning, assessment and events. As a teacher with a lot of experience over different educational systems, inside and outside of Queensland, without a doubt, Term 3 has always been the most important one. It is the toughest, the most draining, the one you HAD to win. Some of the conversations are easier than others, just a little encouragement to push through to the end; some need a bit more planning and help, strategies and support put in place to help each student get across the finish line.

We see patience shown (or sometimes not shown) a lot in The Bible. We see Jesus showing patience; patience when his disciples were impatient, when those around him did not understand or even listen to Him, patience throughout the days leading up to his death. But we see his patience even more, everyday, as He waits for us. Waits for us to come to Him in repentance for when we grow apart. Patience for us to thank him for things that He gives to us daily. Waiting, always there ready to offer His grace and bring us back to a right relationship with Him. God waits with patience, waiting for the time when we will all be reunited in Christ. It makes the patience we must endure to see out this term seem a whole lot more insignificant.

With the easing of some restrictions, we will host our athletics carnivals on Thursday and Friday this week. Students are reminded to wear their sports uniform and their school hats. Students are encouraged to bring house colours to complement their house spirit and enthusiasm. Our extracurricular groups have been working well and continue to grow and develop. It has been wonderful to see our students take up the opportunity to train for other upcoming sporting events later this term, such as the Christian School's League, hosted by Trinity Christian College in Gladstone.

Finally, best of luck to our Year 12 students as they begin the process of external exam preparation through mock exams over the next three weeks. This is the first time we at Redeemer will have hosted this, so it will be a learning experience for everyone involved.

Good luck!

Mr Steven Lake
Deputy Principal



Year 6 –7 Transition Day

Our Year 6 –7 Transition Day was held this week with our Year 6 students helping our Year 8 students with their Toy Design Assessment. The students designed and trialled catapults to learn how elastic potential energy transforms into kinetic energy. Great team work and problem solving skills were explored together. Welcome Year 6s to Redeemer Science!



Prayer Families

TERM 3

Week 8

- Schwerin
- Siegmeier
- Smith
- Sorrensen
-

Week 9

- Stevens
- Stevens
- Thornton & Gill
-

Birthday Blessings

The College Community would like to wish the following students a happy and blessed birthday.

August

- 28 Noah Barron
- 28 Abigail Wilshaw
- 29 Skylar Bulten
- 29 Joshua Dales
- 30 Aiden Bailey
- 30 Keeley Nielsen
- 31 McKenna Brosnan

September

- 1 Mitchell Salmon
- 4 Bronte Cochrane

Prep

God has created so many beautiful and amazing things, and of course each and every one of our beautiful Prep children. We have been learning about the first book in the Bible Genesis, and last week we pretended to be some of God's creations from the Garden of Eden.



With COVID restrictions in place, our PFC have unfortunately not been able to host any on-site fundraising activities this year. With this in mind, we encourage our College families to support our Father's Day Raffle with some amazing prizes up for grabs.

Aegir Apparel is a locally owned business who specialises in custom designed sublimated clothing and apparel and is 100% Australian made.

A very big thank you to local Norwex distributor Penny Clapham for donating our third prize.

Our raffle will be drawn on 4 September 2020 with tickets \$5/each available from the College office.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN COLLEGE, BILOELA

Father's Day



Raffle

1st Prize	\$800 BCF Voucher
2nd Prize	\$200 Aegir Apparel Voucher
3rd Prize	Norwex Car Cleaning Kit

TICKETS: \$5 / EACH

RAFFLE DRAWN 4 SEPTEMBER 2020

Ticket books will be sent home with each College family.
Additional tickets can be purchased from the College Office.

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RLCB Interhouse Athletics Carnival

Thursday 27 and Friday 28 August

Our annual Interhouse Athletics competition between Grevillea and Acacia, which is scheduled for Thursday 27th and Friday 28th August, is almost here.

Redeemer operates their Interhouse Athletics Carnival in “single gender Year born” groups over two consecutive days. *Eg All girls born in 2008 regardless of their class level will compete together.*

The **Thursday program** consists of :-

- Age 13 DOB 2007 – Age 18 DOB 2002 - Field Events
- Age 10 DOB 2010 – Age 18 DOB 2002 - 200m and 800m 8:50am

The **Friday program** consists of :-

- Age 5 DOB 2015 – Age 12 DOB 2008 - Field Events
- Age 5 DOB 2015 – Age 18 DOB 2002 - Sprints

Presentations for both days will be held after Relays on Friday.

Uniform requirements for our Interhouse Carnival are as follows: -

- Students wear their plain red or yellow polo shirts with the regular school sports shorts.
- Students who wish to wear skins must wear sports shorts over the skins.
- Students are to wear the normal school socks. (If extra padding is required sports socks can be worn under the school socks)
- Alternative sports shoes may be worn for the entire day.
- Girls may wear red or yellow hair accessories.
- No hair colouring is permitted.
- Regular school hats (Formal or Bucket) are essential.

Parents are welcome to attend these events; however, you will be required to adhere to a set of guidelines which are fast becoming the new normal and which you will be familiar with by this point.

1. Contact Information

Parents will be required to sign in, providing your name, phone number, email address and date and time of arrival. You must answer screening questions clarifying that you are well, do not have an active case of COVID-19, have not returned from overseas or a declared hotspot in the last 14 days or been in close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case. This information will be kept for 56 days.

2. Sanitation

Parents will be expected to wash your hands and use sanitiser regularly. The College will ensure that frequently touched areas and surfaces will be cleaned very regularly.

3. Physical Distancing

The space available to us means that we fulfil occupant density requirements. Parents are, however, required to maintain physical distancing of 1.5m between all other persons who are not part of their household unit. For this reason, parents are encouraged to bring their own chairs to the event so that you can make use of the vast area available to us around the oval. In past years, all sprint events have been observed from the terraced areas. This year, parents can use this area in addition to the inside of the oval to ensure that adequate space is available for social distancing. You may be directed by College staff to observe from specific areas.

The document **COVID Safe School Events** released by the Queensland Government has informed the protocols in place for this event. I am excited that we can hold these carnivals and appreciate your support in adhering with the guidelines outlined above so that we can all remain safe.

Agricultural Science

We extend a very big Thank You to the Moura Cotton Gin for facilitating a visit by our Year 9 and 10 Agricultural Science students. It was an excellent experience and a great learning opportunity for the students.



VIP-NET JR CAMP

GIANT SIZED PROBLEMS

18-19TH SEPTEMBER 2020

VIP-NET JR CAMP IS BACK AGAIN

Get ready for 2 days of fun together with kids from CQ! This year we'll explore the power of God through the Story of David, plus heaps of games, food, small groups, and new friendships! WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!!!

OPEN TO GRADES 4-6

Where: Pelican Point Campsite, Callide Dam

Cost: \$55 per person

for full details visit:

www.ynet.org.au/vip-net-jr



FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

Uniform Shop

Socks – In 2021 the white Secondary socks will be compulsory across the College, from Prep to Year 12. 2020 is a transition year where both the blue and white socks can be worn. Please ensure you have your white socks ready for next year. If you are looking at taking advantage of a bargain, all blue socks have been discounted to \$2 a pair! Get in quick, minimal stock remaining!

Secondary Boys Formal Shirts – The uniform shop now stocks bigger sizes in the boys Secondary formal shirts.

College Fees

Thank you to our wonderful families who paid their Term 3 fees by the due date and to the families who are maintaining their payment plans. College Fees were due for payment **Friday 14th August**. Any outstanding fees can be paid using internet banking, credit card, Parent Lounge, cash or cheque. Thank you for your commitment to the College and the education of your students.

Book Packs

Planning for 2021 Book Packs is underway. Look out for individual class Book Lists to be sent home soon.

School Leavers Tax File Number

The Australian Taxation Office would like to encourage school leavers to apply for a tax file number (TFN) while still attending school. A TFN is essential for their employment, deferring university fees or applying for Centrelink benefits. Please watch this video <http://tv.ato.gov.au/ato-tv/media?v=bd1bdiubkctq5u> . Don't miss out on money you've earned, apply for a Tax File Number (TFN) before you start working. Go to <https://ato.gov.au/getTFN> today.

Blue Cards

Changes to the blue card laws take effect on 31 August 2020. After this date you must have a valid blue card **BEFORE** you can volunteer with kids.



DID YOU KNOW?

History of the arts room. On 10th July 1980, McSweeney and Co. advised the school that an agreement had been reached between Mr Brian Giles and Mr Ted Rosenblatt regarding a steel shed situated beside the Barber shop in Callide Street. It was agreed that the shed would be removed by congregational members. The letter also stated "Agreement has been reached that the shed is valued at \$500 for removal purposes and Mr Giles is prepared to donate the value of the shed to your church." In 2003, the 'shed' was the Year Seven Classroom. In 2008 it became the Arts Room.

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