



From the Leadership Team

Dear Parents, Students, Staff, Past Students, Past Staff and Community,

It has been a busy fortnight beginning with the Semi-Formal on Friday 22 February. The girls and their partners were magnificent in both their behaviour and attire on this evening. Following two days of weather concern, the night finally developed as calm and starry and the event was enjoyed by all. Thank you to Mrs Louisa Makepeace and Mrs Anna Dore for their organisation and to the teachers who attended. Last Saturday was the first College working bee for the year. Thank you so much to the small army of helpers who attended and were involved in the landscaping of the new buildings. This week we celebrated the Interschool College Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to all participants in this competition and to those who joined in cheering our swimmers on. As a school community we have enjoyed viewing the photos that have been taken of these exciting events.

At College Assembly we hosted a group of special guests who have worked diligently to achieve their goals. As 2018 year 12 students they not only attained excellent results, but as a consequence, have taken up exciting opportunities at university or in the workplace. Congratulations to the following:

Lauren Brooks studying a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) at QUT, Loren Toten a Bachelor of International Studies at UQ, Tayla Heath a Bachelor of Veterinary Technology at UQ, Christina Zerafa a Bachelor of Arts at UQ, Briana Barron a Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Paramedical Science at QUT, Madison Flynn a Bachelor

of Business Management/Bachelor of International Hotel and Tourism Management at UQ, Brooke Jay a Bachelor of Nursing at QUT and Chloe O'Herlihy a Bachelor of Accounting and Finance at ACU.

Unfortunately some young women had already commenced their studies and were unable to join on the morning. Congratulations to: Sophia Nicholas who is studying a Bachelor of Physiotherapy at ACU, Isabella Grasic a Bachelor of Physiotherapy at Griffith, Stefanie Hazlewood a Bachelor of Business Management/Bachelor of Arts at UQ, Lucy Quach a Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours) at UQ, Mia Papaconstantinou a Bachelor of International Tourism and Hotel Management at Griffith, Rosalie Champniss a Bachelor of Psychological Science at Griffith, Jaidyn Tilt MacSporran a Bachelor of Psychological Science at Griffith and Madeleine Powell who has joined the defence force.

Many of our higher achieving students not only showed a strong focus on academic excellence, but were the driving force within the student leadership team, and their performance was not only limited to the classroom, but across our sport, arts and community service pillars. As a College, and especially in this week where we



acknowledge International Women's Day, we are very proud of these San Sisters.

Wednesday marked the beginning of Lent. In a tradition dating back to the fourth century, Pope Francis spent Ash Wednesday at the Basilica of Santa Sabina, currently the worldwide headquarters of the Dominican Order of Preachers. He chose an ecological theme for his annual Lenten message, "depicting the Christian call to spiritual conversion against the backdrop of the environment". In 2015, Pope Francis became the first pope in history to devote an entire encyclical letter to the care for the environment with the publication of *Laudato Si*, urging Christians to become more ecologically aware. The environment at the College has recently been beautified by a group of dedicated parents and staff. Whilst we are grateful for their efforts, we are reminded this Lent of our responsibility to care for all creation that is within our reach.

God's blessing for the week ahead,

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Religious Life of the School

Why does the Pope celebrate Ash Wednesday Mass at Santa Sabina?

In a tradition dating back to the fourth century, the Pope last week spent Ash Wednesday at the Basilica of Santa Sabina, the worldwide headquarters of the Order of Preachers.

After the legalization of Christianity in 313, the faithful began a custom of processing through the streets of Rome to visit various churches and to honor the holy martyrs who were often buried there. Singing hymns and praying a Litany of the Saints, they would often be joined by the Bishop of Rome. During his pontificate, Saint Gregory the Great established the order of churches to be visited, and decided the custom should be a Lenten practice — a spiritual pilgrimage with Jesus and the saints.

Why Santa Sabina was chosen as the first church to be visited is not entirely known. Some say it's because Saint Gregory fell in love with the church when he found refuge there during the plague. Others believe it is because of Santa Sabina's location on Aventine Hill. Anyone wishing to visit the church must make a steep climb, symbolic of the climb Christ made to Golgotha and his crucifixion. Still, others think it is because of the church's historical significance.

Santa Sabina is one of the "house churches" in Rome. During the early persecutions of the Church, Christians would secretly gather in the homes of the faithful to worship. One of these homes belonged to a woman named Sabina, who was martyred in 125. Between 422-432, a basilica was built on the site of Saint Sabina's home and named in her

honor. Her relics remain there to this day, along with those of Saint Alexander, Saint Eventius and Saint Theodulus.

Although it has undergone a number of renovations over the years, Santa Sabina takes great pride in the fact that it still uses the original doors of the church, which are made of cyprus wood and carved with scenes from the Old and New Testaments, including one of the earliest depictions of Christ's crucifixion.

In 1218, Santa Sabina was given to the Dominicans by Pope Honorius III, two years after he approved the foundation of the Order of Preachers. Since then, it has served as the generalate and headquarters of the Master of the Order of Preachers and the Dominican curia.

For nearly 100 years the Pope joined the Dominicans at Santa Sabina for Mass on Ash Wednesday, until the papacy moved to Avignon in 1309. Thankfully, Pope Leo XIII revived the tradition of starting Lent at Santa Sabina, and it has been the normal custom ever since.

Today that custom begins with a short prayer at the Basilica of Sant' Anselmo, the international headquarters of the Benedictines. From there, the Pope, the Benedictines, the Dominicans and all present process up the hill while chanting the Litany of the Saints. Once they arrive at Santa Sabina, the Pope offers Mass. After the homily, he blesses the ashes, which are then sprinkled on his head by the Titular Cardinal of Santa Sabina. The Pope then distributes ashes to the cardinals, Dominicans, Benedictines and members of the faithful.

Since the Dominicans were founded to reconcile those who had fallen away from the faith, the custom is an important

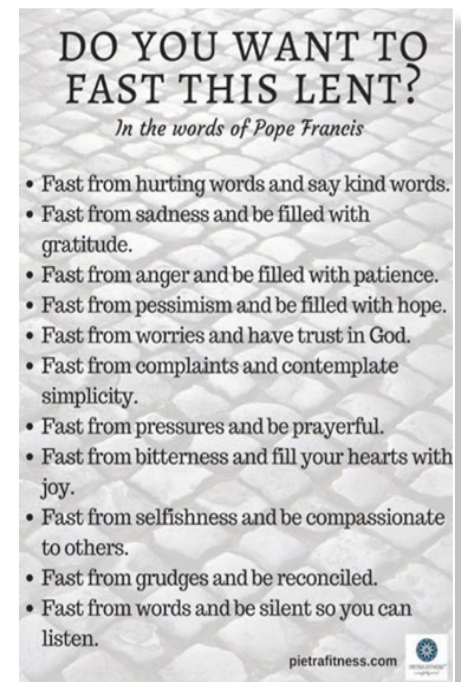
one. It reminds all of us that we are to be preachers of mercy, especially during the season of Lent.

(Taken from wop.org)

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A message from the Liturgy Captain...



Every year millions of Christians around the world begin the Easter season by celebrating Lent. Lent is a period of 40 days, not including Sundays, that runs from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday, the day before Easter. The 40 days of Lent are to commemorate the 40 days that Jesus fasted in the wilderness. Lent is a time when we can make a sacrifice to remember when Jesus was in the desert with nothing to eat or drink. Traditionally, Christians used to fast, meaning they were allowed to have one full meal a day, with two small snacks. However today, we



try to give up certain things that we like or even bad habits. During this time, we are also called to be generous by giving alms and doing works of charity. We can be loving to our parents, our family and friends and especially those we do not always get along with.

So, this whole season began on Wednesday. This is when we received the sign of the cross on our foreheads. The ashes are traditionally made from the burned palms of last year's Palm Sunday. They symbolise repentance, humility and they are a sign of mortality.

Marianne Salame
Liturgy Captain

A message from the Social Justice Captain...

I cannot wait to work with all of you who have a passion to create awareness and bring justice and light to situations in need of change!

So as many of you know, Project Compassion fundraising will be in full swing from this week. I cannot wait for everyone to get involved in all the fundraising activities we have planned in the weeks to come for this worthiest cause. On Monday, the girls from the Social Justice Committee stayed back after school to cook all the pancakes that were sold on Shrove Tuesday. Many thanks to all of the staff who also gave of their time to supervise us. As well, some

girls volunteered to sell the pancakes. We raised around \$200 which is a wonderful kick start to our fundraising campaign.

Another fundraising opportunity is on Friday when we will be selling purple ribbons in recognition of International Women's Day. Many thanks to our student sellers who will be in homerooms on Friday morning to sell these ribbons for a gold coin donation. Messages surrounding the different treatment of women around the world will also be played over the loud speaker at first break, so listen up!

The start of Social Justice events also has begun this week, with San Sisto having been invited to attend Iona College for their Justice and Mission Jam Expo, which occurred on Tuesday afternoon. Many schools from across Brisbane came together and showcased social justice initiatives within their colleges. Every school set up their own individual stalls, with us seeing what other schools promote and whether the other schools use the same or different ways of promoting social justice and fundraising. Many thanks to our staff and students who attended this event and who are now brimming with ideas and initiatives. Stay tuned for these in the coming weeks.

If you are someone who sparks interest into possibly attending such Justice

events as Iona's Mission Jam Expo, then you will be interested in being a part of our College's Social Justice Committee.

For those who would like to get involved in social justice at our College, then please consider joining the Social Justice Committee. The Social Justice Committee is a group of students throughout all year levels who come together on Wednesdays in the first break to talk about upcoming fundraising events and future ideas to raise awareness for social justice issues. The group is also a great way to meet new people that share your passion for solving injustice. We'd love to see you at our next meeting in DE1.

The goal for this year's Committee, is to achieve our success in raising awareness in more of a group corroboration. With this, I mean to make sure that those who are in the Committee are more involved in the actual production of fundraisers, justice events, as well as what we inform the rest of the College in the assemblies. In addition, we will be doing more activities, such as creating videos that create awareness for a specific social issue and brainstorming new ideas that can catch people's eye on promoting the message that performing service not only brings joy for those in need, but be rewarding for you as well.

Amy Gould
Social Justice Captain



College Tour
Thursday 14 March
from 9 am – 10.30 am
[**Register Here**](#)

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Café Caterina

Volunteers Needed Each Thursday

We still have some spaces on our roster for helpers on Thursdays. Contact Mrs Kupper on 3900 9842 to confirm your availability.

Lent Has Commenced

Check out our Lent menu which includes a range of vegetable and seafood options for the girls to try each Friday.

Café Roster:

11 — 15 March

Monday 11 March

- Chini Whitelegg
- Armela Rich

Tuesday 12 March

- Tracey Smith
- Natasha Marriott

Wednesday 13 March

- Antonia Tomaden
- Karen Ward

Thursday 14 March

- Claire Christensen

Friday 15 March

- Danyele Goodwin
- Louise McAulty

Mrs Margaret Kupper

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Upcoming Events

Term 1

7 Mar	Inter-school Swimming Carnival	From 9.00 am	College Board Meeting 7.00 pm — 8.00 pm
8 Mar	Year 7 Immunisations		Administration Building
	College Dance 7.00 — 10.00 pm	21 Mar	St Mary's College Japan Visit
	PCYC	22 Mar	Start of Year 12 Exam Block
12 Mar	Year 10 - Eyes Open Social Media Session 3	25 Mar	Start of Year 11 Exam Block
13 Mar	Year 10 Retreat	27 Mar	Community Mass 8.00 am — 8.30 am
14 Mar	College Tour 9.00 — 10.30 am Administration Building To register, click here	29 March	Year 8 Retreat
15 Mar	Cuppa Catch-up 8.00 — 9.00 am Caesarini Building Dinning Room Come to the Administration Building to sign-in	30 Mar	Co-curricular Music Games Night
18 Mar	Year 12 PVM Market Day	30 Mar	Co-curricular Music Workshop
19 Mar	College Assembly	4 Apr	Inter-house Cross Country
		5 Apr	Last Day of Term 1
		19 Apr	Good Friday
		21 Apr	Easter Sunday
		22 Apr	Easter Monday
		23 Apr	Term 2 Commences
		26 Apr	Year 12 Formal



Study Tips With Mrs Doré

Setting Up Your Space at Home

The start of a year is a good time to reassess the space where you work at home. It is best to work in whatever space has the least amount of distractions. Here are some points to consider:

1. Natural lighting is best, but if not possible then a good strong bulb in your room and a bright desk lamp is essential. What is the lighting like in your study area?
2. Fresh air and oxygen to the brain helps keep you mentally alert. What is the ventilation and air quality like in your study area?
3. Your work space sets the tone for the way you approach your study. Is your desk large enough? What is your working space or desk like?
4. The chair you use should be comfortable (but not so comfy you fall asleep) and adjustable to reduce strain on your neck and shoulders. What is your chair like?
5. When you are trying to memorise things, quiet is essential. No music (unless it is certain types of classical like Baroque). How effectively can you keep your room quiet?
6. Storage is essential to help you



keep your notes organised and sorted. Shelves, a filing cabinet, drawers. What is the storage like in your room?

7. It is important to keep your study area uncluttered and organised. A large pin board for notices and a calendar are useful. How organised is your study area?
8. How many distractions do you have in your room? Computer, phone etc? It is always a good idea to switch off or remove distractions before you start work. If you have to use your laptop make a conscious effort to not use personal technology during times when you are doing

schoolwork. How well do you cope with the distractions in your room?

To learn more about setting up an effective work area at home (including the effect the colour of your room has on your ability to study and how to set up your room ergonomically) visit the Home Study Environment unit of [w studyskillshandbook.com.au](http://studyskillshandbook.com.au)

Our school's subscription details to [w studyskillshandbook.com.au](http://studyskillshandbook.com.au) are —

- Username: forsansistoonly
- Password: 29results

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Cuppa Catch-up Event

A little cup of friendship certainly goes a long way to build community

At San Sisto College, we understand that parents, carers and families are the first and most important influencers in their daughter's lives. It is these people who instill the attitudes and values

that will support our students as young people to engage with their education and contribute to their communities — both locally and globally.

Each year the College invites parents to a Cuppa Catch-up event. College visitors get the opportunity to meet the College Leadership Team, School Co-ordinators and other members of staff

over light refreshments. These events pave the way for closer relationships within the San Sisto community. Everyone is welcome!

Our next event is on Friday 15 March from 8.00 am.

Please email the College to RSVP: [e scarina@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:scarina@bne.catholic.edu.au)

Parenting Page

Talking to your kids about bullying

Conversations are critical to ensuring your child feels safe at school. You can have a positive influence on your child's social, emotional and academic development by talking with them and being engaged in their education.

While conflict is a natural part of growing up and learning how to socialise, bullying can have longterm effects on the wellbeing of your child.

What are the common signs that my child is being bullied?

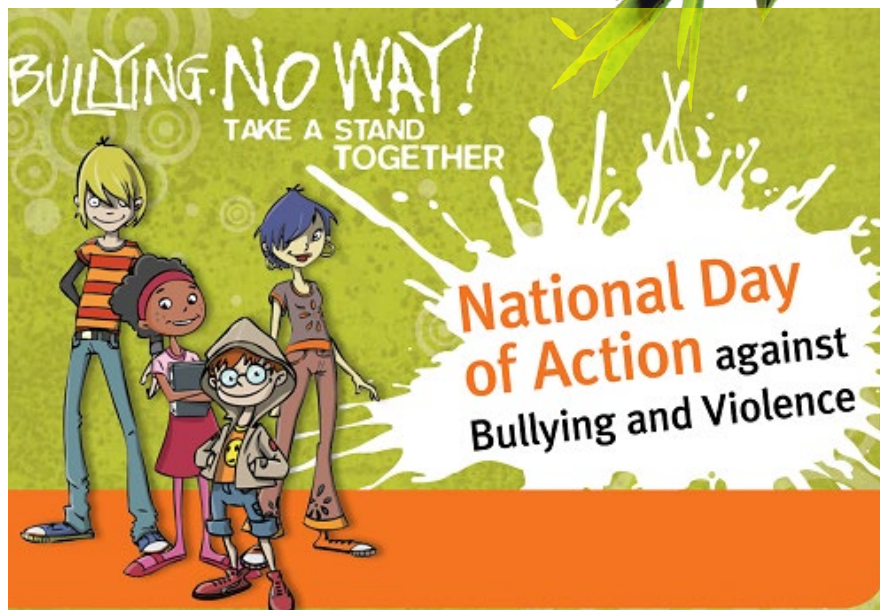
Knowing whether your child is being bullied is sometimes hard to work out. Some common indicators to look out for could include:

- unexplained crying, moodiness or anger
- not wanting to go to school
- less social contact with friends
- frequent disagreements with you or their siblings
- unexplained missing personal property
- a decline in the quality of their school work.

How should I talk to my child about bullying?

If you think your child is being bullied, the most important thing to do is to talk to them about it. Try to:

- stay calm and let them know you're happy they've told you
- listen to them and tell them you believe them
- explain that it's not their fault and it's never ok to be bullied



- ask them what they want you to do
- let them know you are there to help them practise responsible ways to respond to bullying.

You may also like to contact your school to ensure teachers know about the situation and find out if anything is being done to address it.

There is help available

There is also a range of resources out there to help you and your child deal with bullying, including:

[Safe Schools Hub](#)

Through the [Safe Schools Hub](#), the Australian Government is empowering parents with information and advice on how families can support a safe school culture and manage problems when they arise.

The [Safe Schools Hub](#) for Parents provides you with information and resources that you may find useful in helping to make your child's school experience a positive and happy one. On the Hub you will find links to many of the websites listed below.

[Bullying No Way](#)

[Bullying. No Way!](#) has a dedicated parents portal providing useful information for parents and carers specifically about bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence in schools.

[Cybersmart](#)

[Cybersmart](#) is a national cybersafety and cybersecurity education programme managed by the Australian Communications and Media Authority, as part of the Australian Government's commitment to online safety.

[Department of Communications](#)

[The Australian Government Department of Communications](#) provides links to Australian Government measures to improve online security and fraud awareness and includes information about online safety for children.

[Think U Know](#)

[ThinkUKnow](#) is an Internet safety programme delivering interactive training to parents, carers and teachers.

[eheadspace](#)

[eheadspace](#) is a confidential, free and



secure space where young people 12 - 25 or their family can chat, email or speak on the phone with a qualified youth mental health professional.

Mychild

Mychild.gov.au is Australia's online child care portal. The site also has information and links to other useful websites about children's health and wellbeing, parenting and family support services.

Raising Children

The Raising Children network provides information that can help parents with the day-to-day decisions of raising children, and to also help parents and

carers look after their own needs.

Parents Helpline

Parentline is a confidential telephone counselling service providing professional counselling and support for parents and those who care for children.

Bulling No Way

The National Day of Action against Bullying is an important day in the College calendar and a chance for us to join with other schools across Australia to say "Bullying No Way".

We are proud to be joining the nationwide movement on Friday 15 March .There will be a pledge wall where students will be encouraged to sign their name on a

piece of orange card .

The College will be awash with orange decorations and in Ceclia Square at 1st break their will be orange ice blocks and wristbands for sale for \$1.

Bullying has no place at San Sisto and we all have a role to play in this. Our College Anti Bullying Policy can be found on the portal under Policies .

Please see the Parent Portal under Student Wellbeing for a range of resources for parents. The Bullying No Way website also has a wide range of resources .

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QATSIF

As a young Indigenous woman, I am honoured to be part of the new round 10 QATSIF (Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation) Recipients for 2019. I understand that my dedication to schooling has allowed me to receive this significant scholarship to assist with gaining my QCE. It will allow me to be an active member at San Sisto College as well as contributing to my wider community. This pushes me to strive for the very best in everything because I know my hard work can impact other Indigenous students to do the same. I am passionate about showing our society that Aboriginal people are intelligent, talented and proud and I will continue to show others that doing your best and taking every opportunity is very rewarding. Some of the highlights for myself experiencing the celebration at USQ in Springfield was knowing that I was a part of a huge 1416 new selected students who have high success rates in their schools. I also got to try Emu, which was part of



the array of bush tucker on offer for our lunch. I'm excited for the future of our Indigenous students and I am glad to be part of this wonderful educational journey.

Shayli Cochrane
Dominic House Captain 2019





Spirit of San Sisto Award

Congratulations, Brooke Smith.

This award is given to girls who demonstrate a high standard of commitment to a Habit of Spirit. The Habits of Spirit are ways in which we live out the gospel, and ways which have been modelled for us by St Dominic and the many Dominicans who have come after him.



8

March

International Women's Day



Often we leave our appreciation unspoken!
 On Friday, we say Happy International Women's Day!!

VET News

Congratulations, Mikayla

Congratulations to Year 12 student Mikayla Mitchell for her completion of a Certificate II in Retail, as an additional qualification to her Year 12 study program.

Mikayla completed her school-based

traineeship at McDonald's at Mt Gravatt during Year 11. She completed most of the training outside of school hours.

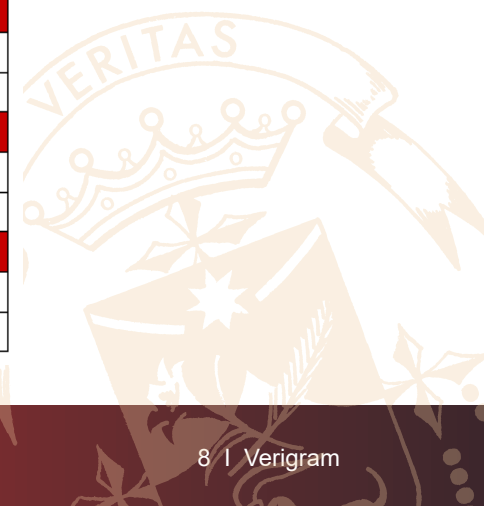
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CaSSSA Sport Results

Team	San Sisto	Opposition	Player of the Week
Volleyball			
Open B (Stocker)	SSC 3-65	MSM 0-55	Heidi Gibbs
Inter A (Corley)	SSC 0-26	MSM 3-65	Katie Brooks
Inter C2 (Ferraioli)	SSC 3-65	MMC 0-44	Kitty Addison
Inter C3 (Nassar)	SSC 2-62	MTA 1-59	Jasmine Berrios
AFL			
Senior A (Giffen)	SSC	BYE	
Indoor Cricket			
Open South (Meyer)	SSC 114	OLC 56	Hannah Pratt
Junior South (Dore)	SSC 85	BRI 91	Laura Wheatley
Touch			
Junior B (Smith)	SSC 5	LHC 2	Lucy Jolly-Perrett
Junior E (Saltmarsh)	SSC 9	LOR 5	Sophie Skinner
Tennis			
Junior B	SSC 30	SRC 19	Tess Quinton
Junior D	SSC 11	STU 30	Kate Dinte





Philosophy in the Classroom

8.5 Philosophy have been developing their skill of building on each other's ideas when participating in a community of inquiry (discussion). This week's inquiry centred around the ethics of science. Recognising that they get lost in the complexity of discussion topics—often wanting to jump back and forth between ideas over the 60 minutes—we decided to map our thinking on the board. The range of topics discussed (such as, experiments as form of creativity, social responsibilities, eugenics, and science as a weapon) combined with a depth of this inquiry was phenomenal. Congratulations 8.5, your efforts have set the bar very high



for our continuing exploration of ideas and life-long skill development.

Ms Gabe Lang

Geography and Religious Education

Teacher

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2019 Next Step Survey

The Queensland Government is conducting its annual statewide survey of all students who completed Year 12 in 2018. The Next Step survey is a brief, confidential survey that gains a comprehensive picture of the employment, study and life choices made by Queensland school completers in the year after they finish Year 12.

Next Step is a statewide post-school destination survey of all students who completed Year 12 last year in Queensland.

Insights gained from Next Step assists schools to review and plan their services for students, and school system personnel to evaluate education policies as they affect the transition from school to further study and employment.

Between March and June, all our

students who completed Year 12 last year can expect to receive instructions to complete a web-based survey or a telephone call from the Queensland Government Statistician's Office. Please encourage them to take part. If their contact details have changed, please assist the interviewer with their updated details or forward the survey to their new address so they can participate.

Thank you for your support of the Next Step survey in 2019.

Further information on Next Step is available online at [w qld.gov.au/nextstep](http://w.qld.gov.au/nextstep) or on toll free telephone 1800 068 587.

College Dance

Glow in the Dark

On Friday 8 March, San Sisto College is holding the first of our College dances for 2019 with a Glow in the Dark theme.

Date: Friday 8 March

Location: Carindale PCYC
27 Narracott Street, Carina

Time: 7 pm until 10 pm

Student ID is required on entry.

Dance entry is \$10.

Come in your best glow in the dark outfit!

College Captain Introduction

In this edition we interviewed our Liturgy Captain, Marianne Salame for this first time for 2019.

Marianne Salame

What made you decide to run for a student leader position?

One of the many reasons I decided to run for a leadership position is to give back to this amazing school full of countless rewarding opportunities. I hoped to establish a stronger sense of community, school pride and appreciation within the student body. I also wanted to ensure that student opinion is considered while making important decisions made at school.

What does being a leader mean to you?

To me, a leadership role is more than a badge or a fancy title but a chance to make a positive impact on younger students and to propose innovative ideas.

What would you say to any girls who are thinking of running for a leadership position?

I say go for it. You never know what could come out from it and it's a great opportunity to develop and strengthen your leadership skills.

How vital do you see the role as a student leader in 2019?

I believe that being a liturgy captain possesses high levels of importance. As a Catholic Christian, but more importantly as a student leader, I have a duty to continue Jesus' mission in serving the



common good of the community and to make his message relatable to young women today.

What are you looking forward to most in your role?

I mostly look forward to Ash Wednesday and fundraising for Caritas as these are times when I get to do collaborative work with the social justice captain and plan fun events for charity fundraising.

How do you plan to impact students and the College community with your role?

I always seek to find connectedness with God and through my role as liturgy captain, I want to help others do so through attending mass, prayer, meditation and reflection.

What are you most looking forward to in 2019?

At the moment, I am looking forward to formal!

What are your hopes and dreams for life after graduating?

After I graduate, I hope to study and become a nurse so that I can continue to make a difference in people's lives. I want to keep bringing joy and comfort to those in need.

What are your passions?

I love music. I am learning to play the violin and I sing every possible chance I get. I am also very blessed to be in a school that offers such a remarkable music program. I am involved in co-curricular music ensembles such as Sienna Strings, Vox Angelicus, Veritas Voices and Seignadour which are an important and enjoyable part of my school experience.

Tell us something that someone normally wouldn't know about you.

I come from the middle east and my dad is a priest.



Student Information and Parent Participation Forms Are Urgently Required

Important Information

During the next week, the eldest student in Years 7 – 12 will receive a parent envelope containing the following:

- Welcome letter from the P&F President.
- Parent Participation Form (orange) which shows activities which can count towards your 15 hours service.
- Service Record card (orange) – to be retained and taken with you to any college service activities.

Please check with your daughter if you have not received this envelope.

These are now overdue and need to be returned to Student Reception urgently.

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Parenting Page

Parenting Ideas Resources



San Sisto College has a school membership with Parenting Ideas which allows us access to the latest parenting information and support for parents.

All the resources can be found on the Parent Portal under the Student Wellbeing tab.

Here you will find articles and EGuides on a range of topics including Friends, Coping and Confidence.

In addition, parents can go directly to the [Parentingideas website](http://parentingideas.com.au), where more Eguides are available for purchase ranging in price from \$15. Look under Resources and click "Find Out More".

During the purchase parents will set-up their own user account so they will always have access to the E-books/guides via their own dashboard.

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Project Compassion

Give Lent 100%

Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. Millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

Read the Caritas profile stories of people who always give 100% for Lent www.lent.caritas.org.au like twelve-year-old Thandolwayo would walk seven kilometres each day, threatened by crocodiles, to collect contaminated water for her family. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported project created access to clean water helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope

[Click here to donate today!](http://www.lent.caritas.org.au)

Rose Retail Centre

Student ID Cards

Do you know you can use your student ID card to purchase items over the counter at the Rose Retail Centre? It is a simple tap and go system to ensure you get your items quickly.

Don't forget you need to re-link your Flexischool account with your daughter's 2019 Student ID, (this is required at the start of each year).

All online Flexischools orders are subject to a delivery date and in future, the orders will only be able to be collected at the date and time specified on the order.

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Habits of Mind and Spirit

Ask your daughter how she has used these habits during the week.

Habit of Mind

Thinking About Thinking



Habit of Spirit

Living Hopefully



Our Community

Villanova Carnival

- Saturday 23 March
- 5 pm until 10 pm
- Sixth Avenue, Coorparoo

You are invited to a night of International Food and Fun at the Villanova Carnival. Experience the tastes of Greece, Japan, America, France, Australia and more.

There are 3 licensed bars and live entertainment too. PLUS stacks of fun for the young and young at heart - Rides, Hot Chips, Footy Throw, Tombola, Lob-A-Choc.....the list goes on.

For more information, visit [f facebook.com/villanovacarnival/](https://www.facebook.com/villanovacarnival/)

St Paul's School Family Fun Day - Sunday 23 June

3 St Paul's Drive Woodridge

9:00am to 10:00am Community Mass – St Paul's School Basketball Court

10:00am to 2:00pm Family Fun Day including opening and blessing of the community hub redevelopment/blessing of tile mosaic/school museum/St Paul's memory booth/cultural dance/cultural food. No RSVP Required.

Current and Ex Staff

"Memories of St Paul's" Social - Saturday 14 Sept

St Paul's School, 3 St Paul's Drive Woodridge from 6:30pm to 9:30pm
Nibbles and refreshments provided

Current and Ex staff are invited to a social night to view reflections about St Paul's gathered at the Family Fun Day and to share their own stories. This is an opportunity for ex staff and current staff to get to know each other.

At this event we will also launch the "History of St Paul's" book which is currently being developed. RSVP: [e pwoodridge@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pwoodridge@bne.catholic.edu.au)

We want to hear from you.

Send us your news and we will include it!

Are you a current or past San Sister with news to tell? Then we want to hear it. Send us your article and we will share it with the wider San Sisto community.

Also, send us feedback on your *Verigram* experience. Positive or negative, all feedback helps us understand what we are doing well, and areas that need improvement.

Send your feedback to Ms Sally Hall, Media and Communications Officer on [e sally.hall@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sally.hall@bne.catholic.edu.au)

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