From the Principal

Prayer
O God, you made our blessed Father Norbert a faithful pastor, and by his powerful preaching you enabled him to call many people to conversion of their ways. Grant that through his merits and prayers, we may teach what he taught, and with your help, imitate his way of life.

We make this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

AMEN.
St Norbert, pray for us

Cardinal Oscar Andres Rodriguez Maradiaga SDB

On Thursday 23 June we were honoured to have His Eminence Oscar Andres Rodriguez Maradiaga SDB who is the current Cardinal Archbishop of Tegucigalpa, Honduras, visit the Queens Park parish including St Joseph School and the College, following the National Catholic Education Conference. He is a member of the Congregation for Catholic Education and has been appointed by Pope Francis to coordinate the eight Cardinals who are overseeing the renewal of the Curia. Prior to becoming a bishop, Cardinal Maradiaga had taught in Salesian schools, subjects ranging from music, chemistry, physics and mathematics as well as moral theology and ecclesiology to trainee priests. St Nobert College was privileged to be selected to host the Cardinal who indicated that the Australian Catholic education sector was at the leading edge in terms of international ranking. He showed a keen interest in the College and was very affirming about the students he met and the range of subjects offered.

Italian Exchange

Four Italian exchange students (3 girls and 1 boy) aged between 16 and 17 years arrived on Monday 27 June. We welcome Pietro Marini (from Florence), Alessandra Monico (from Novara), Paola Caretti (from Arizzano), and Cristina Poliziani (from Rome) who attended school on Tuesday 28 June and are spending the last days of term in Year 11 classes. We extend sincere thanks to our four host families who will have the students with them until 25 August.

Reminders

- Tuesday 19 July, Term Three commences
- Wednesday 20 July, College Photo Day
- Friday 22 July, Magdeburg Day
- Monday 25 July, Closing Date for Music

Scholarships

- Tuesday 26 July, Home Study Day
- Wednesday 27 July, College Photo catch up day
- Friday 29 July, Tongerlo Day
YEARS 9 CAMP
The Year 9 camp is currently underway at the Explorus Learning Centre near Karridale. Our Year 9 students left bright and early on Monday 27 June to embark on a challenging experience of team building, abseiling, caving and rock climbing. Students return on Friday and we look forward to hearing some of their stories in our next Newsletter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Michelle Ronchi for coordinating the Year 9 camp this year.

HUMANITIES TOUR
The Humanities Tour comprising Miss Pisconeri and Dr Runco, together with 13, Year 11 and 12 students left on Wednesday 29 June. This tour will allow students to experience activities and locations relating to History, Geography and Economics. Please keep them in your prayers for an educationally rich experience and a safe return.

STAFF
We welcomed Aaron McGoorty to St Norbert College and the Humanities Department on Monday 13 June. Aaron was a former student of our College. We have a few staff who will not be returning to the College next Term: Mr Rob Woodward is returning home to England to get married and Miss Josie Robinson has taken a position at another school. We wish them both well for their future endeavours and thank them for their commitment during their time at the College. We also extend our best wishes to Miss Georgette Alliss who is taking Long Service Leave for Semester Two. May she come back refreshed for 2017.

NAIDOC celebrations this week also offer a time to reflect and learn about the culture of the first people of Australia; learning about past events and treatment which have affected later generations, leads to an understanding of ongoing challenges too. The NAIDOC celebrations are about the achievements of the current generation and the effort their families and elders have made to share a vibrant and unique culture. The College is proud of its cosmopolitan character which the Norbertine canons and staff have has provided for so consistently. So we look to the future, working to offset past issues and be confident that our students will provide leadership for their generation.

THANK YOU
It is has been my privilege to be welcomed into St Norbert College during Mrs Morey’s time of Long Service Leave and I take this opportunity to thank the Norbertine community, the staff, students and parents of the College for their openness, May the Peace of Christ stay with each of you,

Clement Mulcahy (Principal)

To read more about Cardinal Maradiaga’s visit to the College, read the eRecord article here: http://ow.ly/Gkkz301Muoa

60 YEARS SERVICE
Last Friday evening there was a celebratory Mass and supper honouring Abbot Noyens as he celebrates his Diamond (60th) anniversary as a priest. The actual anniversary is August 15, but Fr Abbot is returning to Tongerlo Abbey in Belgium on July 10. About 120 people attended the Mass representing all aspects of Norbertine ministry in WA. We are always happy to have Abbot Noyens among us here at Queens Park. This was a special tribute to a person who has been coming to WA for over 20 years. He says that added up all the time he has spent here is two years of his life! Ad multos annos, Fr Abbot.

Fr Peter Joseph O Praem
FROM THE DEAN OF STUDIES

EXAM SUPERVISORS

I would like to formally thank and acknowledge the parents and friends who assisted with the supervision of the Year 11 and 12 examinations. We are most grateful to you for giving up your precious time.

Genevieve Belli, Margo McLennan, Bonita Hendricks, Barbara Smith, Coral Dyson, Karen Antico, Arlene Rainford, Honey Manzanares, Natalie Hodges, Wendy Battel, Inoka Ratnasekera, Anna D’Arrigo, Sari Redclift, Lynette Mallard, Gina Ambrosini, David Halliday, Michelle Blogna, Sr Frances Hayes, Barbara Kennedy, Deepa Biju, Sheryl Dabare.

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME EARLY OFFER PROGRAM

The University of Notre Dame introduced the Early Offer Program in 2006 to acknowledge and reward the achievements of outstanding Year 12 students. If you have a predicted ATAR above 90 (or, if applying for Bachelor of Law or Bachelor of Physiotherapy, an predicted ATAR above 93) and have made a significant contribution to church, school and community life, then you should consider applying for the Early Offer. The Early offers are made in September and November. Application Forms are available from Ms Rainford. Applications close on Friday 29 July.

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ACADEMIC DISTINCTIONS

Discussions at Academic Board has resulted in a new point system being introduced to calculate Academic Distinctions in Year 8-10. It takes into consideration the stream that a student is studying. In the past a majority of A grades (with no grades less than a B) in the Semester Reports would result in an Academic Distinction. Points are now calculated using:

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The cut-off to achieve an Academic Distinction using this new point system is 100 points.

COLLEGE ASSEMBLY

Our first College Assembly for Term Three will be held on Tuesday 19 July at 9.00am in the O’Reilly Centre. Parents are most welcome to attend as students who have achieved Academic Distinctions and Ad Omnia Paratus Awards will be presented with their certificates.

REVISION COURSES

Year 11 and 12 students studying ATAR Courses were emailed information on various revision programs happening in the July holidays. Thanks to the Parent Committee, each student will be subsidised $20 per course that they complete. Invoices need to be given to me early next term for the refund. Students are encouraged to enrol as soon as possible as places are limited. Students who have previously enrolled in these courses have been very positive about the improvement in their understanding.

Ms S Rainford (Dean of Studies)
Computer games have become an interest for many, and the holiday period can provide extra opportunities for young people to spend more time in front of computers. At St Norbert College (like other schools) there has been an increase in the number of students who are ‘gamers’ and have attendance issues because of this hobby that has become a negative effect on their education. Below is an article that outlines this modern issue and some signs that gaming has become a problem.

**COMPUTER GAME ADDICTION**

By Dr. Brent Conrad, Clinical Psychologist for TechAddiction

**What is computer game addiction?**

Computer game addiction generally refers to an excessive, unhealthy amount of time playing computer games. Rather than engaging in the real world, an addicted user devotes the majority of his or her time to gaming. The addicted gamer often isolates him/herself from others, ignores more important responsibilities, and is often obsessed with obtaining higher status / rankings / achievements in his/her favourite computer game.

**Is computer game addiction a diagnosable disorder?**

According to the DSM-IV (the current manual for classifying emotional, psychological, and mental disorders), no. Although there have been calls from some mental health professionals (and parents) to recognise computer game addiction as a “real” disorder, it has not been granted official diagnostic status. As more research on the effects of excessive gaming is conducted, many believe that it is only a matter of time before computer game addiction is classified as a compulsive behaviour similar to gambling addiction.

**What are the symptoms of computer game addiction?**

Because there is no official diagnosis of computer game addiction, there is obviously no universally agreed upon list of symptoms. Psychologists and other mental health professionals initially adapted the diagnostic criteria for gambling addiction and used this as a rough assessment tool for computer game addiction. This classification approach is rarely used today and for better or for worse, it is essentially up to the individual researcher or clinician to define the symptoms of computer addiction. Still, there are some signs and behaviours that are almost always included in definitions of computer addiction, such as...

- Significant interference with school, work, or relationships
- Often avoiding other commitments in order to keep playing
- Frequently turning down social invitations in favour of gaming
- Using most or all of one’s free time for gaming
- Regularly playing late into the night and which results in poor sleep habits
- Loss of interest in previously enjoyed activities
- Regular gaming “binges” of eight hours or more nonstop

**Who is most at risk for computer game addiction?**

Although virtually anyone who plays computer games could become addicted, certain groups appear to be more likely to develop unhealthy levels of play. These groups include:

- Males
- Children and teens
- People with other psychological difficulties (e.g., depression, low self-esteem, anxiety)
- Individuals with long periods of unstructured time (for example, a teen who is not involved in other activities outside of school)
- Those with higher levels of neurotocism
- Children who are more impulsive and have weaker social skills
Why are computer games addictive?

First, note that some types of computer games are clearly more addictive than others. For example, most research suggests that MMOs (like World of Warcraft) and FPS games (like Call of Duty) are more addictive than racing games and platformers. In brief though, the most addictive video games usually employ many well-established psychological principles to encourage longer and longer periods of play. For example, the most addictive computer games.

- are based on a leveling system that requires only minimal effort to “level-up” in the early stages...which slowly evolves into very long gaming sessions to reach the next stage as the game progresses
- are open-ended with no clearly defined end
- require cooperation with other human players to advance in the game...which creates a sense of obligation and dedication to one’s teammates...which translates into more and more time strengthening characters and improving skills
- are based on variable-ratio or variable interval schedules of reinforcement that encourages long periods of gaming even in the absence of rewards

How common is computer game addiction in children?

Depending on the research methodology and the definition of computer addiction used, estimates range from 2 to 10% of all children who play video games. More accurate and consistent estimates should be possible if formal diagnostic criteria for computer game addiction are introduced.

To view the remainder of this article go to: http://www.techaddiction.ca/symptoms_of_video_game_addiction.html
For further support please contact the College, visit www.headspace.org.au or www.gamequitters.com

The Pastoral Care Team

SSWA NETBALL CUP

After coming second in our zone for the School Sport Western Australia (SSWA) netball carnival in Wanneroo, the girls advanced to the interzone final against Ursula Frayne on Tuesday 21 June. This was bound to be a challenging game, but spirits were high.

The girls had a strong start. Their teamwork and communication was outstanding, as they pushed hard against the defensive strategies of the opposing team. Unfortunately, after the halftime break, Ursula Frayne pulled away, despite the efforts of Elizabeth Skinner-Drakeford, Nes’eya Williams and Lara Rangitoheriri in defence. Unfortunately the girls didn’t come away with a win, but they did so well to get to the final and should be commended for their efforts. The final score was Ursula Frayne 39 to St Norbert College 20.

We had some valuable and accurate shooting from Princess Cartojano, Savahna Nevill and Ira Sanchez, who worked hard in the circle. Our mid court was strong, with Kelsey De Luis and Melisse Burgoyne playing despite injuries, and Ava Glassborow and Madison Heron who dominated possession and fought hard to keep the ball with SNC. Unfortunately, Sacha Carver wasn’t able to join us, but she was highly valuable on the carnival day.

Huge congratulations to the girls and their efforts over Term One and Two. The improvements and teamwork that I saw was extremely pleasing and rewarding as a coach. Wishing the girls the best of luck for the competition next year.

Miss J Robinson (Coach)

CANNINGTON PHYSIOTHERAPY EDUCATIONAL VISIT

Students in Year 11 Physical Education Studies and Year 10 Sport Science elective were treated to an educational presentation from Cannington Physiotherapy last week. Ex-student, now Physiotherapist Dean Nelson (Class of 2005) and his colleague Emma Henderson were on hand to share their knowledge, provide real world applications of course content and discuss future career pathways with the students. We thank Dean and Emma for their time.

Mr M Pavy (Head of Learning Area- Health and Physical Education)
MORE THAN JUST A HAIR CUT FOR KILNACROTT STAR

Congratulations to Kilnacrott Year 7, Sydney Midgley on her fundraising efforts for Variety’s Princess Charlotte Alopecia Program. Two weeks ago Sydney decided that it was time to cut off her hair that she had been growing since she was five years old. However, she wanted her hair to go to a good cause and after some research with Mum’s assistance she discovered the Alopecia Program, which provides wigs for children who have lost their hair due to a medical condition.

“I decided that I wanted to donate my hair as I realised that not everyone is fortunate to have lovely hair and I realised that not having hair could make you feel insecure and uncomfortable around your friends and school mates.” Sydney said.

“I wanted to make a difference in someone’s life by making them feel comfortable and happy with the way they looked.”

Sydney cut 42cm off her hair (minimum of 30cm is required) and she has also started a donations page for the program that has now raised over $2000.

https://alopecia.everydayhero.com/au/sydney-s-big-trim-for-variety

Well done Sydney!

Miss S Gardner (Head of House – Kilnacrott)

PERFORMING ARTS

INSTRUMENTAL RECITAL

Last week students involved in the College Instrumental Program performed as a part of the St Norbert College Instrumental Recital Series. Held across two afternoons, these informal performance afternoons were designed to give our musicians the opportunity to showcase the many skills they have been developing in their weekly instrumental lessons while also developing their performance technique. It was exciting to see the high level of musical ability, passion and enthusiasm in all our music students, from beginners through to our more advanced players. It was also fantastic to see the amount of support from the many staff, parents, family, and friends that attend the concerts. A big thank you to our hard working instrumental staff for preparing our musicians, and congratulations to all the students involved.

Ms A Walter (Head of Learning Area - Performing Arts)

SCIENCE

BRAIN BEE CHALLENGE

On Monday 27 June, three of our brainiest students- Samuel Eaton, Gracelyn Gacutno and Destiny Perkins ventured to UWA to complete in the WA finals of the Australian Brain Bee Challenge. These students were up against 83 other teenagers from 16 schools to compete for the opportunity to represent the state in the national finals. They participated in a short answer quiz and a teasing team challenge to test their knowledge on the brain and how it works. Samuel Eaton progressed into the next round, but the braininess of the other opponents was unfortunately all too much. The three students toured UWA’s neuroscience facilities and met some of WA’s leading scientific researchers. The highlight was undoubtedly a visit to the anatomy museum to see real-life specimens. An excellent day was had by all.

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Ms A Walter (Head of Learning Area - Performing Arts)
YEAR 12 RETREAT REFLECTIONS

“The retreat was fairly enjoyable and relaxing. I liked that it focused a lot on individual skills and what we all have, that way no one feels left out because everyone has talents. I liked the theme of friendship as it was very appropriate especially as we are Year 12 and will be having to develop new friendships as we leave.”  - Jack Rangi

“The retreat allowed me to reflect and get to know people I usually don’t talk to. Since it is our graduating year, I believe that it is important for all of us to put aside any differences that happened in the past and instead be grateful that we have reached the end of this journey together. This retreat allowed us to do so.”  - Rose Ipapo

“My experience of the retreat was great. I managed to spend a few moments with my friends where we were not talking about school and how stressful it has been. We just sat near the field soaking up our last moments together this year. Despite not being put into the same group with my friends, I managed to interact with many people who I hadn’t throughout my time in St. Norbert College.”  - Emilia Neo

“The Year 12 retreat was a good way to get out of the school life and all the stress of exams. It was good to spend some time with everyone in our year and strengthening our friendships and finding a little about the people I don’t normally hangout with. It was also really good to hear the things people thought of me and gave me more confidence to approach them next time.”  - Shehan Mendis

“The retreat was overall a nice and relaxing break from our daily struggles in Year 12. We learnt about the themes of friendship, loaves and fishes. Taking a step back from classes and study for a day was beneficial enabling us to better reflect on our results and how we can improve.”  - Mathew Walker

“The Year 12 Retreat this year was exuberant and fulfilling. Really getting to know ourselves and our classmates and friends was truly an adventure as well as fruitful. I loved how it was more of a hands-on retreat rather than just a full-on reflective event. The theme of friendship was something new and the environment was relaxing, peaceful but exciting. Truly a day to treasure!”  - Arin Regi

CATHOLIC YOUTH SUMMIT

Last Friday six students represented the College at the first ever Catholic Youth Summit at Notre Dame University, Fremantle. Here are some of their impressions of the day.

“The Catholic Youth Summit was an enlightening and enjoyably experience that allowed us to become leaders in our community and become stronger in our faith. Definitely unforgettable”  - Reece Don

“The Youth Summit conference is such a rewarding and eye opening experience that I’d encourage everyone to go on if you have an opportunity.”  - Destiny Perkins

Ms M Kyd (Campus Ministry Coordinator)
Term Two in Mathematics has been action packed yet again, keeping our students extremely busy and most importantly engaged. We endeavour always to keep our students motivated to explore Mathematics, to consistently improve and of course empower students to own their individual “learning” in a subject that permeates everything we do in the world.

Our teachers have created interesting lessons that not only engage the students, but also make it fun and memorable.

How many students can fit inside a cubic metre?
AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION 2016

Next term sees us once again immersing ourselves in the Annual Australian Mathematics Competition. Over 400,000 students from 40 different countries sit this test on the same day each year. It is one of the biggest events in the Mathematics Calendar. We were particularly impressed with the increase in the number of Credits, Distinctions and High Distinctions over the past few years at St Norbert College. If you have been selected (Year 7, 8 and Methods) or have volunteered to sit this competition (Year 9, 10, Applications), you will be receiving a letter over the July holidays with details of the Competition. This year’s competition will take place on Thursday 28 July during Periods 3 and 4. Practice tests are available from the Mathematics Department and will also be made available via SEQTA on Mathematics Cover Pages over the July holidays. We look forward to even higher results this year.

ST NORBERT COLLEGE SPACE CAMP AND STEM TOUR 2017 - UPDATE

Arrangements for Space Camp 2017 are progressing at full speed towards April 2017. We have 28 students who have committed to the trip with three teachers, Miss Fairhead (Head of Science), Mr D’Almeida (Physics) and Mrs Murphy (Head of Mathematics) also attending. We are very excited and honoured to be part of this wonderful inaugural event.

It will be a busy few months leading up to this special trip. The tour will enable students to spend five days in Orlando, Florida where students will visit the Kennedy Space Centre and attend a lunch with an experienced Astronaut. They will visit Universal Studios and a Disney theme park, before travelling to Huntsville, Alabama for five nights where they will experience the NASA Space Camp and undertake the Advanced Space Academy Program. From here, the students will travel to San Francisco, California for three nights, visiting the amazing Exploratorium, Alcatraz, the computer History Museum and the National Ignition Facility (NIF).

CLASSPAD WORKSHOP WITH MR. CHARLIE WATSON (ATAR MATHEMATICS)

If students are currently enrolled in an ATAR Mathematics Course, which requires the use of the CAS Calculator, then this Workshop is for you. Using the ClassPad efficiently is fundamentally connected with success in ATAR Mathematics (Paper Two). We have planned a free workshop after school on Friday 22 July from 3.30pm to 5.30pm in the Brother Pat Forum (Week 1). The first section of the Workshop is mainly for Applications students in Year 11 and 12 and then this flows into Methods and Specialist Mathematics. This Workshop is necessary if you feel “Time Pressure” in the exam, which is usually indicative of poor use of the calculator. Mr Watson is an expert in his field and will no doubt bring many great shortcuts to students for use in examinations. Further information will be sent out via SEQTA Learn and SEQTA Engage in the coming days. Students are advised to bring snacks and drinks to help with concentration.

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I would like to thank all our Parents and Guardians for their continued support in 2016.

Mrs B Murphy (Head of Learning Area - Mathematics)
CATHOLIC PERFORMING ARTS

We have received the dates for the Catholic Performing Arts Festival. Information letters and permission forms for group performances have been distributed during rehearsals this week. If you require any further information, please contact Alicia Walter, Head of Performing Arts.

Ms A Walter (Head of Learning Area - Performing Arts)

PHOTO DAY

College photographs will take place on Wednesday, 20 July, 2016 (Term Three, Week 1).

Each student has now received their own envelope for ordering school photos. This must be returned with payment on the day and given to the photographers. Please include correct money as change will not be available. Please do NOT send the envelopes or payment to the school. Payment can be made by one student in the family and this should be noted on the envelope as requested. Students are to return the envelope even if they are NOT wishing to purchase the photos.

Sibling photograph envelopes are available from Student Reception and should be collected by the eldest child in the family. Family photos will begin at approximately 1.40pm in the O'Reilly Centre and students are required to meet with their siblings at the START OF PERIOD 5 ready for their photos.

It is important that all students are in attendance for their Class photo so please keep this day free from appointments. All students must wear their full College winter uniform on Photo Day even if they have sport. Please ensure that your child's blazer is well presented including correctly coloured buttons. A limited number of spare blazer buttons are available from the Uniform Shop as well as from Heads of Houses. Girls need to wear white College socks (and NOT stockings or tights) to ensure consistency of appearance in the photographs.

As these photos are used in the College Annual we insist on a high standard of uniform and personal presentation. Should your child not meet College standards, they are at risk of not taking part in school photos and hence their photo will not appear in this publication.

Absentee photos will occur on Wednesday 27 July, 2016 (Week 2, Term Three) at 10.00am. Photograph packages that have been paid for will be distributed through the school by the end of Term Three.

Please contact Roger D'Almeida (rdalmeida@norbert.wa.edu.au) if you have any queries regarding this matter.

Mr R D'Almeida (College Photograph Coordinator)
To everyone at St Norbert College,

It has been an extremely exciting journey starting from St Norbert College with the Athletics Carnivals and leading into 2011 where I was officially registered for a club outside of school. It’s a huge roller coaster with so many ups and downs. The ups started early when my vision was only to become the fastest in the school, later when I achieved this, I thought why not attempt to be the fastest in the state. In 2011, I won my first state title and just loved the sense of accomplishment and enjoyed everything that came with.

To me I just enjoyed the process and my motivation grew bigger to wanting to be the fastest in the country. I achieved that goal in 2013, becoming the fastest junior and top five overall rankings. This is when I started thinking about competing at Rio and 2014 Commonwealth Games. However my fifth position finish at the Commonwealth trails didn’t make the qualifying time, so I directed my focus towards an Olympic Dream.

I am currently in Germany preparing for the games and I have just ran an Olympic qualifying time of 145.78 in the 800m, which ranks me second in the country. My emotions are running wild and the dream is within sight, however the cut off for team selection is on the 11th of July and for me to be selected I must remain in this position or move up.

My fingers are crossed and I have one more race to go in Belgium, which I am aiming to run a little faster. While no one vying for Rio is running faster times than me at the moment, nothing is guaranteed. Leading up to this achievement has been emotional and at the same time exciting as well as mentally and physically challenging, but that’s just part of the journey which makes it all worth it.

Lastly, hope all is well and I am thankful for all the support from the St Norbert staff and students. It has been unreal reading some of the messages.

Nagmeldin Peter Bol (Class of 2012)
In order to ensure the future of our Breakfast Club, we are seeking the help of parent volunteers. Parents who have children that attend the College’s morning sport and dance training, or who have time to spare from 7.40am until 8.20am are encouraged to volunteer.

Please help us to keep Breakfast Club going!

For more information please contact Stacey Fairhead, Breakfast Club Coordinator at the College on 93505433 or email: sfairhead@norbert.wa.edu.au
The aim of the WorkPrep Partnerships Program is to connect schools to industry to provide opportunities that prepare students for the challenges of 21st Century work. The focus is on developing core work skills and initiative by learning on the job.

**WORKPLACE PROGRAMS**

**WorkPrep Workplace Learning Program (Year 11 and 12 students)**
This program is endorsed by the School Curriculum and Standards Authority and counts toward graduation.

**2016 Dates**
Semester 1: 18 February to 19 May (12 days in total, one day per week)
Semester 2: 16 June to 15 September (12 days in total, one day per week)

**WorkPrep Taster Program (Year 10 students)**
This school developed program serves as an introduction to the world of work.

**2016 Dates**
Semester 1: 27 June to 1 July (5 day block release)
Semester 2: 19 to 23 September (five day block release)

**Benefits to Industry**
- developing in young people a realistic understanding of industry expectations and standards
- giving employers a valued training role in assisting young people in acquiring workplace skills
- providing access to a pool of pre-skilled and immediately productive young workers from which employers can recruit
- providing a direct link to schools and the opportunity to make education more relevant to industry needs

**Benefits to Students**
- developing first-hand experience in a real workplace in preparation for the transition from school to work
- developing competence in the core skills for work
- enhancing an understanding of the link between school studies and work
- developing career pathways that help students decide if a particular industry or job is right for them.

**Workplace Visits**
The school identifies students with aspirations to work in a particular industry. These students can visit your workplace premises for a “show and tell” session to give them exposure to a real workplace and job roles in that industry area.

**2016 Dates**
These tours can be arranged at any time but normally take place in October-December.

**ENTERPRISE PROJECTS**
Enterprise Projects are simulated or real-life activities that students undertake in teams to develop entrepreneurial behaviours.
These are completed at school through the guidance and mentoring of industry partners who provide the project conditions and information for students.

**2016 Dates**
Students will complete their enterprise projects from September – November.

If you are interested in partnering with St Norbert College for any WorkPrep Programs please contact the College.

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Important Information

To complete the first half of Perth Stadium Station, trains will be cancelled between Armadale and Claisebrook for nine days. The Shutdown will impact all stations on the Armadale and Thornlie lines in some way. Journey times will take longer so please plan ahead.

Visit transperth.wa.gov.au to find out how the Shutdown will impact you and plan your journey.

Plan ahead with train replacement buses, and allow at least an extra 45 minutes travel time.

Trains will continue to run between Perth and Claisebrook, so there will be NO replacement buses to Perth.

Apart from train replacement buses, what are my options?

- Catch a regular timetabled bus, which may be less busy and more convenient than replacement buses.
- Work from home.
- Stagger your start and finish times.
- Car pool (and catch up on neighbourhood gossip).
- Get fit and cycle or walk to work.
- Book a holiday and take a break from work altogether.

Plan ahead.

Need more information?

Call: 13 62 13  Visit: transperth.wa.gov.au  Email: projects@pta.wa.gov.au
PerthTrainShutdowns  @PerthTrainShuts
VERY URGENT

28th June 6.30pm  UWA Engineering Information Evening

**Early Offers:** From the 4th July Year 12 students will be able to apply to UWA for an early offer into engineering in 2017.

Applicants need to provide a letter from the school saying that they are expected to achieve an ATAR of 92 or above with English and Maths Methods.

Students who have received an offer from UWA will be guaranteed a place. There is no quota on the number of offers that will be made.

Any student who gets an ATAR of 96 or above will automatically receive a $5k engineering scholarship.

If you think you MIGHT want to do engineering at UWA they advise you to apply for an early offer. If you are happy with your offer you need to put Engineering at UWA as your first preference when you identify your preferences to TISC.

If you change your mind you need to put your **new choice** as your first preference on your TISC application.

To find out about the early offers, how to apply and about the wide range of engineering courses available, go to the UWA Engineering Information Evening.

**When:** Tuesday 28 June 2016 **Time:** 6.30pm-7.30pm
**Venue:** Crawley Campus, Engineering Lecture Theatre 1
29th June 6pm     Murdoch Health Careers Evening

The health industry has the biggest range of careers of any industry and it is the biggest employers in Australia.

You can do a wide range of health courses at Murdoch.

Find out about careers in health, from roles in nursing and chiropractic through to laboratory medicine and psychology.

When: 29 June 6pm - 7pm
Where: Murdoch University Kim Beazley Lecture Theatre

Register at: http://www.murdoch.edu.au/Future-students/Domestic-students-events/Latest-events/Health-Careers-Evening/

4th July     Agriculture Winter School

Year 12 students can start 8 vocational units in agriculture at Muresk over the July holidays.

These units are to be completed online by 7 January 2017. The units include:

- Use of farm chemicals (Chemcert certificate)
- Precision agriculture and crop production
- Low stress livestock handling and feedlot production
- Use of a range of farm equipment.

When: 4 - 15 July
Where: Muresk Institute Northam
For more information phone: 1300 994 031
4th July  UWA High Achievers Program for Year 12 Students

This is a three-day program that provides high-achieving Year 12 students with the opportunity to experience various aspects of university life at UWA.

Students who attend will:

- learn more about Assured-entry Pathways to professional postgraduate degrees
- meet the Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) Academic Coordinator, and current BPhil (Hons) students
- participate in a wide range of academic, recreational and social activities
- experienced hands-on workshops, led by field experts
- explore the UWA Crawley campus and tour various faculties

Where and when

- Dates: Monday 4 to Wednesday 6 July, 8.45am to 5.00pm (students are required to attend all workshops across the three-day program)
- Location: UWA Crawley Campus

http://www.studyat.uwa.edu.au/about/events/year-12-students/excellence

See the June Issue of Tertiary Reminders newsletter for Details of the WACE REVISION PROGRAMS
5th July 11am  ECU Campus Tour - South West (Bunbury)

When: Tuesday, 5 July 11.00am - 12.00pm
Where: ECU South West Campus Bunbury
Register at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RXX3RWH

6th July 11am  ECU Campus Tour - Joondalup

When: 6 July 11.00am - 12.00pm
Where: ECU Joondalup Campus
Register at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RXX3RWH

13th July ECU Campus Tour - Mount Lawley
When: 13 July 11.00am - 12.00pm
Where: ECU Mount Lawley Campus
Register at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RXX3RWH

URGENT

15th July Notre Dame - A Day in the Life of a University Student

This is a day for Year 10, 11 and 12 students to experience what life is really like at Notre Dame.

Come down to Notre Dame in Fremantle and get a taste of the areas of study on offer. You’ll take part in lectures and activities, enjoy a campus tour, and meet current students and academics.

Please register at: http://www.nd.edu.au/events/2016/aditl

If you are in Year 12, you can come along to the optional application workshop at the end of the day. Advisors will take you step-by-step through the application form and answer all your questions about applying.
TERTIARY REMINDERS

INFOCUS CAREERS   JULY 2016

Venue: The University of Notre Dame, Prindiville Hall (ND3), Mouat Street, Fremantle.

When: 15th July 9.30am - 2.30pm (Year 12 students are invited to an optional application workshop from 2.30 - 3pm)

17 July ECU Open Day Joondalup
ECU Joondalup Open Day 10am- 3pm

Open Days are like going to the Royal Show. There are so many things to see and do.

University staff and students will be there to give you information and answer your questions.

MURDOCH OPEN DAY 2016

SUNDAY 24 JULY. 10AM - 4PM.
29th July Student Economic Forum

The Western Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Economics Teachers Association of WA will be hosting the Student Economic Forum.

Students will gain an insight into what they may expect in the Economics WACE exam and hear about the wide variety of career paths that the discipline can lead to.

When: 29 July 2016 and 5 August
Registrations now at: https://cciwa.com/students/events

Semester 2 Get Stuck In Program - South Regional TAFE

This program is for 15 - 17 year old students who are seeking an alternative to traditional school learning. It is run in Albany.

Students born on or after 1 July 1998, and have completed Year 10 are eligible.

For more information search for the Get Stuck In program at South Regional TAFE http://www.gsit.wa.edu.au/future-students/getstuckin-2016
14th August ECU Mt Lawley and WAAPA Open Day

Emerging performing artists will join mainstream experts to display their talents and tell you about what is possible at ECU. This day should be fun and we may get to meet Australia’s new Hugh Jackman.

14th August UWA Open Day

- New scientific discoveries
- New career choices
- New ideas
- New options

University open days are great showcases of what is possible.

14 August UWA Open Day
16th August Curtin Social Work Information Evening

If you are really keen to help people then social work could be your ideal career.

At this Information Evening you will hear from social work professionals and students currently studying Social Work at Curtin University.

6pm - 8 pm Foyer of Building 108 Bentley Campus


Skills West Expo

The Skills West Expo is Western Australia’s, largest and most attended careers event. 12 - 14 August, 2016 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.
18th August ECU Engineering Information Evening

Find out about our courses, admissions pathways, support services, take a tour of our facilities and have a chat with our friendly academics and Student Recruitment Staff.

When: Thursday, 18 August at 6.00pm
Where: ECU Joondalup Campus
Register at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MMBBWKV

18th August Meet Sydney University - Information Evening

Join us at our Meet Sydney information evening to find out about our wide range of bachelor’s, master’s and PhD degrees, scholarships, how to apply, and life on our campus.

Representatives, a current student and our alumni will answer all your questions about studying at the University of Sydney.

- learn about the 450 different courses available at Sydney - the widest range in Australia
- meet academics and course advisers to get advice on which course is right for you
- network with current postgraduate students and alumni and hear about the opportunities postgraduate study has opened up for them
- get help with your course application and advise on applying for research scholarships
- find out what student support is available for postgraduate students.

Thursday 18 August, 6 - 8pm
Hyatt Regency Perth, 99 Adelaide Terrace, Perth

Register here
21 August Notre Dame Open Day

The round of Open Days continues with the Notre Dame Open Day. These days really are worth going to.

28 August ECU South West Open Day
12 noon - 3pm

It is ECU Bunbury’s turn to hold its Open Day. This is a great opportunity to find out what is on offer.
Background Briefing

UWA Changes to Medicine

UWA is starting a 6-YEAR medicine, dentistry and podiatry pathway in 2017. Students must have undertaken the UMAT to gain a place within the quota of 400 students in 2017.

This new Health/Medical Direct Pathway includes a Medical Sciences major. More information about direct entry can be found here.

To gain a place within the quota of 400 students applicants will need to apply through TISC.

Scholarships

1. The CSIRO Indigenous Cadetship and Traineeship scholarships have opened. There seems to be a wide range of careers available and opportunities are available across the State.

2. Not all scholarships are awarded for academic merit. Some are for students experiencing hardship and some are supporting government initiatives like breaking down barriers to get women into non-traditional occupations like engineering.

3. You can apply for more than one scholarship.

4. New scholarships come out all of the time. I will post new scholarships onto the In Focus Careers Facebook page.

Find a scholarships at:

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Students are encouraged to undertake some of their study overseas. There are scholarships available to support students to do this.
Vocational Education and Training (VET) Costs

The fees for a fashion designer course in 2016 are much higher than for agriculture courses. That is because fashion designers were not assessed to be priority occupation needed by the WA economy but beef farmers were.

Occupations on the State Priority Occupation List receive more government funding for training and cost less than occupations that are not on the list.

You can check the list of occupations in high demand here.

1. Specific VET Course Costs

All TAFE Colleges charge approximately the same for their courses. You can see the costs of most WA TAFE courses at North Metropolitan TAFE.

South Metropolitan TAFE runs some specialist courses and you will need to check them on the South Metro site to find the costs.

All colleges charge different rates for short specialist courses. The colleges advertise the cost when they advertise the course information.

2. Apprenticeships and Traineeships

If you are interested in getting an apprenticeship or traineeship you need to find someone who is willing to give you a job as an apprentice or trainee.

Search the Information and Links on the Australian Apprenticeships Pathways site to get help with this.
4. Pre Apprenticeships

If you can’t find a suitable apprenticeship, contact your local TAFE College to find out what pre apprenticeships they are going to run. Many employers contact the lecturers at colleges asking them to send out some suitable students for a job interview.

**TIP:** When applying for a Pre Apprenticeship applicants may need to do an interview. Applicants should take along photos of their work in a portfolio to impress the interview panel. They should dress up in the sort of clothes they would wear to work, office clothes for an office job, smart casual for a building trade.

Sporting and volunteer experience as well as school results and industry experience will help to impress the panel.

Applicants should act as if they really want a place in the course.

5. Financial Support

Information about TAFE [Fees Financial Help and Payment](#) is available [here](#). Check it out. You may be able to claim to travel to your college, or a range of government benefits.

6. Scholarships

Identify the industry you want to enter. Search your industry scholarships e.g. “Automotive scholarships Western Australia”.

You will find professional groups and associations that will tell you about the courses, you might find apprenticeships, you may find information about scholarships or you might find a newsletter you can subscribe to and keep up to date.

**University Course Costs**

All Western Australian universities charge approximately the same for their courses. Significant differences may occur depending on the length of the course.

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2. Financial Support

Students who plan to apply for HECS will need to get a Tax File Number. Find out about the Higher Education Contribution Scheme at Study Assist. http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/StudyAssist/

STEM

The Young ICT Explorers competition is on in Perth on 3rd September. Schools wishing to enter can find out details here: http://www.youngictexplorers.net.au/#

Apprenticeships - There’s an app for that.

Download the Apprenticeship careers app to explore your own apprenticeship careers pathway. Ausapp pathology

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A celebration of Australian culture where we can all let our mullets down and flannos hang loose, that’s hosted by the “Bogan Bingo” legends themselves.

Edmund Rice Camps
WA’s Aussie Bingo Night

Friday 24th June 2016
7pm, for a show start time of 7.30pm

Aquinas College Hall
58 Mt Henry Road, Salter Point

$200 per table
(maximum of 8 ppl per table. Cost includes 1 x free cheese plate per table)

No BYO drinks. Bring along a picnic and your money for bar, raffles, games, auction and baked goodies.

To purchase tables or for more information please visit our website edmundricecampswa.com.au or contact Nicole Mancini at nmancini@edmundrice.org