Dearest Parents, Carers and friends of St Michael’s,

This week, we will celebrate a number of exciting events at St Michael’s including:

- welcoming our French exchange students (Monday)
- celebrating our Opening Mass and Induction of Student Leaders (9am Tuesday)
- a welcome gathering for our new families (3.30pm Tuesday)
- our first P&F meeting for 2017 (7pm Tuesday)
- our College Swimming Carnival (Thursday)
- the Year 9 Leaders Leadership day (Friday)

In the year of our Justice pillar, it is good for all of us to understand the Catholic Church’s key teachings about social justice. Caritas Australia, one of Australia’s leading Catholic justice organisations lists eight major principles:

**Dignity of the human person**
Every human being is created in the image and likeness of God and therefore has inherent dignity. No human being should have their dignity or freedom compromised. The dignity of every person, independent of ethnicity, creed, gender, sexuality, age or ability, is the foundation of Catholic Social Teaching.

**The common good**
Every person should have sufficient access to the goods and resources of society so that they can completely and easily live fulfilling lives. The rights of the individual to personal possessions and community resources must be balanced with the needs of the disadvantaged and dispossessed. The common good is reached when we work together to improve the wellbeing of people in our society and the wider world.

**Subsidiarity and participation**
All people have the right to participate in decisions that affect their lives. Subsidiarity requires that decisions are made by the people closest and most affected by the issues and concerns of the community.

**Solidarity**
Everyone belongs to one human family, regardless of their national, religious, ethnic, economic, political and ideological differences. Everyone has an obligation to promote the rights and development of all peoples across communities, nations, and the world, irrespective of national boundaries. We are called by the principle of solidarity to take the parable of the Good Samaritan to heart (Luke 10:29-37), and to express this understanding in how we live and interact with others.

**Preferential option for the poor**
Caring for the poor is everyone’s responsibility. Preferential care should be shown to poor and vulnerable people, whose needs and rights are given special attention in God’s eyes. Jesus taught that God asks each of us what we are doing to help the poor and needy: “Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me” (Matthew 25:40).

**Economic justice**
Economic life is not meant solely for profit, but rather in service of the entire human community. Everyone capable should be involved in economic activity and should be able to draw from work, the means for providing for themselves and their family.
**Stewardship of Creation**
We must all respect, care for and share the resources of the earth, which are vital for the common good of people. Care for animals and the environment is a common and universal duty, and ecological problems call for a change of mentality and the adoption of new lifestyles.

**Promotion of peace**
All peace requires respect for and the development of human life, which in turn involves the safeguarding of the goods, dignity and freedom of people. Peace is the fruit of justice and is dependent upon right order among human beings.

Yours in Christ
Mr Michael Nayler
Principal

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**Message from the ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Last week I received our Lenten materials in the mail, reminding me that the season of Lent will be upon us in a couple of weeks. This year Ash Wednesday falls on March 1 and the four days of Easter are at the end of the school holidays rather than at the beginning. In his introduction to the Archdiocesan Lenten booklet *Up from the Waters*, Archbishop Mark Coleridge writes:

> In Baptism, we are claimed for Christ and anointed with Christ as priest, prophet and king. All the baptised are called to be ‘priest’ – to sanctify the world, whether as a parent a politician or a plumber. All the baptised are called to be ‘prophet’ – to name evil in all its forms, to bring injustice to light, peace in the face of violence and truth where there is deceit and treachery. And all the baptised are called to be ‘king’ – to act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God (Micah 6:8); to rule as a servant of love compassion and mercy.

Archbishop Mark’s comment *to bring injustice to light*, and the quote from the prophet Micah, *to act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God (Micah 6:8)* resonate particularly well with the pillar of Justice which is the focus pillar of our charism of St Michael this year. As we approach the season of Lent, may we take to heart the message of Archbishop Mark.

Mrs Margaret Petherbridge
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**HOST FAMILIES NEEDED**

St Michael’s College will be hosting a group of students from Utsunomiya High School in Japan from March 3 to March 11 (8 nights). We are looking for families to host these 15 year old students with only one student per family.

You will need to supply 3 meals a day, drive them to and from school and provide a loving home environment. There is a payment to families who host a student of $440.

If you are interested, please ring Susannah Tosh on 0415 721 328 ASAP as details need to be sent to Japan as soon as possible. Thank you.

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**P&F MEETING**

St Michael’s Parents & Friends first meeting is Tuesday February 7. All are welcome to attend.

Our purpose is to support both parents and students of the College and we always finish on time!

Please join us for our first meeting on Tuesday February 7, 7pm through to 8pm in the College Boardroom at the Main Office.
Who are the **SCIENCE STARS** for the start of the 2017 academic year?

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<td>For helping others in class.</td>
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<td>Outstanding attitude. High standard of homework completed.</td>
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<td>Charlice Dawson</td>
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<td>Outstanding attitude and work ethic.</td>
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<td>Great attention and questions.</td>
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<td>Finnbar Bourke</td>
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<td>For excellent demonstrations of science skills.</td>
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<td>Aidan Celano</td>
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<td>Great thinking, reasoning and questions.</td>
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<td>Great work ethic and excellent attitude.</td>
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<td>For great work and cheery attitude.</td>
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<td>Charlotte Diffee</td>
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<td>For consistent participation in lessons and for inquiring further about the topic.</td>
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<td>Joseph Rudd</td>
<td>10.1</td>
<td>Engaged in class and keen to contribute to class discussions. Top effort with homework.</td>
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<td>Riley Pavey</td>
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<td>Great focus in class especially with our DNA origami.</td>
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<td>Tahlia Young</td>
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<td>For engaging in classroom activities with enthusiasm.</td>
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<td>Jai Davidson</td>
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<td>For being actively involved in class discussions.</td>
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<td>Joseph Lancaster</td>
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<td>Outstanding attitude and great work in class.</td>
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<td>Connor Oseman</td>
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<td>Great questioning in class and general attitude.</td>
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<td>Brad Veric</td>
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<td>Excellent attitude and great work ethic.</td>
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<td>Has started year very well with positive attention in class and all homework done to a high standard.</td>
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<td>100% attentive in class.</td>
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Well done to all these students and other students who are working at their best. Look out for more Science Stars later this term!

Ms Julie Miles  
Science Faculty Leader

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**Message from the CREATIVE AND PERFORMINGS ARTS FACULTY**

Introducing the new SMC Dance Studio!

We are very excited to announce the opening of our new Dance Studio. Our students are very excited to have a specialist space catering for the needs of our dancers.

We look forward to many fruitful rehearsals working towards the Beenleigh, Gold Coast and Brisbane Eisteddfod this year.

Miss Emma Steward  
CAPA Faculty Leader
Message from the SPORTS COORDINATOR

Our Swimming Carnival is on Thursday February 9, at Somerset College. Parents are welcome to come along and support their son/daughter and enjoy the house spirit.

Isabella Schramm
Wishing Isabella all the best in Victoria as she competes in a 5 round BMX tournament, to win a trip to the USA to compete at the Grands. Each round is located at a different BMX track in Australia which means Isabella must ride different distances each race. She has been participating in BMX for the past 6 years at her local BMX track in Ashmore and is currently the 11 year old girl’s World Champion! Wishing her all the best from the St Michael’s College community.

Mr Corbin Levick
Sports Coordinator

Message from the HPE FACULTY

Year 7 and 8 students are concentrating on theory work for the initial part of this term and associating this information with their practical lessons.
Year 9 students are relating their fitness tests to the theoretical component.
Year 10 students will be introduced to Energy Systems and combine this knowledge with their practical components.
Senior students are busy preparing their practical and theoretical work for assessment.

Gym 2017
Parents and students are reminded that the gym is open on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 3pm – 4pm. Students are asked to bring a full change of clothes, a towel and water bottle to every gym session.

Healthy Hints
Just do it!!! The following benefits of exercise may motivate you: less risk of heart disease, diabetes and certain cancers; a brighter mood and a sharper mind.

Mr Clint Daddy
HPE Faculty Leader

YEAR 12 ACCOUNTING

Year 12 Accounting QUT Accounting Forum
Last Friday the Year 12 Accounting class travelled to QUT Brisbane to attend the BEAQ Accounting Student Forum. This is an annual event that aims to provide our Senior students with information regarding tertiary pathways in Business and in particular the Accounting profession.

Our students attended lectures in “Decision Making” by Liz Marsland, a lecturer at QUT, and “The Accounting Profession” by Adam Suess from CPA Accounting and Jenn Hargreaves from CA ANZ.

The students not only enjoyed the experience of attending university and travelling around the city of Brisbane, but also gained vital information to help them make career decisions.

Mrs Letitia Alder
Accounting Teacher
TUCKSHOP ROSTER

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We reward our volunteers with a $10 voucher for their student to use in the tuckshop and also a $10 credit on your fees statement.

Please contact the College if you are able to assist. Your help is much appreciated.

Message from VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND CAREERS

Another great week has flown by with our students again kicking goals outside of school. Several students recently have been taking up exclusive opportunities with local performing arts companies to study Certificate III in Dance courses. A credit to all of the great work done by our CAPA department spearheaded by Miss Steward. There are plenty more traineeships up for grabs as detailed below. Every week I will be doing a feature on new and exciting opportunities. This week the feature job is at RACV Royal Pines Resort. Any student looking to kick start a career in Hospitality - particularly in the hotel industry - this is the opportunity for you. Key duties will be working front desk reception, food and beverage, events and housekeeping. Please come and see me for application forms.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities below or if you would like more information, please see Mr Esdale at Student Services or email: mesdale@stmichaels.qld.edu.au

ADF CAREERS AND INFORMATION SESSION

Australia's Navy, Army and Air Force can give you experiences money can’t buy – a career that not only improves you personally, but means doing something worthwhile for your country.

There really is something for almost everyone – from fully paid university degrees and graduate entry schemes, rewarding trade and technical careers, exciting combat roles, through to support and administration positions. With more than 250 jobs on offer, with a multitude of entry avenues, there has never been a better time to find out more.

Where: Defence Force Recruiting Brisbane, Level 13, 295 Ann Street, Brisbane.

To RSVP visit http://events.defencejobs.gov.au/event/S8YMB/ or email cptqld@dfr.com.au

Please check our bulletin board outside Student Services for different information sessions and their times and dates.

GEN-Z TRAINEESHIPS

Gen-Z Employment have continued their partnership with Classic Holidays in 2017 and would like to offer Year 11 students an awesome opportunity in areas of business/admin, hospitality and maintenance/grounds and guest services.

Classic Holidays strongly supports school-based trainees and currently has 8 trainees in full time employment after completing training in previous years. Classic is excited to offer more school-based traineeships in 2017. These opportunities are across the Coast, from Coolangatta to Labrador, and include both Head Office and Resort based positions.

Certificate III in Business at Corporate Head – Varsity Lakes

IT and Administration (1 Position)
HR and Administration (1 position)

Certificate III in Hospitality

Sandy Point Beach Resort, Labrador
Golden Shores, Labrador
Tiki Village, Surfers Paradise
Jadon Place, Broadbeach
Beachcomber, Coolangatta

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PRESTIGE SERVICE TRAINING SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

Cert III Hospitality
Lava Carts, Robina
Coomera Roadhouse Café, Coomera
The Coffee & Tea Factory, Pacific Fair
Crema Espresso, Runaway Bay
Oskars on Burleigh, Burleigh Heads
Soul Origin, Helensvale
Coolibah Downs Private Estate, Mt Nathan
Hudsens Coffee, Tugun
Wild Fish & Chips, Pacific Fair
Royal Pines Resort, Carrara
Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary, Currumbin

Cert III Tourism
Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary, Currumbin

Cert III Business Admin
Rainbow Bay Realty, Coolangatta
Reflections Resort, Coolangatta
Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary, Currumbin

Cert III Business Retail
Lucky Dragon Newsagency, Australia Fair, Southport
Pizza Capers, Nerang & Ashmore
Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary, Currumbin
Prouds, Westfields Helensvale, Elanora

BUSY AT WORK SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

Cert III Hospitality
Gloria Jean's Coffee, Surfers Paradise

Cert III Business
Pizza Capers, Ashmore & Mudgeeraba

Cert III Commercial Cookery
The Beach Shack, Currumbin

Cert III in Barbering
Hair Haven Emporium, Carrara

Cert II Salon Assistant
Bliss Make Up & Tan, Varsity Lakes & Broadbeach

Cert III in Meat Retailing
Lovedays Quality Meats, Burleigh
Bermuda Butchery & Deli
Currumbin Butcher, Currumbin

Cert III Business Administration
Bruce Graham Lawyers, Bundall

IGNITE EDUCATION HOSPITALITY SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

Cert III Hospitality
Crema Espresso, Pacific Fair, Broadbeach (4 positions)
Coming Home Co, Robina Town Centre
Zarraffas – Ormeau (5 positions), Palm Beach (2 positions), Helensvale (2 positions)
Smpluous Fine Food, Currumbin (2 positions)
Olives, Pizza, Pasta & Ribs, Merrimac
Man on the Bike Pizza, Tallebudgera (2 positions)
Palm Garden Chinese Restaurant, Palm Beach
The Coffee Club Tweed City, Coolangatta (3 positions)
The Shingle Inn Café, The Pines
Little Miss Muffin Bakery, Southport (3 positions)
JJ's Café on Golden Four, Tugun (2 positions)
The Boatshed Bar, Currumbin (4 positions)
Would you like to work at a café, bar or restaurant? What about on a cruise ship, casino or hotel once completed school?
If yes, Aurora are offering an RSA short course on Thursday 23 February 2017 from 6:00pm-9:00pm at their premises, Suite 9 “Acacia Centre Commercial” 340 Scottsdale Dr, Robina QLD 4226 for the cost of $50.00. Please see Student Services for more information.

AURORA SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

Cert III Hospitality
The French Lantern, Hope Island
Subway, Runaway Bay, Upper Coomera, Coomera, Westfield Helensvale, Siganto Dr, Helensvale, Carrara, Harbour Town, Main Beach, Worongary, Palm Beach, Hope Island, Surfers Paradise, Ashmore, Burleigh Heads, Arundel Zaraffa’s, Runaway Bay, Nerang, Oxenford, Westfield Helensvale, Worongary
Burger Bro, Upper Coomera
Betty’s Burgers & Concrete Co, Surfers Paradise, Robina
The Industrial Café, Nerang
52 Marine, Coolangatta
Diva Tea and Coffee House, Main Beach
Barchino, Nobby Beach
California Cantina, Isle of Capri
Michele’s Patisserie, Runaway Bay
Le Café Enchante, Coolangatta
Coco Cubano, Broadbeach
Sunset Bar & Grill, Marina Mirage
Stellarossa, Nerang
Ambarella Fine Foods, Burleigh Waters

Cert III Commercial Cookery
Burleigh Heads Surf Club, Burleigh Heads
Ruffles Lodge and Spa, Willowvale

Cert III Business (Administration)
Hinterland Veterinary Surgery, Nerang
Anglicare (Southern Qld), Robina

Cert III Business (Retail Specialisation)
Resort News, Pacific Fair
Bakers Delight, Arundel & Hope Island
Shark Motorcycle Leathers and Accessories, Helensvale
Blooms The Chemist, Helensvale
Ambarella Fine Foods, Burleigh Waters
Storm Cycles, Tugun
Springbok Foods, Oxenford

Cert III Business
Gold Coast Island Buggy Tours, Main Beach

Cert III in Tourism
Space Flight Academy, Pimpama

REDMAKO SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

Cert III Hospitality
Royal Thai Hut, Pacific Pines
Nandos, Mermaid Waters
Two Seasons Café, Broadbeach
Sunshine Grills, Nerang
Baskin Robbins, Main Beach
Noodle Box, Robina
Aromas of India, Highland Park

Cert III Commercial Cookery
Royal Thai Hut, Pacific Pines