ANNUAL COLLEGE COMMUNITY MEETING PRINCIPAL REPORT
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It is truly a joy to share with you some of the highlights of our second year at St John Bosco College. I am blessed to work with a group of inspirational staff who share with me in the “JOY IN LEARNING” of our patron St John Bosco. Our dedicated team work tirelessly every day to enable every student in their care to flourish at St John Bosco College. I am delighted to introduce six new teaching staff that will join us in 2017: Mrs Celine Pen, Miss Emily Driscoll, Mrs Kate Lovell, Mrs Kim Lewis, Mr Toby Millar and Mrs Lisa Jordinson. I would also like to inform you that Mrs Eileen Battle has resigned and decided to enjoy living back in Ireland with her family. We also wish Miss Mikayla Bramley well in her new teaching position at St Matthew’s School in Narrogin. Mrs Simone Stevens and her husband Paul are enjoying parenthood with their beautiful baby boy Lachlan and we are all looking forward to the arrival of a newborn baby in February for Mrs Renee Palladino.

This year has been very special with the number of Baptisms amongst our Bosco Community and our first Year 3 students making their Sacrament of Reconciliation. We are very lucky to have Father Kaz and the St Francis Xavier Parish guide us in the faith formation of our students and the Catholic ethos of St John Bosco College.

Thank you to our College Board in their first year under the leadership of Mrs Gayle Emmerson, our Chairperson. You certainly have been a great support to me as we work collaboratively together to serve our community and provide for the needs of a growing College, especially as we get ready to complete stage 2 of our building program that will see completion of the Primary. Thank you to Mr Scott Clark for your valuable service as part of the College Board this year.

The Friends of St John Bosco have certainly achieved plenty this year. I congratulate Mrs Sharon O’Neill Brown, the Executive and the many other committees on all their accomplishments this year. We appreciate the friend raising in our community and all your fundraising efforts that will benefit the students of the College now and in future years. I would also like to thank our parents who have been in the role of a class rep this year.

Thank you to every member of our Bosco Community for sharing the journey with us in our second year and allowing the staff here at St John Bosco to work with you as partners in educating your children. The Team at St John Bosco wish you a peaceful and joyous Advent Season as we look forward to celebrating the Birth of Jesus at Christmas.

Yours in Christ

Kevin Sheehy
Principal
HIGHLIGHTS IN OUR SECOND YEAR

- Students commence their first day on February 1 2016
- Bosco Community Day Assembly (Celebration of our Founder St John Bosco)
- Ash Wednesday Liturgy
- Commissioning Mass for Staff at St Mary’s Cathedral
- Year 3 Commitment Mass and Family Masses
- Fruits of the Holy Spirit Assemblies
- Incursions and Excursions
- Wine and Cheese evening with guest speaker Gabriella Guagliardo
- Grandparents Morning
- Easter Liturgy and Celebration and Easter Hat Parade
- Three Year Old Education Program commences at the College
- Aboriginal Families as First Educators Program commences
- First Year 3 students completing the Bishops’ Religious Literacy and NAPLAN
- ANZAC Ceremony
- Mother’s Day Morning Tea and Kindy and Pre-Primary Pamper afternoon
- Cystic Fibrosis Day
- Bosco Student Disco
- National Catholic Education Commission Conference
- OSHCWA Conference
- Staff Professional Learning Days
- NAIDOC Week Celebrations
- First Baptism at St John Bosco
- Year 2 Retreat at St Francis Xavier Parish
- Year 3 Reconciliation Retreat at Schoenstatt Centre
- Year 3 Reconciliation Workshop at St John Bosco
- Go Dance and Edu Dance Concerts
- School Banking
- Bosco Saints Netball
- Subway Lunches
- Friends of St John Bosco Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings
- Mass for the Birthday of St John Bosco
- Scholastic Book Fair and Book Week Dress Up Day and Parade
- College Open Night (Learning Journeys)
- Father’s Day Morning Tea
- Staff Retreat and Faith Story and Witness
- Life-Link Day with Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB at Lake Monger Reserve
- Bosco Athletics Carnival
- Bosco Allstars Colour Run
- First day on our new College Oval
- World Diabetes Day