



# Christian Brothers' Agricultural School, Tardun

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**Newsletter no. 1 — 09/01/2008**

**From the Principal  
Mr. Nicholas Lynch**

*Dear Parents, Friends, Past Pupils and Students,*

A warm welcome to 2008, and a warm welcome to the many new families that will be commencing their association with CBAS, Tardun.

This year marks the 80th anniversary since the opening of the school in 1928. This would have been no easy feat, having currently experienced the extreme temperatures (with an air conditioner) over the Christmas break.

Reminders to all students regarding the **commencement of school on January 22nd**. Existing students need to be back for tea on Tuesday at 6pm. New students have orientation starting at 10am on the 22nd of January. Details of student pick ups can be found in this newsletter.

Over the Christmas break our community has been saddened by the news of a number of deaths.

Past student - Mr John Donnelly.

Mother of Andrew Scott (year 9) - Teena Scott.

Grandmother of Declan Parson (year 9).

And the very public Christmas Day death of past student William Rowe.

ETERNAL LIFE GRANT TO THEM O LORD  
AND PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

*Amen*

These sad deaths are a timely reminder of how unpredictable life can be and the importance of family and friends in our grieving process.

As we start this new year, students are reminded of the 5 principles of Tardun.

- ◆ Participation
- ◆ Be family
- ◆ Honesty
- ◆ Respect people and property
- ◆ Safe and legal
- ◆ Respect and protect our environment

These principles help our sons/daughters grow into positive citizens and in particular through the boarding experience they develop life skills which hold them in good stead for the future. Throughout term one, during night prayers each principle will be explained to the students in more detail.

We wish last years year 12's good luck in their new ventures.

Joel Marsh - Army

Joshua Job - Boiler maker

Edmund Bin Sudin - TAFE

## **A few reminders:**

### **Camps term one**

Year 8 (4 - 7 February) Jurien Bay.

Year 10 (21—29 February) Outward Bound.

More details will be sent out at the beginning of term. Please return any outstanding permission forms.

### **Term 1**

Term 1 ends at Easter and students are not expected back until 28 April

### **Uniforms**

Please ensure your child comes to school with the full school uniform. Uniforms can be ordered through the school office. All items must be labelled, clothing tags can be ordered (see flyer). They are sew on or iron on tags. Formal school uniform will be collected and stored for each student - this will ensure it is not lost and that it is kept clean and ironed.

### **Mobile phones/electrical gear**

Mobile phones are not permitted during school times, they must be handed in to the front office. Mobile phones are a problem at night time, some students tend to use them after lights out. If this is the case they will be collected by the dorm parent at lights out.

Electrical items, that are not battery operated will need to be tagged by a qualified electrician in accordance with OSHW regulations. Private TV's and DVD players are not permitted at the boarding house. This is to ensure good sleeping habits, and suitability of viewing material. Further information on tags for mobile charges etc will be in a later newsletter. Once tagging has been completed, students will not be allowed to plug in any electrical appliance that has not been certified. These items will be sent home.

### **School Diary**

Students will be issued with a school diary. This is to ensure Homework is recorded and to further improve communication between school and boarding. The diary also contains other various information. It is expected students will use the diary on a daily basis.

### **Orientation Day**

Is on 22nd January 2008 commencing at 10am. At the conclusion of this day there will be an afternoon tea for all new and current parents/friends at 3pm to meet teachers and other staff and fellow parents.

### **Anti Harassment Policy (Child Protection)**

Anti Harassment policy will be given out and explained to all students on the first day of Term one. A copy will be included in the next newsletter. This anti harassment policy applies to both boarding and school.

Protection of children is a priority at Christian Brothers Agricultural School, Tardun and staff, students and parents are encouraged to ring or speak to myself if there are any issues of concern, or if things occur that they are not happy about and need addressing. Please contact the school with issues and they will be dealt with in a confidential manner.

## **Term 1 2008 student travel**

**Parents/Caregivers, you are encouraged to bring your child out to the school at the beginning of term. This will help to settle them and gives you an opportunity to meet staff members. The CBAS bus from Geraldton is for students coming off flights or extended bus travel. In the event of an emergency you can call the school office to book a seat. The bus leaves from the Geraldton Railway Station at 2.30pm on Tuesday 22nd January, 2008.**

# 2008 Staff List

## Brothers

### **Bro John Marks**

Community leader and Business Manager

### **Br John Walsh**

Farm Manager

### **Br Len Newman**

Semi retired farmer

## Teaching staff

### **Mr Nick Lynch**

Principal, Mathematics

### **Mr Grant Howarth**

Deputy Principal, Art, SOSE, Music

### **Ms Anita Krippner**

English, PE, SOSE

### **Mr Phil Turner**

RE Co-ordinator, Religion, SOSE,

### **Ms Geraldine Noonan**

Science, Mathematics, RE

### **Mrs Rebecca Lynch**

IT, RE

### **Mr Brett Smith**

Maths, Science, Farm Prac

### **Mr Joe Marchio**

Woodwork and Construction

### **Mr Colin Campbell**

Metalwork, Mechanics, IT

### **Ms Noelene Turner**

Equine studies

### **Mr Tyrone Papertalk**

Aboriginal Teacher Assistant

### **Mr Jimmie Mongoo**

Aboriginal Teachers Assistant

## Boarding staff

### **Female boarding staff (St Mary's campus)**

**Ms Lynn Bidwell**

**Ms Bronwyn Blattman**

### **Male boarding staff (St Joseph Campus)**

**Mr Jim Sandy**

**Mr Nick Miles**

**Mr Terry Spencer**

**Mr Reg Carnamah**

## Office Staff

**Ms Janette Burges**

Business Administrator

**Ms Laurie Fletcher**

Administration

## Axillary Staff

**Mr John Callaghan**

Maintenance

**Mrs Rebecca Lynch**

Development Officer

**Ms Stephanie Hensley**

Development Officer

**Ms Jo Easom**

Promotions

**Mr Henry Collins**

Laundry

**Ms Rae Maclannan**

Cleaner

**Ms Gina Marchio**

Librarian

**Ms Janet Campbell**

Assistant

**Mr Bevan Turner**

Maintenance

**Ms Allanah Langton**

Farm

## Kitchen Staff

**The kitchen is run by Beamer Nominees**

**Toby Shelly**

**Susan Joyce**