10th May 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

St Joseph’s Catholic College annual athletics carnival will be held at the Mingara Regional Athletics Track, Tumbi Umbi on Wednesday 25th May. Parents are warmly invited to attend. The athletics carnival is a compulsory college event and students are required to be at the track for the entire day. Please do not make appointments for this day or ask to collect your daughter from the carnival before it concludes at 2.00pm. If there are any difficulties please speak to your daughter’s Year Leader prior to the day.

Please note the following organisational details:

**Time**
The Carnival will run from **8.30am – 2.00pm**.

*Students wishing to compete in the 1500m and the 16 & 17+ years high jump must be at the track by 8.30am as these will be held as early events.*

**Transport and permission notes**

- Students catch their normal school bus to school and assemble in Carroll Court for rolls to be marked. Buses will transport students to the venue between 8.30am and 9.00am. The only exception to this is students competing in the early events mentioned above and those students going directly to Mingara.
- Students living close to Mingara can make their own way to the venue either by walking or driven in a parent’s car. Parents of these students are asked to sign the first permission note on page 3 and return it to pastoral teachers by **Tuesday 17th May**. Students must arrive at the venue **between 8.30am and 9.00am**.
- Year 12 students who have completed the Student Driver Agreement and are approved to drive to school are permitted to drive to the venue. Parents of these students are asked to sign the second permission note on page 3 and return it to pastoral teachers by **Tuesday 17th May**.
- If students are being collected at the end of the carnival by parents they must be collected from outside the venue.

**Cost**

Students: **$2.00**

The $2 entry charge is donated to the Children’s Orphanage in Mumbai, India, which is visited annually by a group of Year 11 students. This is to be paid by students as they board buses at the college or when they enter the gate at Mingara Athletics Track if they are going directly to the venue.
Uniform
All Students must wear regulation runners/joggers to and from the venue. Spikes may only be worn by competitors – 7mm maximum for track and 9mm maximum for throws and jumps.

Years 7 – 10: School sport shorts and coloured house shirt must be worn to school - students may change into house attire at the venue.
Years 11 and 12: Wear appropriate house coloured mufti.

Lunch
The canteen will be operating and there will be a sausage sizzle run by Year 12.

Rules
- Attendance rolls will be marked in pastoral classes.
- Local students may leave the venue after the final roll is marked if they have handed in the attached permission note to their pastoral teacher prior to the carnival.
- Students are expected to attend for the entire day. Students leaving the carnival early for an exceptional reason are to sign out with me.
- Students are not permitted to leave the venue for any reason during the carnival.

Other Events
Javelin and discus events will be completed at school during lunch time. Students will be advised through daily notices when the events for their age/year group are to be held.

Parent Help
Parents are invited to assist with marshalling, timekeeping, and running field events. Please contact Mrs Debbie Northey at the college (debra.northey@dbr.catholic.edu.au) if you can assist and if relevant, nominate your area of interest or previous experience.

Please sign the appropriate permission slip over the page and return to your daughter’s pastoral teachers by Tuesday 17th May. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your daughter’s Year Leader at the college.

Yours sincerely,

Helen M Love
Assistant Principal
Please complete and return to Pastoral Teachers by Tuesday 17th May

1. Permission for my daughter to make her own way to and from the carnival

Student name: ................................................................. Pastoral class: .........................
will be making her own way to and from the pool and has permission to participate in events.

Parent/Carer signature: .......................................................... Date: .........................

Parent name: ..................................................................................

2. Permission for my daughter to drive to and from the carnival

Student name: ................................................................. Pastoral class: .........................
will be driving to and from the pool in a car with rego number ................. and has permission to participate in events.

Parent/Carer signature: .......................................................... Date: .........................

Parent name: ..................................................................................