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Calendar Dates

July

- 27 – 31 Yr 11 W'placement – hospitality
HSC trial exams – 11 days
28 – 29 Yellow Bellied Gliders
Yr 10 @ Zoo
30 2016 College Capt & V-Capt interviews

August

- 3 Yr 11 2016 Subject Selection evening 6pm
3 Future Council exc – 4 Yr 10 students
3-7 Yr 11 W'placement – retail
7 Census
Feast day Mass of St Mary of the Cross
10 Staff Spirituality Day (pupil free)
10-14 Yr 11 W'placement – bus services
11 BBSSA athletics
11 – 13 Yr 11 2016 Subject Selection interviews
13 YB Glider Yr 10 all day
14 Yr 10 Hist exc to Jewish Holocaust Museum
Yr 10 Geog exc
18 Yr 9 2016 Elective choice evening – 7pm
19 Yrs 9,10,11 Music & Dance Exc
YB Glider Yr 10 all day

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A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Students and Staff

Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop



On Friday 7th August, our school community will be celebrating the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop with a celebration of Eucharist at Saint Patrick's Church East Gosford at 9.30am. All year groups from Year 7 to 10 will be attending. All students, with their Pastoral teachers, will be walking up to the church and then back to school for morning tea and normal afternoon lessons.

As celebrations of this important event occur in our schools and churches it is timely to remember not only Mary but the significant contribution that she and her sisters have made to catholic education in Australia. She was an extraordinary woman who 'never saw a need without doing something about it.' Like the many religious nuns, brothers and priests who were instrumental in bringing education to hundreds of thousands of children in Australia, she believed that it is through education that social inequality can be alleviated. So many of us have better lives and have had great opportunities because of the selflessness and courage of these fine men and women.

Term 3

Looking through our calendar for the 10 weeks of Term 3 it is clear to see that we are in for a very busy term ahead. Term 3 is a very significant one for our Year 12 students as it sees them finish their formal lessons at the college. Throughout this term they will be involved in trial HSC examinations, they will complete their major works for the HSC and their formal school assessment, and they will be involved in farewell ceremonies to make their end of schooling here at St Joseph's. For our Year 11 students this term also marks the end of their preliminary year, giving them the foundations for their HSC year which begins in Term 4. For students in Years 7 – 10, continued efforts are required inside the classroom and at home to ensure that significant progress is made in their learning this term. Added to this, many students will be involved in the many sporting teams and groups that will represent the college this term. Also this term, students in Years 8 and 10 will have the opportunity to make some decisions about subject selection for 2016. These major activities will be coupled with many daily activities that will, I'm sure make the term not only busy but also extremely rewarding for the students. We wish all of our students the very best for another very productive term. Remember that the effort and hard work that you put into your learning will be reflected in the results that you receive throughout the term and that the small daily efforts are often the most significant ones.

Year 12 Trial HSC Examinations

We wish all Year 12 students the best of luck as they prepare for their trial HSC exams which commence on Monday 27th July (Week 3). These exams make up an important component of the student's assessment marks for their HSC. They also serve as a valuable indicator of student progress towards their actual HSC exams in October/November.

The rest of the school community can support Year 12 over the two weeks of

the exams by praying for their success and by being considerate towards them by keeping noise levels down around the examination rooms. Many of these trial HSC exams run throughout recess, lunch and after school, so being mindful of keeping noise down at these times will help Year 12 to maintain concentration throughout their exams.

MADD Night

A very big congratulations to all the students and staff involved in our MADD (Music, Art, Dance and Drama) night last Thursday. The talent and performance of our students was outstanding and clearly demonstrated their amazing talent, along with the wonderful teaching and support that has been provided by our Creative and Performing Arts staff. The night was thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attended. Thank you also to the parents and family members who supported the evening by their attendance.

Woolworths – Earn & Learn

The Woolworths – Earn & Learn program has started again for 2015. From Wednesday 15th July, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect stickers from the checkout operator and place them on sticker cards. These sticker cards can also be collected from the checkout operators. You will receive one sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Once completed, you can send the sticker card into school for collection at the administration office. The program closes on Tuesday 8th September. The more sticker cards we collect the more teaching and learning resources we are able to receive for the school. If you are shopping at Woolworths over the next 2 months please collect your stickers and have your daughter bring them to school and place them in the collection box in the administration office.

Facebook Page

As mentioned at the end of Term 2, we have launched a college Facebook page that is aimed at keeping our school community updated with information of what is happening at St Joseph's each week. Our aim is to update the page on a regular basis to ensure that relevant and timely information is shared with our school community. If you are a Facebook user we would ask that you get on and like our page so that we can start sharing news and achievements with you.

https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Josephs-Catholic-College-East-Gosford/815189451903310?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

Parking Around the College

Please see the attached document at the back of Joey's Journal titled 'Parking Around Your Local Community'. We are currently working with Gosford Council to help alleviate some concerns from local residents concerning parking around the college. Part of the approach from Council is to provide an overview of parking rules to all senior students at both St Edward's and St Joseph's to help ensure that they are

parking legally each day and so that they do not incur any parking fines.

Staff Development Day

On **Monday, 10th August** (Week 5) St Joseph's staff will be involved in a Staff Spirituality Day. Trial HSC exams will continue for Year 12 students on this day but for all other students it will be a **Pupil Free Day**.

God bless and best wishes for the fortnight ahead.

Tony McCudden
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Term 3 is gathering pace with Year 12 students about to commence their HSC trial examinations and Year 11 students beginning the final topics in most subjects to complete their Preliminary HSC. Girls in Years 7 – 10 are settling back into the routines of class work and the variety of activities that are part of life here at Joeys. Year 11 students who travelled to India at the end of Term 1 and to Warmun at the end of Term 2 shared their experiences with us at an Immersion Assembly to begin the term last week. Our dramatists, dancers and choreographers, musicians, vocalists and artists presented a sensational MADD night last week. Netball and soccer teams have competed and we presented Principal Awards to students in Years 7 – 11 for outstanding achievement and for consistent application throughout first semester

Student Leaders for 2016

Year 11 students who applied to be our college leaders in 2016 presented a speech to their peer group yesterday before a secret ballot vote by staff and Year 11 students. The speeches and creative pitches very impressive and demonstrated the considerable leadership potential of our Year 11 students. A short list of candidates will be interviewed next week.

Applications for the following leadership positions in the college are due over the next few weeks:

- Year 12 House Leader – applications from current Year 11 students due Aug 7
- Year 11 House Leader – applications from current Year 10 students due Aug 7
- 2016 SRC rep – applications due to Year Leaders Aug 7
- Peer Tutor - applications from current Year 10 students due Aug 21
- Peer Mentor - applications from current Year 9 students due Aug 21

Our model of leadership is based on service and we constantly challenge our student leaders to use their position of leadership to 'serve their community, and to aspire to making the community a better place through their leadership by encouraging all people in it to be better people today than they were yesterday'. It is a

credit to our students that so many of them seek to serve in these positions.

Anti-bullying Policy and Cybersafety Guidelines

An up-dated Anti-bullying Policy will be uploaded to our website early next week. It sets out clear definitions of bullying and how incidents of bullying are managed when reported to the college. I invite all parents to read the policy. We are also in the process of preparing guidelines for managing cybersafety issues at the college to create and maintain a cybersafety culture in which information and communication technologies are used safely and responsibly to enhance learning, collaboration, relationships and administration. These guidelines will be emailed to parents in due course.

It is timely to remind parents that the government has appointed a Children's eSafety Commissioner and created a new organisation called the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner to absorb the Australian Communications and Media Authority's (ACMA) Cybersmart program. Please note that the legislation establishing this new framework allows children (and their parents) suffering from serious cyberbullying to contact the eSafety Commissioner to have content removed if social media companies do not remove offending content after it has been reported to them. Very valuable information for parents can be accessed on the Commissioner's website – www.esafety.gov.au

College disco

The next college disco will be held on Thursday 13th August in the ERC from 7pm. It is the final college disco for Year 12 so attracts large numbers and understandably, Year 12 are quite nostalgic. College leaders from Joeys and Eddies are meeting today to choose the theme. Students will be advised at Monday's assembly. A dress code applies to all students attending the disco and we ask parents to ensure that girls are dressed for a school disco rather than a night club whether they dress at home or at a friend's house. Girls who do not meet our dress standard will not be permitted to enter the disco and parents will be called to collect them.

The same dress standards are published prior to every disco and include:

- Tops and bottoms (shirts and pants/skirts) must meet to cover the midriff.
- Backless or strapless tops and low cut tops are unacceptable.
- Skirts, dresses and shorts must be an appropriate length. Please note that the preferred skirt/dress length of the casual clothing worn by students outside school is considered too short for a school disco. Shorts will be judged 'too short' if they do not have a distinct leg length when measured

from the crutch. Girls should wear tights underneath any shorts, skirts or dresses that may be considered too short.

- High heels (stilettos) are not permitted; they damage the floor in the ERC.

Attendance rules are put in place to ensure that everyone has a safe and enjoyable evening. These rules include:

- Students with an outstanding afternoon detention and students who have lost their privilege for disciplinary reasons are not permitted to attend the disco.
- Students pay \$10 to attend the disco. This covers the \$7 entry fee into the ERC and a \$3 donation to the charities supported by Year 12 and the college community. All students are provided with a raffle ticket and go into a draw for Erina Fair shopping centre vouchers to be drawn at college assembly the following Monday.
- Students may not leave the disco unless accompanied by a parent.
- Parents are asked to collect students promptly at 10.00pm. We ask parents not to enter the disco area, but to wait in the bus shelter area or outside the college grounds.
- Students may be breath tested as part of the entry procedure, or during the evening if there is a reasonable suspicion that alcohol has been consumed.

Please remember also that the disco cannot run without the assistance of parents so if you can give a little time on the evening please leave your name, available times and phone number with college reception (43244022). We ask that you call the college in person or send a written note with your daughter so that we can be certain that you have agreed to be a volunteer.

If you have any questions or queries about dress or attendance at the disco please call me at the college.

Uniform matters

I am sure we have all felt the cold in recent weeks. It has been bitter and cold enough to be making headlines. It is not difficult to get the girls into blazers and stockings so just a reminder please that students are to wear their school jumper or cardigan under their blazer and not a fleece of any other non-regulation jumper. I have been encouraging them to wear a long sleeve t-shirt or spencer under their school shirt for added warmth. Convincing them that a longer skirt would be warmer is not proving as easy so I ask for continued parent support to lower skirt hems please.

Thank you in advance for your support of our college. I hope it is an enjoyable and successful term for all.

Helen Love
Assistant Principal

FROM THE LEADER OF LEARNING AND TEACHING

Parent teacher evenings 8 – 11

Parent teacher evenings for Years 8 - 11 are being held over two evenings on Monday 20th July and Wednesday 29th July. Many thanks to parents who came along last Monday to meet with staff. These evenings are a valuable opportunity to meet with your daughter's teachers and discuss her progress throughout the first semester this year.

Year 12 trials and HSC

The Year 12 trial HSC examinations start Monday 27th July and all students return to school on Tuesday 11th August. All students are reminded to read their examination timetables and instructions carefully during the next fortnight. The timetable is available on the college website. Note there are different starting times for the afternoon examinations.

The Society and Culture PIP, major works in English Extension 2, Industrial Technology Timber, Textiles and Design and Visual Arts as well as the HSC practical examinations in Dance, Languages, Music and Drama will be completed in the next few weeks. These major projects and performances form a significant part of each student's HSC mark.

Best wishes to Year 12 for their trial examinations and upcoming HSC projects and performances.

Thinking of going to uni next year? Then please read the information about University Open Days at the end of this newsletter.

Year 11 2016 subject selection evening

This important evening will be held on Monday 3rd August for all current Year 10 students and their parents/carers. On the night packages containing the Year 11 2016 Subject Information Handbook, subject selection sheets and other relevant information will be distributed. There will be an initial presentation detailing the BOSTES and college Stage 6 requirements and then an opportunity for parents and students to meet with Leaders of Learning and teachers to discuss Preliminary and HSC courses in various locations around the school. Invitations letters for the information evening were sent home with your daughter last week.

The Year 11 2016 Subject Information Handbook is available on the college website at sjcc.nsw.edu.au/learning-and-teaching:

Year 11 2016 information evening – Monday 3rd

August starting at 6pm

**Interviews with Year 10s about their subject choices
Tuesday 11th – Thursday 13th August**

Year 10 Canberra excursion

Year 10 will be participating in a three day excursion to Canberra in Term 4. This will give students the opportunity to visit the nation's capital and engage in a range of learning experiences with curriculum links to future study in Stage 6 courses. More specific information will be sent home closer to the date.

**Canberra excursion dates: Monday 30th
November – Wednesday 2nd December 2015**

This excursion will to be an enjoyable and valuable experience for your daughter as she concludes Stage 5 and prepares for her final two years at the college.

Year 9 2016 information evening

The Year 9 2016 information evening will provide current Year 8 parents/carers and students with information regarding elective choices for next year and the Record of Student Achievement (RoSA). On the night the Stage 5 Subject Information Handbook, subject selection sheets and other information will be issued. The evening will commence with a presentation detailing requirements for the RoSA. Parents and students will then have the opportunity to meet with staff to discuss the elective courses on offer next year. The Stage 5 Subject Information Handbook will be available on the college website next week in the Learning and Teaching section.

**The Year 9 2016 information evening will be held
on Tuesday 18th August at 7pm in the Dewey
Centre for all Year 8 students and their parents.**

Year 7 Connected Learning expo save the date!

Year 7 have begun their major Connected Learning project for the year: WOW – *the wonder of water*. Each group will be presenting their WOW project at the Connected Learning Expo evening in Term 4, see date below. All families are invited to attend what will be an interesting and enjoyable evening.

Year 7 expo date – Tuesday 17th November 2015

**Kathy West
Leader of Learning and Teaching**

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

School Fees

A number of families are behind on fee payments this year. On every statement your next payment due date is clearly marked and it is important that you try to adhere to this payment due date to ensure cashflow for college operations.

Please, if you are not able to maintain payments as per your payment schedule or are facing serious financial hardship, contact the college and let us know of your situation. Arrangements can be made that will make payments more manageable. All conversations are private and confidential.

If you pay by standard instalments please note that your final payment is due today (Friday July 24 2015). If you pay weekly, fortnightly or monthly please continue to pay as per your schedule.

Nicole Murphy
Business Manager

FROM CAREERS CORNER

Wyong TAFE

Have you been out of the workforce for a while?
Do you want a head start on a career change now?
Have you been made redundant?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, Certificate II in Skills for Work and Training is for you!
This 6 months course runs 4 days per week during school hours.

For those of you wanting to go on to further study at University or TAFE, we are also offering a Tertiary Preparation Certificate.

Call Bronwyn 43502375 or Kathryn 4350 2335 for more information or to arrange to start in term 3.

Chris Wilkinson
Careers Adviser

Open days 2015			
APM College of Business and Communication The Rocks 3 May, 8 August Australasian College of Natural Therapies Pymont 3 May, 8 August Australian Catholic University Canberra campus 29 August North Sydney campus 5 September Strathfield campus 12 September Australian College of Applied Psychology Information nights 14 July, 12 August, 11 November For information on upcoming information evenings and open days, visit www.acap.edu.au Australian Maritime College Beauty campus 30 August Newnham campus 30 August Campus tours can be arranged by appointment year round. Visit www.amc.edu.au/visit-amc Australian National University 29 August For campus tours, visit http://anu.edu.au/study/events/campus-tours Billy Blue College of Design Ultimo 3 May, 8 August	Charles Sturt University Open day every day. For campus tours/appointments and course information, call 1800 DEGREE (1800 334 733) or visit www.csu.edu.au/campusour CQUniversity Sydney campus 2-6pm, 13 August Virtual Open Day (online only) 10am-6pm, 10 September For more information, visit www.cqu.edu.au/events Griffith University Gold Coast campus 26 July International College of Management, Sydney Manly campus 16 August Jansen Newman Institute Pymont 3 May, 8 August La Trobe University Albury-Wodonga campus 28 August Mildura campus 19 August For other campuses visit www.latrobe.edu.au/openday/ Macleay College Surry Hills 22 August For a personalised campus tour, call 1300 939 888. Macquarie University 12 September	MIT Sydney For campus tours/appointments and course information, call (02) 8067 1400 or visit www.mit.edu.au or visit www.csu.edu.au/campusour National Art School 29 August SAE Creative Media Institute Sydney and Byron Bay campus 8 August For up-to-date information, visit http://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events or freecall 1800 SAE EDU (1800 723 338) SIBT 29 August Southern Cross University Coffs Harbour campus 7 December Lismore campus 9 December Gold Coast campus 11 December For more information visit www.scu.edu.au/scuinfodays The Hotel School Sydney 12 September For more information visit hotelschool.scu.edu.au/about/infodays University of Canberra 29 August University of New England 1 May For personalised tours, freecall 1800 818 865 or visit www.une.edu.au/campusours	University of Newcastle Newcastle campus (Callaghan) 22 August Central Coast campus (Durrimbah) 15 August Port Macquarie campus 6 August University of Sydney 29 August University of Technology, Sydney City and Kuringgai campus 29 August University of Western Sydney Parramatta campus 30 August UWS Campus Experience tours are held throughout the year. To register, visit www.uws.edu.au/campusexperience or call 1300 897 669. University of Wollongong Wollongong campus 15 August Sydney CBD campus 29 August UNSW Australia Kensington campus 5 September UNSW Canberra at the Australian Defence Force Academy 29 August William Blue College of Hospitality Management The Rocks 3 May, 8 August

Yellow-bellied Glider Magic of the Night



Bouddi National Park

Sat 5th and 12th September

Join this night walk run by National Parks and Wildlife and search for Yellow-bellied Gliders with an expert guide. Walk through the Loop Track in this special area by torch light.

Time: 6-8 pm

Cost: \$3 per person / \$6 per family (2A 2C)

Meeting Place: Given on booking Ph 43204205 by 12 pm the day before.



National Tree Plant Tree Day- Sunday 26th July

Project Habitat aims to restore habitat where a locally threatened species is present. We have been working with Gosford City Council in the Kincumber Nature Reserve, assisting the Yellow-bellied Glider. We will be planting Swamp Mahogany to function as a critical winter pantry site within the reserve that will provide food and shelter, especially during the winter months.

While the aim of the day is getting residents involved in their local bushland, we would also like to invite everyone who is interested in attending!! The day will kick off with a free BBQ with animal encounters (including Fergus the YBG!) and tree planting occurring throughout the day.

When: Sunday 26th July (National Tree Day)

Time: 9:00am – 12:30pm

Where: Koolang Rd, Green Point, Kincumber (opposite Quattroville PI)

What to bring: Make sure you wear warm, comfortable clothes (preferably long pants and shirts) with closed-in shoes, hat and work gloves.

In the event of wet weather, the day will still go ahead but we will be stationed at the Green Point Community Centre, approximately 250m up the road. If you have any questions about the day, please feel free to contact me.

Michelle Durkan
Bradleys Head Road

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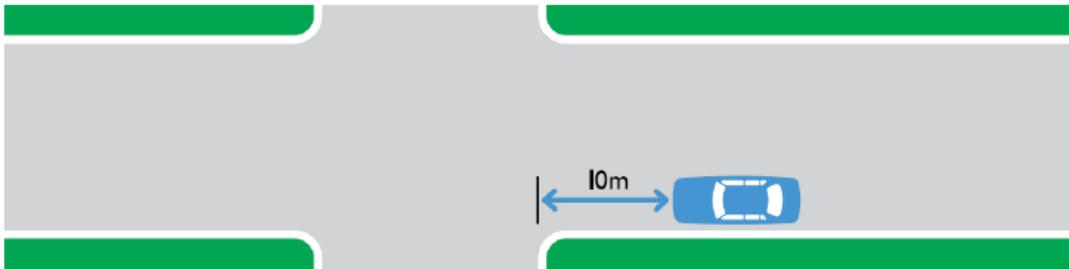
Parking Around Your Local Community

Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others.

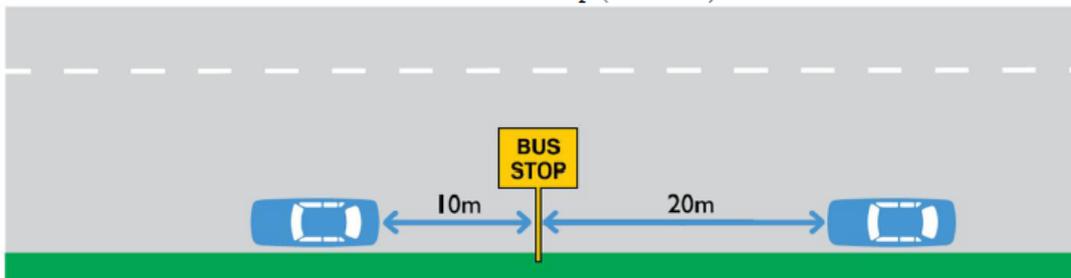
General parking rules

You must not stop your vehicle (that is, bring it to a stop and either stay with the vehicle or leave it parked) in the following circumstances:

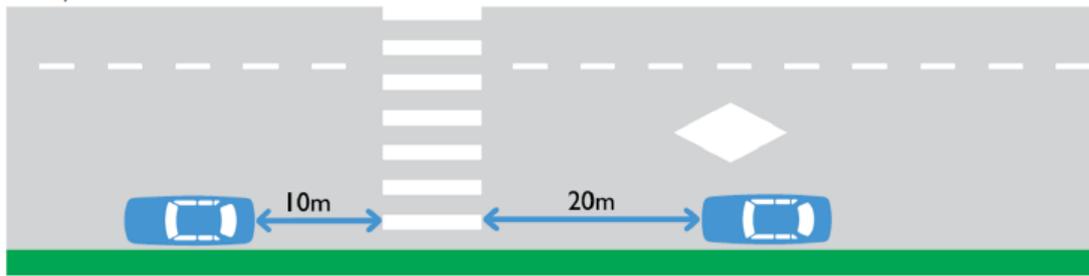
- Double parked (that is in the road alongside a car that is parked).
- Across a driveway or footpath.
- On a median strip or traffic island.
- On footpaths and nature strips.
- Between, BUS STOP, BUS ZONE, TAXI STAND or TAXI ZONE signs.
- Within an intersection.
- Within one metre of another vehicle parked in front or behind (does not apply when angle parking).
- Within 10 metres of an intersecting road at an intersection without traffic lights unless a sign allows you to park there (see below).



- Within three metres of any double centre lines.
- Within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a bus stop (see below)



- On or within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing (see below)

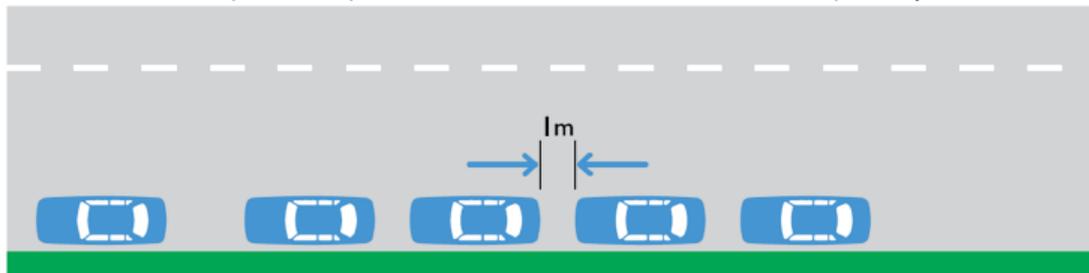


Parallel Parking

This is the usual way to park unless signs tell you otherwise.

You must park in the same direction as the adjacent traffic and parallel and as close as possible to the kerb.

You should be entirely within any marked lines and at least one metre from any other parked vehicle.



Please consider the neighbours surrounding your school and park in accordance with the law!

Fines and demerit points apply for parking infringements around school zones ranging from \$106 - \$425 and 2 demerit points.

RMS Road Users Handbook - www.rms.nsw.gov.au
Information correct as at the 1 July, 2015.

