Dear Families and Friends of the St Pius X Community,

Stephen Covey will be remembered most as the author of *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, which sold over 25 million copies. It has been many years since I first read “the habits” but I often refer to chapters or particular pages when I need a little inspiration to keep going. Although they were not completely original thoughts, the catchy labels he gave the habits made them memorable:

Habit 1: Be Proactive
Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind
Habit 3: Put First Things First
Habit 4: Think Win-Win
Habit 5: Seek First to Understand
Habit 6: Synergize
Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw

Below are 10 quotes from Stephen Covey that have the power to completely change the direction of one’s life.

- The key is not to prioritize what’s on your schedule, but to schedule your priorities.
- The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing.
- Live out of your imagination, not your history.
- Trust is the glue of life. It’s the most essential ingredient in effective communication. It’s the foundational principle that holds all relationships.
- Most of us spend too much time on what is urgent and not enough time on what is important.
- I am not a product of my circumstances. I am a product of my decisions.
- You have to decide what your highest priorities are and have the courage—pleasantly, smilingly, non-apologetically, to say “no” to other things. And the way you do that is by having a bigger “yes” burning inside. The enemy of the “best” is often the “good.”
- I teach people how to treat me by what I will allow.
- Love is a verb. Love – the feeling – is the fruit of love the verb or our loving actions. So love her.
- Live, love, laugh, leave a legacy.

**Uniform Issue**

The option of boys wearing grey socks has been discussed by the P & F and has been declined. The only socks to be worn are the official blue walk socks.

Have a splendid week.

Robert Emery
Principal

**Important Dates for Year 10**

**Dinner Dance**
Tuesday 11 December 6.30pm
Newcastle City Hall

**Graduation Ceremony**
Thursday 13 December 6.30pm
Griffith Duncan Theatre

**Last Day**
Friday 14 December 9.00am
St Pius X High School
“ThinkUKnow”
St Pius will be hosting an information night for parents presented by the Australian Federal Police in the new Theatre starting at 7.00pm on Wednesday 14 November. This presentation is aimed at parents, carers and teachers. The topics that will be covered include: cyber safety, security, Facebook, mobile phone use and how to keep your children safe.

St Pius X High School
Second Hand Uniforms
With the end of the year fast approaching and Year 10 students leaving, now is the time to advertise your child’s uniform in the Lion. Whether you are wanting to sell or buy second hand uniforms this is the place to do it.
For instructions, see the last page of this Newsletter.

Alinta Uniform Shop
SFX Uniforms
Alinta would like to encourage all students requiring new uniforms to utilise the fitting times prior to the end of term. By making appointments or visiting your uniform shop now, families can avoid unnecessary congestion experienced in January.
Alinta offers the opportunity to fit students with extreme sizing, with a personal service and the availability of lay-by facilities. Once correct sizing is established, there is on-line shopping available for your convenience. Full fittings for new students do require an appointment.

St Francis Xavier’s College
Second Hand Uniforms
We offer a parent to parent contact through our website www.hmltn.mn.catholic.edu.au

Step 1
Click on the ‘Product Catalogue’ link on the website (bottom left).

Step 2
To view items, login. Click on ‘Login Here’ (blue after the 3rd paragraph)
Username: hml.homeshare
Password: hml3032

Step 3
Click on the second hand clothing icon (left under Categories).

Step 4
Phone or email the parent from the list.
If you have any problems please contact the College on phone number 4961 2863. This is not a school managed initiative!

Helping Learner Drivers Become Safer Drivers
Newcastle City Council is offering free workshops for parents and supervisors of learner drivers that covers hands-on advice on how to provide the most effective driving practice.

Workshop 2
Tuesday 22 Jan 2013 – 5.30 to 7.30pm

Workshop 3
Tuesday 12 Mar 2013 – 5.30 to 7.30pm

Workshop 4
Tuesday 21 May 2013 – 5.30 to 7.30pm

Bookings essential on 49742667 to reserve a place.
**Important Dates for your Diary**

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**Canteen Roster**

If you are unable to attend your allotted day, please contact Janelle Oliver or Sharon Hart at the Main Office on 4957 1032 or the Canteen directly on 4013 2629.

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Music Department
Our Music Department together with Newcastle Suzuki Violin Studio are holding two concerts in the coming weeks. Students from the elective classes and performing arts group will present a selection of items at a Music Night on Friday 30 November. The Newcastle Suzuki Violin Studio under the direction of Nicole Cox will present their yearly concert on Sunday 25 November. Both concerts will take place in our fabulous new theatre “The Factory Adamstown”.

In previous years, Newcastle Suzuki Violin Studio has raised much needed funds for various causes in Newcastle with their yearly concert. This year, they have kindly offered to support our school. At the Violin Studio concert and at our St Pius X Music Night, there will be auctions and a major raffle. In order to help with the fund raising efforts, we are asking students and parents to offer their assistance.

Parents and friends can help in the following ways:

- Major prizes are needed for the Auction and Raffle. If you have a business or could donate any items, e.g. tickets, signed merchandise, pamper packages, electronic devices etc.

- Hamper donations for the raffle. These items could include: Christmas food and decorations, Beauty Packs, Bathroom Essentials etc. (Please commence bringing these items to Room MUS 1 and MUS 2 as soon as possible and speak to Mrs Elgar-Roberts or Mrs Lunarzewski.)

- Money donations can be made directly into the Greater Building Society Account (see below) or cheques can be made out to: Suzuki Talent Education Association and handed into our Main Office.

- Show support by attending one or both of these fabulous concerts.

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**Newcastle Suzuki Violin Studio Concert**

- When: Sunday 25 November 2012
- Time: 2.00pm
- Where: The Factory (SPX Adamstown Theatre)
- Tickets: Adult $15; Concession $5.00; Family $35.
- Tickets will be on sale on Friday 23 November from 2.30pm outside the “The Factory” or for more details contact Nicole Cox on 0425235436

**St Pius X Music Department Presents**

**Music Night – “One Love”**

- When: Friday 30 November
- Time: 7.00pm
- Where: The Factory Adamstown
- Tickets: Adults $10.00 Concession $5.00
- Tickets may be purchased from our Finance Office.

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Donations can also be made through The Greater Building Society, details as follows:

**Suzuki Talent Education Association**

**BSB:** 637-000  
**Account No:** 717106644
St Pius X High School Music Department teachers are enthusiastic about the exciting opportunities our new facilities will bring to our Music and Performing Arts students. We can only hope that with your involvement and contribution, our first concerts in the new theatre will be a great success and that much needed funds will be raised.

For further enquiries we can both be contacted at St Pius X High School on 4957 1032 or by email:

Mrs Elgar-Roberts Email: tahnee.elgar@mn.catholic.edu.au
Mrs Lunarzewski Email: ash.lunarzewski@mn.catholic.edu.au

**Sporting News**

**Girls Soccer**

In Newsletter No 16 last term the girls soccer teams were incorrectly listed. Our apologies for this error. The teams were made up of; Isabella Westall, Bree Redman, Sophie Draganic, Kate Ryan, Jessica Smith, Hannah Gapps, Shania Nugent, Sophie Gerardi, Lilly Chaffer, Victoria Parr, Nina Treacy, Natasha Mazalo, Jessica Innes, Emily Fuller, Tanika Pratten, Angela Sullivan, Sophie Mamic, Vanessa Lim, Caitlin Thomson, Emily Quick, Kirra Hurrell, Gabrielle Mence, Kate O’Rourke, Claire Cronin, Jade Cannon, Ella Searant, Kirara Roberts and Tayla Cannon.

*Michael Lee*

**Coach**

Congratulations to Ben Balcomb, Year 10, who last week competed as a member of the Under 17 NSW Country Cricket team in a trial against NSW City. What a wonderful achievement for Ben who shows real promise as an up and coming cricketer.

**Walkathon**

A big congratulations to everyone who assisted with the school Walkathon on 17 October. We had a beautiful day for our walk and a BBQ put on by the P & F Committee. Together we raised over $21,000 for the school. A special mention to Ethan Fowles in Year 7 who raised $600! Well done!

Students were rewarded with a range of prizes from Adidas – varying from Ninendo Wii to handballs. Thankyou to the School Captains, House Captains and Prefects for hosting the event and your efforts in motivating students and distributing prizes. Also, thankyou to staff and parents for your support of the day – a great event overall.

*Bonnie Tranchini*

**Co-ordinator**
Catholic Women’s League of Adamstown
The Catholic Women’s League of Adamstown is holding their Annual Diocese Mass. They are a great group of ladies who do so much good in the community. They would like to ask ‘the younger generation’ of catholic women to their Mass so their gifts will be known to the ‘women church leaders of the future’. No need to RSVP, simply turn up. I know Bishop Bill would also be heartened by your presence.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE AUSTRALIA - NEW SOUTH WALES Inc.
DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE

ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Friday 16 November 2012
11:00am
St Columba’s Church
153 Lockyer Street
ADAMSTOWN

Presider:
Bishop Bill Wright.

‘All are welcome in this place’
Alinta will be opening their shop from Monday 5 November to Friday 9 November 2012, for uniform fittings for Year 7, 2013. For any enquiries please logon to Alinta Uniform Shop website: alintaapparel.com.au and book a fitting time. The shop will also be open on Monday 21 January 2013 and Wednesday 23 January 2013 for Layby pick-ups or last minute items that need to be purchased.
Second Hand Uniforms

A large number of parents have expressed the need to have second hand uniforms available. St Pius X High School will be running a new service which will enable all parents to buy/sell second hand uniform items. The service will work in the following way:

1. Parent/s will fill out a form with the details of the item/s required to buy/sell and supply a contact number. This form will be available from reception, or alternatively you may email your details to admin@adamstownsp.catholic.edu.au.

2. These details will then be advertised in a special “Second Hand Uniform” section which will be on the back page of each newsletter, which commences with this Newsletter.

3. The advertisement will run for a month or two editions of the newsletter.

4. Parent/s will simply contact the number supplied and deal direct with the person buying/selling.

Please note that no second hand uniform items will be kept by St Pius X High School.

For any further information regarding Second Hand Uniforms please contact reception.

Second Hand Uniforms

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□ Buy               □ Sell (please tick)

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