Dear Families and Friends of the St Pius X Community

New Mission, Vision & Values Statements Adopted
St Pius X High School is pleased to announce its new Mission, Vision & Values Statements. These were formally adopted by the school on Wednesday 29 July 2015. Thanks to the whole school community for your participation in the process that has led to the development of these new statements. Your support of your school is greatly appreciated.

A very special thank you must go to the Writing Team: Simone Kelly (Chair), Mandy Willis, Pam Wynn, Sharon Gibson, Michelle Jenkins and Giavanna Angeli. This team did the final, excellent wordsmithing to express the sentiments of the whole community. The school Executive Team made some slight adjustments to the wording based on the results of the recent parent/staff survey asking for approval of the draft statements. These adjustments made no change to the essence or meaning of the statements.

The new statements are as follows.

Mission:
St Pius X High School is a Catholic community that nurtures faith, excellence and lifelong learning.

Vision:
We realise our Mission by:
- Witnessing to Gospel Values and Catholic tradition
- Ensuring our school is a safe place where all feel that they belong
- Enhancing student wellbeing and resilience so that students are prepared to embrace life’s challenges
- Fostering positive relationships based on inclusion, respect and tolerance
- Developing the spiritual, academic, physical and creative gifts of students
- Providing quality teaching and learning experiences
- Encouraging students to reach their full potential
- Working in partnership with parents, carers, parishes and the wider community
- Affirming staff as positive role models
- Empowering students to be responsible global citizens

Values:
The St Pius X High School community is guided by our House Charisms. We value:
- Outreach and Service
- Justice and Compassion
- Wisdom and Vision
ASPIRE
This year’s ASPIRE production of “Stranger Than Fiction” featured over 120 students from our Diocesan schools. The dancing, acting, singing and music combined to produce a wonderfully entertaining presentation.

Congratulations to all of our St Pius students who took part in this year’s production. You did yourselves, St Pius and the Catholic School System proud. Well done!

Congratulations & thanks to all of the talented Diocesan staff who laboured long and hard for many months to bring this production to fruition. The ASPIRE committee led by Assistant Director of Schools, Craig Wattam and Education Officer, Lisa Little, has done a fantastic job of planning and coordinating the whole event. Anna Kerrigan, the Artistic Director, has brought her vast experience and great talents in theatre production to the benefit of all involved in this exciting program.

Leave
I need to let you know that I will be on leave from 6 August to 19 August inclusive. Mr Stephen Dunn will be Acting Principal in my absence. Mr John McLoughlin will be Acting Assistant Principal, Dean of Studies and Mr David Pitfield will be Acting Studies Coordinator – PDHPE during this time. I wish Stephen, John & David all the best in these important leadership roles. I am sure they will acquit themselves very well indeed.

Have a peaceful week.

Robert Emery
Principal

St Pius X HS Adamstown NSW
Nurturing faith, excellence & lifelong learning.

Important Dates

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Curriculum
2016 Elective Information Evening
The Elective Information Evening for the parents of Year 8 students will be held in the school Theatre on Monday 10 August between 7.00pm and 8.00pm.

I will provide an explanation of the elective process and the place of elective subjects in the Record of Student Achievement (RoSA). Several Studies Coordinators will also be available to provide subject specific information.

Students will have received their Handbook during Week 4. Elective Handbooks will also be available at Student Services and on the school website.

Stephen Dunn
Dean of Studies

Ministry News
• If you have anything that you would like to pray for, there is a Special Intention Noticeboard in Student Services for everyone to use.
• Year 10 Retreat - Please return all forms, sooner rather than later, to Student Services.

Pam Wynn
Acting Ministry Coordinator

Cheerleading
The St Pius X Cheerleading team competed at the AASCF All Stars Battle held at Sydney Olympic Park on 25 and 26 July. The team got off to a rocky start with some injuries on the Saturday, but were able to compete on the Sunday because of the enormous efforts of Jemmason Renfrew and Hollie Wiggins. These students were at the event competing with their club teams, but stepped in to learn the St Pius routine with only a few run throughs.

Despite the interruption to our preparation the girls went on to perform an amazing routine with only a 1.5 point deduction to be crowned High School Level Two Champions. Thank you to all the parents who travelled with the students, and to all the team members for being such good representatives of St Pius and competing with great school pride. Thanks also goes to Mrs Kelly for her assistance, and to all the staff at East Coast All Stars Cheerleading for great coaching, impressive improvisations under pressure, and for fostering such a wonderful team and club spirit. A special mention must go to Emma England who broke her arm in the opening sequence of the performance on Day One and completed the whole routine to perfection, and to Dominique Byrne who competed injured on both days.


Looking ahead, the team will also compete at the NSW State Cheerleading: 4-6 September, Sydney Olympic Park (Sunday- Early Morning) and the Scholastic Nationals Cheerleading Championships 24-25 October, Sydney Olympic Park (One Day Only- TBA).

Any inquiries can be directed to: amanda.mohr@mn.catholic.edu.au

Amanda Mohr
Cheerleading Coach

Careers
Term 3 Work Experience will be held from Monday 14 September to Friday 18 September 2015. Any interested students, please see Mrs McCarthy.

Lisa McCarthy
Careers Adviser
Tuesday Morning Fitness
In Week 2 we recommenced our early morning fitness session for students – the term got off to a flying start with an amazing circuit in the Bus Shelter with Mr Pettett. In Week 3 Miss Williams treated us to a Crossfit Style WOD in the Sister Marie Centre. The session is run on a Tuesday morning from 8.00am and the session type changes every week. All students are welcome, it is free, and the sessions run for forty minutes. Coming up we have Yoga in Week 4, Stretch and Meditate in Week 5 and Circuit in Week 6. Contact Miss Mohr for details.

Amanda Mohr
Chisholm Coordinator

Food Technology News
At the moment the Year 9 Food Technology students are studying Food Equity – the unequal access and distribution of food around the world. Australia alone produces enough food for 60 million people even though we only have a population of 23 million. This unit looks at ways of reducing food wastage and distributing it better, especially to those in need.

Last week our Year 9 Food Technology students and the staff all donated a vegetable that was then used to create delicious soups for donation to OzHarvest.

The local branch of this food rescue organisation collects excess food from many food outlets and redistributes it to over 60 charities within the Hunter region. The students felt quite empowered knowing they would make such a difference to so many people, especially in this cold weather. Oz Harvest was able to collect 56 litres of soup for distribution. Many thanks to all the students and staff involved.

Cherie Borger, Helen Davies, Fiona Sutherland and Sarah Watson
Food Technology Teachers

Au revoir Julie and Louise
Today we farewelled our two French exchange students. The girls have been at St Pius since the beginning of the term attending classes and also visiting some of our Year 7 language classes to talk about France and particularly school life in France. I would like to thank the two girls, Louise and Julie for being so cooperative and so willing to answer the many questions our students had for them.

We would like to wish them all the best and hope that they have enjoyed their experiences here at St Pius. Thank you to the families who hosted the girls and their
host sisters Sophie Amanatides and Sasha Holz and also to the students who took the girls to their classes, Georgia Paras and Matilda Sloane. If you think your family may be interested in hosting a French student next year, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Gabriella Smith
LOTE Coordinator

French Exchange Students
Julie Duchet-Suchaux (16 years old) and I, Louise Roumegoux (15 Years old) have spent three weeks at St Pius High School as exchange students. We left Paris on 3 July and have stayed one month in Australia. We have made the most of our summer holidays to discover the Australian lifestyle and to improve our English. Julie is from Paris and I am from Bordeaux. Julie has been staying with Sophie Amanatides in Year 8 and has been in classes with Matilda Sloane in Year 10. I have been staying with Sasha Holz in Year 7 and have been in classes with Georgia Paras in Year 9.

We really wish to thank the Principal Mr Robert Emery and all the teachers and fellow students who have accepted us in their class and for their kindness. It was an amazing experience. Thanks a lot!

Louise Roumegoux
Julie Duchet-Suchaux

Culture Event
Sound Culture Events is holding a Youth Event and all students are invited. It will take place on Friday 25 September from 3.30pm at Newcastle’s PCYC. Live music and DJs will play on the night. Tickets available online at Soundculture.com. See posters around the school for more details, or checkout their facebook page www.facebook/soundculture.com.au

Carmel Wright
Dean of Students

Science and Engineering Challenge
On Tuesday 28 July students from both Year 9 and 10 went to Newcastle University for the Science and Engineering Challenge. There were seven other schools from all over Newcastle who also went to the University.

The students participated in a range of activities, these ranged from building a bionic hand out of straws to building an earthquake proof tower out of paper. The day was divided into two sections, the morning activities and the afternoon activities, whilst some groups like the hovercraft, bridge build and catapult did all day activities.

At the end of the day all the schools gathered to watch the bridge test. St Pius’ bridge managed to carry the Super Ingot across and gain 200 extra points for the school. During the whole day St Pius had either come 4th or 6th but managed to win the day with a total of 1060.61 points – we also received a plaque which is currently on display at the main office. It was a great day that was filled with challenging activities and friendly competition.

Olivia Boglev
Year 10 Student
### Canteen Roster
We are in desperate need of volunteers. If you can help out please call the Canteen number below. If you are unable to attend on 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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### Accounts Office

**Hours of operation:**
- **Monday to Thursday:** 8.30am to 3.00pm
- **Friday:** 8.30am to 2.30pm

Accounts can be paid weekly, fortnightly, monthly, per term via Bpay (Tuition fees only), direct debit, cash, credit card or cheque.

Please ensure all accounts due are finalised promptly.

### School Contact Details

St Pius X High School  
Park Avenue Adamstown  2289  
**Reception:**  02 4957 1032  
**Student Office:**  4013 2634  
**Fax:**  02 4957 5088  
**email:**  admin@adamstownsp.catholic.edu.au  
**web site:**  http://www.adamstownsp.catholic.edu.au  
**P & F Meetings:**  2nd Tuesday each month at 7.00pm

### Student Services
- If any personal contact details change, please update them with us **immediately** eg email address, phone numbers or home address.
- **It is imperative that at least one of the people you have nominated as an emergency contact can be reached at all times.**
Sport
Dio Rugby 7’s
The Diocesan of Maitland Newcastle Rugby 7’s was held recently at Passmore Oval Wickham. The boys listed below were a credit to our school and the St Pius X community playing all games in the true spirit of rugby.

Year 7/8

Year 9/10

DIOCESAN CHAMPIONS 2015
Year 7/8 Boys
Matthew Dal Molin, Claude Castaldi, Brendan Levey, Kovi Lendich, Jack Gleeson, Mekhi Ochoa, Tom Davies, Drew Sellers, Fletcher Kennedy, Tyran Duffield

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<td>vs St Joseph’s Lochinvar</td>
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Year 9/10 Boys
Ethan Fowles, Valentino Vangelov, Solomon Wellings, Lachlan Miller, Charlie Kelleher, Maxwell Cates, Cody Easton, Thomas Hanley, Jack Smith, Rhys Bray, Eli McCulloch

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TOUCH
Congratulations to Breannan O’Neill (Year 8) who has been selected into the 15yrs NSW Touch team. Bree recently travelled to Narrabeen where she represented NSWCCC in a two day selection trial playing against girls in the NSWCHS and NSWCIS teams. Bree and her NSW team mates will now travel to Adelaide in November where they will compete against both International and teams from the other Australian States in the Pacific School Games. This outstanding achievement is even more remarkable considering she is eligible to play in this age division again next year. Well done and Good Luck in Adelaide.
AN INVITATION TO CARERS

Do you provide care and support to another person?
You are invited to Carer Connections
Take the Opportunity to Connect with other Carers
and listen to our Guest Speaker!

Carers are usually family members or friends who provide support to children or adults who have a disability, mental illness, chronic condition or who are frail aged.

Guest Speaker: interrelate

Topic:
Strengthening Changing Relationships within Caring Roles

WHERE: Kahibah Sportsclub, 63 Kenibea Avenue, Kahibah
TIME: 10.00am – 12.00pm
COST: FREE - includes Morning Tea
WHEN: Tuesday 11 August 2015
RSVP: Wednesday 5 August 2015

For more information or to Register Contact
HNE Carer Education & Support Program – Hunter

on: 4924 6146 or 1300 887 776
or Email: Educare-Admin@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au
(We ask that you RSVP for catering purposes)
# St Pius X High School Uniform Shop

**Operating Hours**
- **School Term**
  - Monday: 10:30am – 12:30pm
  - Wednesday: 2:30pm – 4:30pm

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**Shoes**
Shoes should be black lace-up, able to be polished leather school shoes which do not extend over the ankle or have a platform. The leather should cover the whole upper foot for safety. Boots, joggers and sneakers are not permitted.

**Sports Shoes/PE Practical**
To be predominantly white, and should have laces or velcro straps, and be supportive of the foot during exercise.

**Please Note**
- Sizes not carried are available by order, however, production time (usually 80 days) must be allowed, and a 50% non-refundable deposit made upon order.
- For sizes 4XL and L22 and over, a $10 surcharge will apply.

Online orders are distributed from the Uniform Shop, therefore posting will occur on the next opening day of the Uniform Shop.

Payments can be made with Cash, Credit Card or Debit Credit Cards only.

Please contact your bank regarding individual access and availability of these facilities.

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Prices subject to change without notice
Second-Hand Uniforms

A large number of parents/carers have expressed the need to have second-hand uniforms available. St Pius X High School runs a service which enables all parents to buy/sell second-hand uniform items. The service works in the following way:

1. Parents/carers 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 are then advertised in a special “Second-Hand Uniform” section of each newsletter.

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

4. Parents/carers will simply contact the number supplied and deal directly 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.

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Second Hand Uniforms

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