

Learn, share and explore the amazing stories of work being done through Christian schools... *if you dare*



Service Learning Expo 2015

Melbourne - 17 November
10:00am – 3:00pm

St Andrews Christian College
130 Tyner Road
Melbourne, Vic 3000

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- Share how service is done in their school, in their communities, in Australia and overseas
- Learn what other schools are doing
- Attend seminars about service learning

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“DARE TO SERVE” – Service Learning Expo

**Tuesday 17th November,
2015 at St Andrews Christian
College (Multi-Purpose Hall)**

10:00am – 3:00pm

Although on-line registrations closed for this Expo, you can still attend by coming at 9:30am and paying at the door. Payment will be \$10.00, but you must **BYO** morning tea and lunch.

I don't want people to miss out on this fantastic event. We have such a fabulous program of international speakers,

presentations and workshops as well as displays from various organisations/missions.

‘Service’ changes people! When we serve as an outpouring of our love for God and for others it not only transforms the receiver, but especially the giver.

I know, that all who will attend this amazing Expo (students, teachers, parents, pastors, overseas visitors, missions) will be encouraged, challenged and inspired as to what they can do in our Lord's strength, not their own.

Hope to see you there!

Blessings,

Catriona

Brian Cox, one of the keynote speakers at Dare to Serve writes:

“I'm excited about the “Dare to Serve” Learning Expo that will be taking place in November.

Why does it excite me?

Because when we find the joy of serving; we express the nature of the Triune God most clearly.

“As an educator, when I see young people, gripped by the grace of the Gospel, taking

initiative to serve, I get immense encouragement. It is so rewarding to see young people reach out to others and live out the great generosity of God. It is so enriching to see young people find purpose and meaning in what they can give and receive through serving.

I want to share why “Dare to Serve” is so critical to young people. I want to show that this desire and passion to serve is actually in our DNA.

I want to tell you stories of young people who have made a difference in their areas of influence and have learned the joy of contribution and the grace of sharing with others. Some of them have influenced presidents, whilst others are unspoken heroes in unseen places.

I want to encourage you whether you are a school leader, a teacher, a parent, a student or simply someone who wants to be excited – come join us for “Dare to Serve Learning Expo”.

Sue Skuthorpe, New Hope International Chair and

Principal of Charlton Christian College, writes:

"What is the place of service learning in our schools?"

It is to help our students to understand that they have a purpose beyond themselves and the expectations of their parents and even their teachers.

Service learning, if embedded at school, brings an understanding of vocation, not just employment.

Christian Schools should be striving to develop service thinking in their students so that they can be of eternal use in the lives of people. It is important that our Christian Schools are at the forefront of preparing the next generation to be committed to the service of others.

Service learning and mission into other local and overseas cultures brings a vision to the hearts of young people of the need to overcome injustice and inequality; about the need for cultural partnerships which will help to overcome poverty; of ways in which sustainability can enrich not just small groups of people but whole communities and even nations.

It is not just about a ‘mission trip’ or a visit to a nursing home or homelessness in the local area. It is about heart change; a shift in attitudes; a love for people beyond themselves and their comfortable middle class ambitions; and a deepened understanding of the shallowness of our consumerist culture.

I have seen this happen at our school. I have seen students change because they have reached beyond themselves.

Bob Frisken – President of New Hope International writes:

“Dare to Serve has been arranged to strengthen the vision of Christian Schooling in Australia. If Christian schools are to maintain their vision it is particularly important that the next generation of leaders, who are likely to be people currently teaching in our schools, be encouraged to understand and be committed to this wonderful movement that has developed over the past 40 years.

Experience has shown that schools with a high emphasis on service learning maintain a strong commitment to the Lord and to keeping him central in the life of the school.

The speakers who will address the meetings are exceptional and very experienced leaders and speakers. They will challenge teachers, parents

and leaders in their commitment to the Lord and His ministry through Christian schooling."

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Dare to Serve Expo

Dear Parents,

I would like to invite you to attend Australia's first Expo on Service Learning called DARE TO SERVE.

This Expo is sponsored by New Hope International and is being held at St Andrews Christian College in Wantirna South, Melbourne on Tuesday 17th November (10am – 3pm) 2015, and in

Sydney at Pacific Hills Christian School.



The Expo will be a wonderful opportunity for people in Victoria to learn how service to God and others helps to shape their understanding of

their purpose in God's kingdom. DARE TO SERVE will feature outstanding international speakers, stimulating workshops and purposeful networking opportunities for schools, churches, mission organisations and individuals.

We serve, in response to our relationship with Jesus. An outpouring of our love for our Saviour leads to a life that wants to love others and serve in a way that brings glory to God.

The 'Dare to Serve' Learning Expo in Melbourne is supported by CSA (Christian Schools Australia) and CEN (Christian Education National) and will be attended by many varied organisations/missions/churches, as well as **students, staff and leaders** from schools throughout Victoria.

Go to the DARE TO SERVE website, www.daretoserve.net.au for details on the program and speakers.

I am looking forward to schools, missions and churches coming together to be inspired and encouraged through what people are doing in service. When we serve God, lives are changed and communities are transformed.

Catriona Wansbrough

Principal

Presentation Night

Presentation night for 2015 will be held on Tuesday 1st December – please note the change of day and date.

The student's diaries show Monday 30th November for Presentation Night, however, as we are using a different venue (1330, Ferntree Gully Road, Scoresby) we had to change the date.

We apologise for any inconvenience this change may have caused.

Parent Prayer Meeting Friday 8:45am

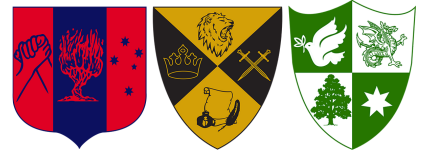
All parents are welcome to join us in prayer every Friday morning after school drop off. This is a wonderful

opportunity to pray for the needs of the school community and to give thanks for all that God has done and how He continues to provide for St Andrews Christian College. Join us in the meeting room next to the school office at 8:45am.

Suzy Song

Prayer Group Coordinator

House Community Points



Barton 333

Deakin 492

Parkes 416



Calendar

November

Week 7A

Monday 16th-20th - VCE 2016
 Orientation Week
 Monday 16th-20th - Yr7 and 8
 Exam Week
 Monday 16th – Whole School
 Assembly 8:55am*
 Tuesday 17th - Dare to Serve
 Expo*
 Wednesday 18th – Junior
 School Athletics*
 Wednesday 18th – VCE
 Valedictory Dinner
 Thursday 19th - Yr4 Science
 Incursion
 Friday 20th - Parent Prayer
 Meeting 8:45am*
 Friday 20th - Yr10 and 11 Last
 Day

Friday 20th – Duke of Ed
 Surfing Excursion

Week 8B

Monday 23rd – Whole
 School Assembly 8:55am*
 Tuesday 24th - Jump Rope for
 Heart
 Wednesday 25th – Yr6
 Market Day
 Friday 27th - Parent Prayer
 Meeting 8:45am*
 Friday 27th - PFA BBQ 5:45-
 6:30pm*
 Friday 27th - Junior School
 Christmas Carols 7pm*

Week 9A

Monday 30th – Whole School
 Assembly 8:55am*
 Monday 30th - Yr8 Activity
 Day

December

Tuesday 1st - Presentation
 Night 7pm*
 Wednesday 2nd-3rd – Yr9
 City Experience
 Thursday 3rd – Yr4
 Graduation - Puffing Billy
 Thursday 3rd - Yr6 Day Out
 Friday 4th - Parent Prayer
 Meeting 8:45am*
 Friday 4th - Last Day of
 School

January 2016

Thursday 28th January - Term

1 Begins

Friday 29th January - Preps

Begin - half day



Parents and Friends Association

Junior Carols - Free BBQ

The PFA will be holding a free sausage sizzle on Friday 27th November prior to the Junior School Christmas Concert. Sausages and bread will be available from 5:45pm to 6:30pm. Drinks will be available to buy.

Come join us as we finish off the year!

Carols Singing Practice

To continue our tradition at St Andrews, all Junior School parents are invited to join the Parents Choir to perform during the Junior School Christmas Concert on Friday 27 Nov 2015 at 7pm at Rembrandts.

Our first and second rehearsals will be at 2/2 Deborah St Kilsyth - 3137 on

Sunday 15 and 22 Nov 2015 from 3-5pm. We encourage all interested parents to attend at least one of the rehearsals. We will have a final rehearsal at 6pm on the day of the concert at Rembrandts.

We will be singing Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee this year. You can use the recordings at this website to learn the harmony for the song <http://calebhugo.com/h>

[ow-to-sing-harmony/joyful-joyful-we-adore-thee/](#)

Please contact Eriana on 0410 080 118 or via email eriana.matondang@monash.edu if you have any questions, otherwise see you at the rehearsals.

Eriana Matondang

Icy Pole Roster 2016

Parents are invited to be part of the Friday Icy Pole Roster for 2016. This is a great way to serve the school, meet other parents and tick off some parent hours.

Parents are rostered on in pairs with two Yr10 students to help also.

If you can help once or twice a term on a Friday over lunchtime please email Andrew Musgrove directly at ajamesm09@gmail.com

Andrew Musgrove

Icy Pole Coordinator

PFA AGM

The PFA AGM was held last Tuesday and the following office bearers were elected:

President: Shaun Beovich
Vice-President: Sally Wade
Secretary: Lesley Goh
Treasurer: Ann Hawthorne

Shaun Beovich

PFA President

Staff Appreciation Morning Tea



Thanks to the many parents who provided food and

helped decorate the school staffroom as we blessed the excellent teachers and staff members with morning tea.

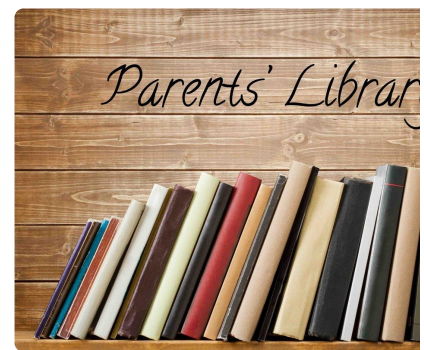
Katherine Muggeridge and Fiona Bligh

School Banking

Please note, as it normally takes about 2 weeks for the rewards to arrive at school, the last day for reward redemption will be **17 November, 2015.**

*Karen Cheung
School Banking Coordinator*

Don't Forget





Senior School

Yr 10 Camp

On Tuesday the 6th of October, the Year 10s travelled to Valley Homestead in Ovens for camp. Ovens is in north-east Victoria, surrounded by some amazing scenery. We left in the morning and arrived at the Homestead late afternoon, and after getting settled in our cabins we began our first activity. The first activity was lateral thinking, which involved working as a team to complete various challenges. Later that night we had a campfire and toasted marshmallows.

On the second day we did bush survival activities and learnt how to build our own fire. We were then sent out in groups with a package of food and had to cook our lunch, which was an interesting experience, to say the least. In the afternoon we did the vertical challenge - which involved climbing up a pole and jumping off it to reach a hoop - and the flying fox. In the evening we had a trivia night, which was a lot of fun and one of my favourite activities on the camp.



On Thursday morning those who wanted to went on a bike ride, some people going the whole way to a small town about 10km away. We came back to the Homestead for lunch, and then in the afternoon we did an obstacle course. After that we had a bit of free time, and some people went in the pool, until later that evening when we had a disco (which was loud).

Friday was our last day, and after packing up our cabins we had our last activity which

was abseiling. Everyone was tired, so the bus ride home was a quiet one! All in all, year 10 camp was a lot of fun, and

definitely one of the highlights of the year.

Ingrid Song 10B



Middle School

Yr 7 Rise to Bollywood

Here is a taste of what our Year 7 students experienced at CERES Community Park.

Exploring the Rainforest

The Year 8 students spent an enriching day at the Dandenong Ranges on 27th October, exploring the

majestic beauty of the rainforest landscape as they learnt about park management strategies and the biological environment. In addition, students investigated the lithosphere, biosphere and the atmosphere of the rainforest. It being a beautiful, sunny day, we also had the wonderful opportunity to enjoy stunning views of Melbourne from high up on Mount Dandenong.

Rajes Krishnan
Yr7-8 Coordinator

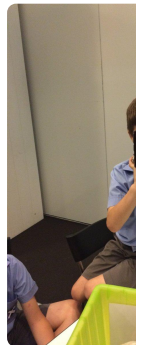




Junior School

Yr 3 Excursion

Yr3 Melbourne Museum
Excursion





Duke of Edinburgh

Duke of Ed Grampians Camp

On the 19th of October, the Year 9 Duke of Ed class went on their one week qualifying expedition to the Grampians.



We had been looking forward to this camp very much all year, so when it was finally time to go, everyone was excited. After going to Cape Otway in March as a practice

camp, we were all prepared for this qualifying one. No one had any negative feelings during any of the exciting activities that we did. Some of these were hiking, swimming, exploring the pinnacle, rock climbing and abseiling. We slept in tents for 3 nights and cooked our own food during those days. During the hikes, there were many steep ups and downs. It was very challenging but also enjoyable and satisfying at the end. My highlight of the whole camp would have to be swimming in the lake and exploring the pinnacle.

To sum up, I think that everyone had a great time and grew closer on this camp. I personally think that it was slightly challenging and lots of fun.

Hewett (Year 9 Student)

At the Duke of Ed Grampians camp, we learnt how to rock climb and abseil on a real rock outdoors. I thank God for the fun we had at camp, spending time together and hiking. I also thank Him for giving people wisdom to share their devotion including myself. My greatest highlight was when we went to the lake and splashed on one person at a time as if we were giving them a shower.

Jason (Year 9 student)



Library News

Library

Library Staff: Lynne Marks,
Joanne Edwards, Wai Peng
Heath

Junior Library

Open at lunchtime on
Mondays.

Middle/ Senior Library:

Open each day at recess and
lunch.

After school:

Mondays, Thursdays and
Fridays until 4pm.
Tuesdays and Wednesdays
until 3.45pm.

Email: library@standrews.vic.edu.au.

Please Note:

There will be no further
borrowing from the Junior
Library this year. If any
students still have books out,
please could they return them
to the library as soon as
possible.

Middle and Senior Library
books and Accelerated
Readers are still available for
borrowing.

New Titles

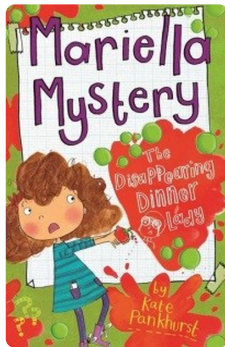
The Dinner lady

investigates Kate Pankhurst

This is the latest in the series

Mariella Mystery

Investigates. (**Junior Fiction**)



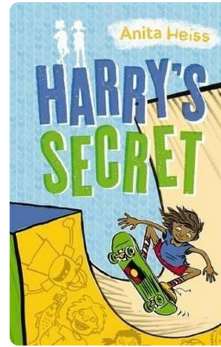
<https://booko.com.au/9781444012347/Mariella-Mystery-The-Disappearing-Dinner-Lady>

Mariella and her friends are preparing for the upcoming school play. During this time the dinner lady at the school disappears. Mariella decides to find out what really happened to her.

It is told in diary form, with plenty of funny illustrations and detective hints and tips throughout.

Harry's Secret Anita

Heiss (**Junior Fiction**)

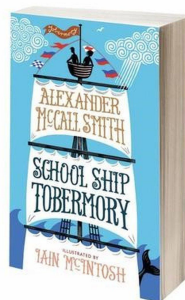


<https://booko.com.au/9781760152024/Harry-s-Secret>

Harry loves art. The problem is that he is afraid of what his family and friends might think if they find out. Then he hears of an art competition and decides to enter. Will his secret be discovered?

School ship

Tobermory Alexander McCall Smith (**Junior Fiction**)

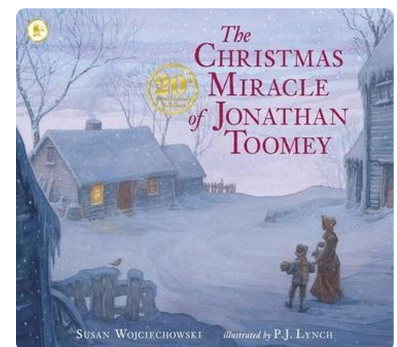


<https://booko.com.au/9781780273334/School-Ship->

Tobermory

Ben and Fee McTavish have spent most of their lives on a submarine. When they have had to go to school, they have stayed with their aunt. However, their aunt has a new job that involves travelling. Their parents also travel a good deal. So now the twins must go to a boarding school. The school selected is a ship. Follow their adventures as the two children adjust to life on a sailing ship.

The Christmas miracle of Jonathan Toomey Susan Wojciechowski (**Picture Story**)



<https://booko.com.au/9781406360387/The-Christmas-Miracle-of-Jonathan-Toomey>

A beautifully illustrated story of a sad and lonely woodcarver who chooses to

live alone. Then one day a young boy and his mother come to him with a request. This request and the subsequent visits by the boy and his mother bring about a miracle in the life of Jonathan Toomey.

Did you know?



important date can be found at:

<https://www.awm.gov.au/commemoration/remembrance/>

To find out more go to:

<http://www.book-adventures.com/2011/12/thursdays-quotable-christas-miracle-of.html>

On Wednesday 11th November, classes paused to think about the significance of Remembrance Day. Details of this very

Lynne Marks
Library Coordinator



Community Notices

Newsletter 11

This section of our newsletter is to give our families information about programs being run by organizations outside of the school which may interest our school families.

These organisations are not endorsed by St Andrews Christian College.

Vaccinations

Has your child received the recommended secondary school vaccinations?

Knox City Council's immunisation team has visited the school three times this year to administer scheduled vaccines.

Yr7

- Human papillomavirus (*Gardasil*) – requires 3 doses
- Chickenpox (*Varivax*)

- Diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough (*Boostrix*)

Free for Year 7 students

Yr8 to 10

- Diphtheria, tetanus,
whooping cough (*Boostrix*)

Free until 31 December 2015

If your child has missed out
on their scheduled vaccines,

please bring them to Council's
public immunisation session
or your GP by 31 December
2015.

If you wanted to have your
child immunised but are

unsure if your child received
these vaccines, please contact
Council's immunisation team
on 9298 8165.